



ASSOCIATION OF PHILADELPHIA TOUR GUIDES GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING SEPTEMBER 14, 2011, 7:30 PM FORT MIFFLIN ON THE DELAWARE

Prior to the meeting, at the end of the Fort Mifflin tour, it was unanimously voted to award Beth Beatty, Executive Director of Fort Mifflin, an honorary APT membership.

The general meeting was called to order by Bob Skiba, President, at 7:33 pm on Sept 14, 2011 at Fort Mifflin.

1. Last Month's Meeting minutes were accepted by the group in attendance.

2. Treasurer's Report

Del reported over \$4,000 in the APT account, mostly from exam fees and handbook sales.

3. Committee Reports

Membership: No report this month.

Great Tour: Bob asked the committee members to stand and thanked them for all the work behind the scenes. PR work is in progress. Brochures have been created for members to hand out to people they know. Color brochures will be available the day of the Great Tour. Don't forget to encourage people to register at: 2011aptgreattour.eventbrite.com

Sarah Richardson asked for volunteers to lead the difference tour phases - we need 3 for each staging area with 1 backup. There will be some remuneration for those who volunteer to lead tours.

- Contact Sara Richardson (sjrich@verizon.net) if you would like to volunteer and did not sign up at the meeting.
- Contact Del Conner (Del@DrPhysick.com) if you would like to get brochures to distribute.
- We are also looking for someone to coordinate the staging areas. Contact Bob Skiba (bobskiba@verizon.net) if you are interested.

Events and Education:

Workshop: *The African-American Experience in Philadelphia*. To be held at Mother Bethel Church, November 17, 6:00 pm. Cost: Members - \$10 / non-members - \$20.

CPR Certification: A CPR certification class will be scheduled sometime in January. Contact Bob Skiba (bobskiba@verizon.net) if you have any contacts or ideas as to who can conduct the classes. APT will subsidize some of the cost of training for APT members.

Upcoming Speakers: Check the Web Site for upcoming events and speakers for the rest of 2011.

Certification:

The committee reported that there will be one full set of workshop sessions in the spring and that two shorter workshops, followed by exams, will be provided in the interim on the following dates this fall:

Workshop	Thu Sep 29 - 10 am
Exam	Thu Oct 6 - 2 pm
Workshop	Thu Nov 10 - 10 am
Exam	Thu Nov 17 - 2:00 pm

Cost is \$50.00 for both workshop & exam.

Contact Ed Mauger (philaonfoot@gmail.com) to teach at the workshops. There will be a small remuneration for those that conduct the sessions.

4. APT corporate changes

Membership dues for 2012 will increase to \$30.00. Members who RENEW no later than Dec. 14 can renew at \$25.00.

Vice President will be added to the Executive Board. This is a verbal notice that By-law changes will be made. These changes will be available in writing by the October meeting. Voting will be in December.

5. NFTGA Conference

There is a National Federation of Tour Guides Conference in January, in San Francisco. Bob has been asked to speak and would like to attend but will need some financial assistance. He will get more information and will bring info back to the board and general membership. The conference is only once every 2 years and would be a great opportunity to exchange ideas and create national publicity for APT.

6. Member Announcements

Bartram Gardens is hold their annual Cider Festival this Saturday, Sept. 17 at 3:30 pm. To make reservations: <http://bartramciderafternoon.eventbrite.com>.

Elfreth's Alley is holding a Beer Fest on Oct. 15, 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm See www.elfrethsalley.org for tickets.

APT MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES ARCHIVE

- Download APT March 9, 2011 Meeting Minutes [here](#)
- Download APT April 20, 2011 Meeting Minutes [here](#)
- Download APT August 10, 2011 Meeting Minutes [here](#)