

**FoGTMNERR**  
**Minutes of Board Meeting: Tuesday, March 8, 2005**  
**GTM Reserve – Environmental Education Center**

- I. Carl welcomed the board to the new Environmental Education Center and the meeting Called to order at 5:05 pm
- II. Minutes approval
  - Motion made to approve by Agnes
  - Seconded by Bill P.
  - Approved unanimously
- III. Grand Opening of the EEC
  - Date set for Saturday September 24, 2005 as Ribbon cutting Grand Opening Event
  - Friday September 23, 2005 as date for preview cocktail party.
  - A media event will be held sometime before that for the press to preview the EEC.
  - A Chair is still needed to spearhead Grand Opening planning; All Board members have volunteered to help.
  - A motion made by Gail, seconded by Frank to assist with the Grand Opening and help pay expenses like food and drink that the GTM cannot pay for. Unanimous approval.
- IV. Introduction of Katie Flynn, GTM Volunteer Coordinator
  - GTM Reserve has hired a Volunteer Coordinator - Katie Flynn. She can be reached by phone at 904-461-4054 (EEC # will be 904-823-4500) or by email at [katie.flynn@dep.state.fl.us](mailto:katie.flynn@dep.state.fl.us). It is her job to develop, organize, and manage GTMNERR's volunteer recruitment and training programs and associated supporting materials. Her duties include scheduling of volunteer training opportunities, coordinating Reserve staff involvement with volunteers, and publicity for volunteer opportunities at the Reserve. Katie will also serve as a liaison with the Friends of GTMNERR for volunteer related activities. These activities may include volunteer recognition events, volunteer recruitment, and coordinating volunteer schedules and jobs.
- V. Mass mailing update
  - Frank gave an update about the next mass mailing.
  - Bill made a motion to except the mail options proposed and at a cost of up to \$2000, with Pierre's second and a unanimous vote the motion passed.
  - More discussion is needed on the Business mail out – What the Friends would like to see from the business community.
- VI. Treasures report
  - A Wachovia account has been secured with a fee of \$0.01 - \$0.05 a share. As of 3/8/05

Checking Account balance:	<u>\$32,008.75</u>
Money Market Account balance:	\$245,062.16
Restricted:	<u>-\$207,000.00</u>
Unrestricted:	\$ 38,062.16

VII. Other Business

- Janet mentioned that the Friends would soon be receiving an invoice for the \$207,000 reserved for the construction of the EEC.
- The list of board members and their committees went around for review.

VIII. Meeting adjourn 6:05 pm

- Next meeting will be April 12<sup>th</sup> at GTM – Marineland Office 5pm.