

Midland Walkabout Club Minutes of May 3, 2021

The meeting was called to order by Diana Smart, President.

In attendance: Bonnie, Laurel, Agnes, Dorise, Kenneth, Janice, Gary, Carolyn, and Diana

The minutes of the April 5 meeting were accepted.

Treasurer Kenneth Rust discussed the financial report. We have a current balance of \$1,058.75 with expenses of \$277.50 and income of \$117.00. For the first quarter of 2021, there were 46 walkers.

Diana thanked all the Walkabouts who helped with the Celebrate Walking event April 17 at Midland College. Three new people participated, in spite of the chilly weather, and one of those joined during the event: Laurel Henry.

Our May walk is slated for Saturday May 8 at the Monahans Sandhills State Park. We plan to meet at 7:30am behind JumBurrito at Midland Park Mall for carpool/caravan. If not carpooling, then please plan to meet the group at the Visitor Center parking lot. Later, we might drive into Monahans for lunch.

We had a great turnout of 13 people for our Stanton walk on April 10. Megan Miller accompanied as a guest and has since joined the Walkabouts.

Saturday May 22 we are planning an extra walk. The group discussed whether to go to Texas Tech in Lubbock with the idea of scouting out a new walk, or to do one of the established walks in San Angelo. The group voted to visit San Angelo, doing either the Concho River Walk or the Fort Concho/Water Lily Collection Walk. For the San Angelo walk, we plan to meet at 7:00am for carpool.

The Racquet Club walk which had been scheduled for July 10 has been moved to July 31. In April we voted to participate in the Midland Health Wellness Week at the end of July, so we will do the Racquet Club walk on July 31 instead. Diana has signed us up with Midland Health to be part of their event.

The West Texas Trail Walkers (WTTW) will walk in the Big Bend region October 5-10. Information on lodging, hikes, and other details can be found online. [West Texas Trail Walkers](#)

Diana discussed the club's display case located at Windlands Park. It needs regular attention to make sure there are brochures available in the holder and the display inside the case is updated now and then. Carolyn and Gary offered to check on the display case in late May or early June, then members can take turns checking on the display in subsequent months. Several keys to the case are available.

The t-shirt situation was discussed. Diana has visited 3 different companies to check prices and other details. It was decided that we won't deal with polo shirts, just regular short or long-sleeved t-shirts with the same design we have used before. It looks like the price will probably be under \$20 per shirt.

Diana has investigated the possibility of associating again with Meet-Up, which we had used a few years ago. She signed us up for a \$50 trial membership of 6 months and paid the initial fee herself. Thanks Diana. After 6 months, then the price rises to \$100 every 6 months, so we will carefully monitor the participation generated by Meet-Up.

Agnes Biggs joined during the meeting. Agnes had participated in the Celebrate Walking event April 17.

There was no further business or questions, so the meeting was adjourned.