

Friends of Anastasia General Meeting – Thursday October 9, 2025 – 6pm Water Sports Classroom

President: Rich Gallik – Present Secretary: Louise Gallik – Present Vice President: Position OPEN Treasurer: Katrina Denny – Present

Board Members - Present - Andris Duffy, Jessica Glenn, Theresa Nguyen, Mary Boutte, Cathie

Forier, Ann Sokol, Mary Boutte

Board Members (absent) - Bridget Blake

Park - Michael Watkins

Membership-Robert Edwards, David Stone, Judy Stone

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM.

Mission Statement: To generate supplemental resources which will provide increased recreational opportunities and further enhance protection of the natural and cultural resources of Anastasia State Park. To provide an environment which benefits our community and all visitors.

Minutes from September 11, 2025 were approved.

President's comments-

Thank you to all who attend our Monthly Board Meetings. We appreciate your ideas and volunteer enthusiasm. We have an information table monthly at the Amp Saturday Market on the 4th Saturday of the month and at other events throughout the year. Our volunteers share information about FOA membership, monthly nature hikes, bird walks, our goals to enhance the Park and the cultural and natural resources of Anastasia State Park.

Mary has offered to serve as our VP – the Board unanimously approved. Thank you Mary for volunteering.

We had our Friends Table at National Night Out on Tuesday Oct 7 – Thank you to our volunteers – We purchased suckers to hand out {\$23.41 suckers} as well as some new stickers that Michelle contributed. The kids loved our spinning wheel game!

We will be paying \$2,475.00 for the NEW electrical panel at the Beach Restroom. It is rusted and definitely needs to be replaced.

We purchased ink for Ann's printer for membership @ \$132.00.

We sent in our \$35.00 check and registration forms for the December 6th St. Augustine Christmas Parade. We thank Cathy for organizing this event and being the volunteer coordinator. We will decorate a State Park truck. Theme to be determined.

The Florida State Parks Annual Meeting will be a ZOOM Meeting on Wednesday October 29th at 12 noon – Michael will check to see if Michelle is available to setup a ZOOM meeting at the Admin Conference Office for those who do not have access at home.

Park update: Michael – This October at the Park has been a quiet one. Doing maintenance and repairs. The high surf and windy weather has kept Park visitors at a minimum.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Katrina reports on September 30, 2025 we had \$109,328.57 in our Friends account.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- a. Playground: THANKS TO ALL The ADA Playground fund is still at \$47,217.46 (We keep track of funds spent on a spreadsheet no additional charges since August).
- b. Membership Report: 208 (Regular 133, Life 64, Corp & Nonprofit 11) Ann removed
 20 who had not renewed membership Thank you Ann for doing membership!
- c. Volunteers: Thank you to all volunteers.
- d. Turtle Program 2025: Bridget- Turtle Season is over.
- e. ESR 2025 Saturday November 15, 2025 registration is available at DonsFriend.com. Silent Auction is Friday, November 14 during Package Pickup and Saturday, November 15 during the Run.. We currently have received restaurant gift cards from Seafood Kitchen, Beachside Diner, Salt Life, Columbia a 2-night stay at Guy Harvey Resort & tickets for concerts at The AMP plus many gift baskets. We are contacting more restaurants for donations.

f. Please contact Jessica if you are interested in volunteering for the Endless Summer Run.

NEW BUSINESS - Amp Market Saturday October 25th ** 8 - 12:30

ACIENT CITY KIDS DAY OCTOBER 25, 2025 – Mary will head this program.

Christmas Parade December 6, 2025 - participants requested - Contact Cathie

NEXT MEETING - NO November 13th meeting {ESR is November 14 & 15}. – We will meet on December 11th, 2025, 6 pm. Talked about having a potluck for the meeting. Working on the details.

OTHER BUSINESS- Wednesday October22, 2025 Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon at Anastasia Watersports

Noon to 1:30. Come early and participate in some Halloween crafts. Please RSVP by October 19th. Michelle.Schenck@ FloridaDEP.gov

Meeting was adjourned at 7:00pm