## Friends of the Wapsi Center Minutes Meeting – Thursday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2010 Wapsi River Center

Attendees: Connie and Dave Huber, Mike Granger, Dottie Wala, Carol Rogers, Bob Bryant, and Erma Wiszmann

Minutes: Approved as mailed.

**Treasurer's Report:** \$9082.01 current balance. Pop money to deposit \$148.95. Membership from Carolyn Kimple received.

**Staff Report:** Mike reported there is a plan to move Pop machine to the Center. Also some discussion about storing the pop and having mice walk on the cans. Erma moved to have the pop machine stay where it is.  $2^{nd}$  by Dottie. Motion carried. Dave Huber has spent \$55.42 out of pocket for the supplies to repair the table saw. Mike made a motion to reimburse Dave for the \$55.42 spent.  $2^{nd}$  by Carol Rogers. Motion Carried. Erma Motioned that all expenditures be pre-approved BEFORE commitments are made.  $2^{nd}$  by Carol. Motioned carried. Mike presented a bill addressed to Scott County in the amount of \$400.00 for mice. Carol moved that the Friends NOT pay this bill. Motion carried.

Bob suggested our mission be received and affirmed. The friends agreed. Mike will place the issue on next month's agenda.

**Staff Report:** Road conditions are improved and busses are getting through. The Cherry Tree in front of Red Tail has been cut down. It had only one branch left. The work day went well. More people came than pre registered. Ferns were uncovered. We got rid of the mulch pile. The burn pile will stay where it is. Mike held a kite flying at the Scott County Park old AEA nature center. Lisa's Egg Dying class was cancelled due to the Road. 30 to 40 people had been signed up. Tomorrow is kid's day the Earth Week Fair. Scouts can come and earn their Weather Badge. It starts at 8:30 A.M. Saturday is open to the public. Dave Murcia and Amy are the Earth Week Fair tonight. Upcoming April 22<sup>nd</sup> is Prairie Burn. On May 1<sup>st</sup> there is a Wild Flower hike in the morning. People are to brig food to Grill. Attendees have asked for bathrooms. More accessible when they are not near the center. There are former Boy Scout outhouses: one down from the pine ring and one across the road, one at Elm and one a Vincent. Wapsi float dedication was led by Clinton County Conservation board. The Wapsi Center Wants to Piggy Back on July 24<sup>th</sup> at 2 P.M. Friends of the Wapsi will provide lunch. Friends object to it to being assumed they will provide lunch. Friends want to be called in advance for an okay. Erma moved for a letter to be drafted to Director Dave Murcia, requiring him and staff to contact Friends about help BEFORE commitments made in our name. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Connie. Vote was unanimous. Erma and Carol will work together on the letter. Swan Display smells like moth balls and Friends questioned whether the Great Horned Owl's health could be at risk. Erma reported that some previous ex- boy scouts dropped in and wanted us to put out adds requesting information about the former days of the Wapsi Center as a Scout Camp – they did not offer any help – would just like to see it happen.

NEXT MEETING – Thursday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 P.M. at the Wapsi River Center