

Alabama Mushroom Society, 501(c)3

5/3/2021 Board Meeting Minutes

In Attendance

President- Allen Carroll

Vice President- Alisha Millican

Form: Zoom Meeting

Treasurer's Report: Still have no access to accounts

Old Business

- AMF
 - Alisha proposes that we find a better location where WE can be making the money off of camping fees and have less regulation regarding collecting permits and park rules.
 - Alisha will contact the Cullman Soil and Water District's Camp Meadowbrook, the FreshWater Land Trust and Cullman Parks and Rec about potentially using their properties and then hopefully can confirm a date before pushing the festival anymore or booking any more speakers.
 - We will center the festival around a large Bioblitz Foray and gear it towards vouchering specimens to contribute to the Auburn Herbarium and therefore, mycology and the future of fungi conservation. We will also have vendors, music/hang out and speakers to try to include the interests of everyone who might want to attend an event like this.
 - Speakers: Jefferson Rogers was approached about being a speaker. Taylor Hayes would likely do a class/presentation about psilocybin from a medical standpoint. Gary Gilbert offered to do a Intro to ID class (1 or 2 hours) and his talk on Mycorrhizal relationships called the Secret Life of Mushrooms: Mycorrhizal relationships in the forest and the Wood Wide Web. Roo Vandegrift expressed interest, as did Jay Justice. Alan Rockefeller may be interested as well.
 - We checked the domain www.alabamamushroomfestival.com and it is unregistered. If Claudia or whomever had it before, it expired. 2 years cost \$30 so we decided to go ahead and reserve it. We will link it to the AMF page of the new website when it launches.
- Bank
 - Allen has tried to call the bank guy, no answer, no vm. Alisha will try and email him and if no answer, will just drop in next time she is in Birmingham.
 - We need to do our taxes but can't due to no access to the account

New Business

- Bylaws
 - Per our bylaws, we are required to have available to the public certain IRS forms, a “conflict of interest policy” and financial statements. We do not have a Conflict of Interest Policy. We need to figure out what that is and make one and supply these other documents as soon as possible. Allen will speak to his accountant about these forms.
- Instagram
 - Who is running the AMS Instagram account? -->Tim Pfiffer
 - Alisha will contact him about getting the log in so we can post more often
 - Alisha has set up an AMF Instagram acct.

Action Items

- Alisha will contact places to find a new AMF location
- Alisha will email the bank guy and Allen will continue trying to call him.
- Allen will contact his accountant about our taxes and IRS forms
- Alisha will contact Tim about AMS Instagram login.