

**River Ranch Friends Group  
Annual Meeting 2021-2022  
Main Street Social, 1651 Loop 332, Liberty Hill, Texas  
September 15, 2022  
7:00 p.m.**

friendsofriverranch.org  
P.O. Box 256, Liberty Hill, TX 78642

**Attendance**

FRRCP Board of Directors

Dave Armstrong, President\*  
Wayne Collins, Member-at-Large\*  
Kathy Corbett, Vice-President\*  
Mary Dobbelaere, Treasurer\*  
Lori Franz, Secretary\*  
Betsy Murphy  
Mike Rodgers  
Sue Wiseman, Member-at-Large\*

Wilco Park Advisors:

Russell Fishbeck, Senior Director of Parks  
Emsud Horozovic, Parks Asst. Director  
Keith Greer, Parks Operations Manager  
Robert Moss, Park Supervisor, River Ranch  
Sam Gibson, Asst. Office Administrator, River Ranch

Absent:

Michelle Butcher

\*Executive Committee Members

Membership in Attendance (00):

23 Members  
23 Guests

**Mission Statement**

The Friends of River Ranch County Park mission is to advocate and support the park through information, interpretation, and assistance in the operation and conservation of the park.

**Vision**

Interpretation  
Financial support  
Maintenance and Conservation activities

Operations assistance  
Advocacy

**President's Report: Dave Armstrong**

Dave called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and welcomed everyone. He then introduced Williamson County Precinct 2 Commissioner Cynthia Long who welcomed and thanked the crowd for their interest in River Ranch.

Dave presented the current Friends of River Ranch Executive Committee and the three current Directors who were previously appointed. He also acknowledged the helpful advice of staff and volunteers of Berry Springs Park & Preserve.

Russell Fishbeck recognized the Parks Department employees who were present.

**Minutes of the 2021 Annual Meeting: Lori Franz, Secretary**

After Lori spoke briefly, the 2021 Annual Minutes were approved.

**2021 Treasurer's Report: Mary Dobbelaere**

Mary gave the current Treasurer Report for the period beginning 09/09/2021 and ending 09/14/2022. With no additions or corrections, the Treasurer Report was approved as submitted.

Dave explained the formation of five Board Committees and then invited three of these committees to present.

**Membership Committee: Wayne Collins**

Wayne explained the Membership categories (Individual, Patron, and Lifetime) and the term of membership is valid until the first anniversary of the date on which the park officially opens to the public. He then described the two Donor categories (Partners and Sponsors) and asked a spokesperson from the three Sponsors to address the audience. He reminded people of ways to join.

**Native Plant Society: Sue Wiseman**

Sue spoke of the work begun at the park to identify existing native plants and the work that the Society does in general.

**Goodwater Chapter, Texas Master Naturalists: Mike Rogers**

Mike provided information about becoming a Master Naturalist and some of the work being done at the Park.

**Sun City Hiking Club: Bill Corbett**

Bill spoke of the more than 2,000 hours of work on laying and clearing trails at the park and recognized those in attendance who contributed.

**Communications Committee: Kathy Corbett**

Kathy explained the function of the Communications committee and reported on behalf of Michelle Butcher. She reminded everyone that information can be shared with Members via the Website, E-mail, Instagram, and Facebook.

**Projects and Activities: Betsy Murphy**

Betsy explained that the ideas currently in the planning stages include: Member Social Events, Interpretive Center involvement, Public Educational Programs for Adults and Children, and Guided Hikes. She spoke to the two ways one can volunteer: via the Friends or through the Park staff.

**Park Updates: Russell Fishbeck and Robert Moss**

Russell spoke of the Williamson County Parks system and the work being done at River Ranch to hopefully open in 2023. Robert further described the park and work currently being done by the contractor to meet that goal.

**Election of the 2021-2022 Executive Committee: Karen Shawhan**

In accordance with the FRRCP Bylaws, a three-member Nominating Committee, consisting of Dave Armstrong, Dave Schunk and Karen Shawhan was appointed to compile a slate of Nominees for election as the six-member 2022-2023 Executive Committee. With no further nominees given, the process was closed, and with a vote of a quorum of the membership, the following six candidates were approved for the FRRCP 2022-2023:

**President: Dave Armstrong**  
**Vice-President: Kathy Corbett**  
**Secretary: Lori Franz**  
**Treasurer: Wayne Collins**  
**At-Large Member: Mike Rogers**  
**At-Large Member: Sue Wiseman**

**Call for New Business:** none

**Call for Further Business:** none

Dave thanked everyone for attending, encouraged members to watch the FRRCP and Parks websites for updates, and mentioned that the official minutes and treasurers report will be posted on the website. The Second Annual Meeting was officially adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Lori Franz, Secretary