

Manatee Eco Tourism Association

META

12 November 2016

General Meeting Procedures

In consideration of others, we ask that you follow a few basic rules:

1. Please turn cell phones off, or place on vibrate. If you must make a call, please step outside in order to not interrupt the meeting.
2. If you must speak to someone, please speak softly or go outside in order to not interrupt the meeting.
3. Personal comments/remarks, directed to the Board, Members or the public are not allowed and are considered out of order.

There will be two Public/Member Input opportunities. At the beginning and end of each the meeting. Anyone may speak on the topic of their choosing for up to three minutes.

Meetings

Call to Order: Parliamentarian

Adopt Agenda: Parliamentarian John Moved, Mike 2nd

Introduction of Guests/Visitors

Approval of August 2016 Minutes Marty Moved, John 2nd

Public / Member Input (3 minutes):

Discussed the USCG meeting, and Save the Manatee Guidelines

Old Business:

- 1) META Conservation Day over 50 participants including Duke Engery
- 2) Guide and Captain Training: over 115 participants
- 3) US FWS Refuge Day 10/22 light turn out over all, all boat used were META shops
- 4) 501(c) 3 Application being submitted tomorrow.

Committee Reports:

1. **Finance:** Marty Senetra
2. **Legal:** Mary Morgan
3. **Science:** John Spann
4. **Membership:** Charlie Slider
5. **Public Relations:** Mike Engiles

New Business:

1. **Nominations for Vice President** Charlie
2. **Nominations for Parliamentarian** Bryan
3. **Nominations for Secretary** Jessi
4. **Motion:** META send a letter supporting an increase in the bed tax from 3% to 5% Mike Moved, John 2nd
5. **Seasonal Museum:** looking for artifacts, pictures, anecdotes.
6. **Ecology Week:** looking for talks on ecology, manatees, scuba for 5th graders. 12/5

