

Board Meeting March 18, 2026 Onondaga Friends Association

The meeting started at 6:09 pm, and Bobby (online), Sandy, Josh, Theresa, Chloe, Rex, and Lori were in attendance.

Secretary Minutes were read by Josh. Rex moved to accept, Theresa seconded. All accepted the minutes as read.

Treasurer's Report: Rex gave the total amount as \$15,944.40.

Officer elections were held, and the new slate of officers are:
Bobby Swain - President; Lori Moore - Vice-President; Rex Rohrer - Treasurer;
Lillian Collins - Secretary. Rex moved to accept, Josh seconded, and all approved.

Ed arranged the purchase of the chosen mattresses from Drop Box, and Rex went in and paid for them. Ed picked them up and brought back for seasonal housing.

We discussed getting new and better wildlife cameras for the park.

Rex presented the 2026 Budget Proposal. Lori moved to accept, Theresa seconded, and all accepted the proposal as written.

OFA will provide lunches for the upcoming guide training, and Chloe will present OFA to the new guides.

Bobby will offer mock cave rescue training on June 27. Bobby will need to use the cave helmets, rescue equipment, and assistants. The Park will provide a flow chart. Bobby will bring in EMS and the Fire Department.

Bobby discussed providing basic preparedness, on a week day, to guides and Cathedral Cave guides.

Everyone discussed the Events Calendar 2026. Lori will reach out to Thom with the Flea Bitten Dawgs for the August 1st date and will find another musician for the June 27th date. She will also reach out to Bliss Hippy for meditation in the cave on July 11th. We discussed needing to keep the cost down, because Lori will not be able to write grants for music this year.

Sandy will send event applications to Lori which she will fill out and send back.

Everyone saw (and admired!) Chloe's sticker design for those who survive the Off-Trail Cathedral Cave Tours. Everyone agreed it would be fun for people to receive these, and the purchase was approved.

Chloe gave more information on the (preferred) Echo Meter Touch 2, a bat sonar detection device, and everyone agreed it would complement interpretive programs at the park as well as biological surveys. This purchase was approved.

There was discussion about raising event prices for the off-trail tours and the cave music events, but nothing specific was decided upon.

Staff and volunteers have been cleaning up after floods. They are also hoping to hire more maintenance employees.

No other announcements.

Next meeting is the third Wednesday, April 15th, 2026 at 6 pm.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm.