# Friends of the Forest Preserve District of DuPage County Development Committee Meeting Minutes

Call to Order Roll Call Attendees: Diane Addante, Audra Bonnet, Jeannine Kannegiesser, Larry Larson, Carl Schultz, David Stang

# **Succession planning**

Jeannine asked attending board members to consider existing leadership roles and whether he/she wishes to serve as chair, vice chair, treasurer, or secretary. Proposed slate will be presented at board meeting on September 26. Slate to be approved at annual meeting on November 14.

# Giving DuPage Days and board member participation

The Friends are again participating in Giving DuPage Days from May 1-5 to raise funds in support of Willowbrook Wildlife Center's operations. Audra created a fundraising page for the Friends and for each of the board of directors to participate as peer fundraisers. She reviewed the Friends' pages and provided a brief tutorial on how to makes updates to a director's page. She will be providing the instructions to make the updates, language and dates for social media posts, and suggestions for board member outreach to his/her own contacts.

### **Retreat planning**

Jeannine and Diane will be coordinating the retreat planning. She asked for topics to be covered at the retreat, if members had input.

### **Meetings with prospects**

Jeannine and Bob will be meeting with a corporate community partner for Willowbrook Wildlife Center. A grant application will also be submitted for consideration.

### New business

Jeannine and Larry are coordinating a phone meeting with a local program personality about a future donor engagement program.

Old business None

Adjourned at 4:55 p.m.