

**Indiana Volkssport Association  
December 12, 2015 – 1:00 p.m.  
Hyatt Regency Hotel, Indianapolis, IN**

The meeting was called to order and president Cheryl Elser welcomed those in attendance.

In attendance were 5 officers:

Cheryl Elser	INVA president
Cliff Terry	INVA vice president
Bob Buzolicvh	INVA treasurer
Liz Winsley	INVA secretary
Tom Martin	INVA member-at-large

And 5 clubs were represented:

Bill Thorne	Goodtime Trailblazers
Charlie Frisinger	Hoosier Hikers
Carolyn Armacost	Indy "G" Walkers
Liz Winsley	Three Rivers Strollers
Dennis Fritz	Whitewater Valley Walkers

Reading of the minutes from the August meeting at Brown County State Park were suspended as all had received them prior to this meeting. Minutes were accepted.

Treasurer's report was handed out. Balance is \$7,680.53. Charlie moved and Dennis seconded we accept the report, subject to audit.

AVA Strategic Planning Report: Surveys were sent out. No results are published yet. Will find out more after NEC meeting in January.

NEC Mid-America Regional News: A new club has been formed – the Gateway Milers, Belleview, IL.

Overview of the Mid-America Conference, Oct. 30-Nov. 1, in Columbus, OH. Consensus was it was a very nice conference. The accommodations and walks were great. Unfortunately, there was a loss in revenue due to some miscalculations.

Next year's Mid-America conference will be held Oct 28-30 in Plainfield, IN. There will be a meeting for the committee on Jan. 18 at Perkins at 4:00.

After Action Report - Versailles State Park - Sept. 24, 67 participants.

Cliff reported on the meet-ups. The INVA Main group has had 414 members in 68 meet-ups since its beginning in March of 2014. Evansville has had 88 members in 24 meet-ups and Fort Wayne has had 164 members in 12 meet-ups, both since January of 2015. Good idea to use to increase year-round attendance.

Cliff also announced the deactivation of the Girl Scout Program. He feels it was a success, but so much work is needed for this program. They had 16 Girl Scouts do 6 walks.

2016 Event Schedule: Jan. 2, 1:00 p.m., there will be a walk at Paynetown (by Lake Monroe). This is a new YR event. We were reminded to check our walk boxes for supplies, flyers, insert cards, etc.

Other Business:

All E-filing and AVA reports are current.

Old US 27 Route Special Program - St. Ignace, MI to Miami, FL

Fort Custer Walk - summer 2016. This is between Augusta and Battle Creek, MI, where Don Vartanian is buried. Michigan Pathfinders, Tom Martin, will work on this event.

The next INVA meeting will be held April 23 at the Soho in Carmel. There will be a group (meet-up) walk prior to the meeting. (*Walk will begin at 10:00 a.m. and the meeting will be at 1:00 p.m. in SoHo Cafe - purchase lunch there.*)

Respectfully submitted,  
Liz Winsley, secretary