Minutes of Friends of Snow Canyon State Park Directors' Meeting
April 9, 2026

Place: Snow Canyon State Park

Attending Board Members: Lori Capshaw, Ellen Nathan, Barry Neff, Linda Neff, Sandy Nelson, Don Drabant, Jenean Campos, Kristen Comella
On line: Alan Risenhoover

The meeting was called to order by Lori Capshaw at 3:00.

Part I. Written / Oral Reports

1. Minutes: The minutes of the March 12, 2026 meeting were approved by Ellen Nathan and seconded by Don Draband and it was unanimously approved.

2. Treasurer's Report: We have $88,000 in the bank and the report will come out next mmonth as Linda was on vacation. A motion was made by Linda Neff to remove Dick Coe from the bank account and add Alan Risenhooven. It was seconded by Ellen Nathan and it was unanimously approved.
3. Membership Report: It will be sent out this week as Barry was on vacation.

4. Park update: The West Canyon vault toilet was installed on April 7th. They will work on the concrete sidewalk in January of next year. The new brochures have arrived and we were each given one in the meeting. Kristin Comella is asking for:

- 1. $9,000 for park brochure reprint

- 2. $400 for Chuckwalla trailhead improvements
- 3. $500 for garbage / recycling can sign replacement project
- 4. $7,000 for part-time Seasonal Naturalist

$16,900 Total Request

Sandy Nelson made a motion to approve the expenses and Jeanean Campos seconded it and it was unanimously approved.

5. Events: Lori's written report attached as an addendum. Lori is working with John Yoman for a Yoga event in April.

6. Trail Stewards' Report: Jenean's written report attached. Next training for Trail Stewards will be in September. We have 10 people on the waiting list.

7. Facebook: Jenean will coordinate with Lori to post FOSC events that are open to the public as well as no-reservation Park events.

8. Docents Report: Don said there are 11 docents who have put in 82 hours YTD and in March they put in 42 hours. Jenean Campos will work with Alan Risenhoover to get name tags for the docents.

9. Web Report: Written report from Sandy attached.

10. Mail-chimp: Alan Risenhoover has the annual report out and on the web site.

11. Fund-raising: Don Drabant and Sandy Nelson made the presentation to the Snow Canyon Retirement Community on 3/19. They found out that the home has about 60 people and 15 of them are in the memory unit. It was a 30 minute presentation.

Part II. FOSC Business Updates.

1. Board vacancies: Lisa Kindred was not at the meeting but was voted in as a new board member. She was nominated

by Lori Capshaw and seconded by Don Drabant and it was unanimously approved.

2. Urban Dark Sky designation: FOSC will have a table at the event the Park sponsors to celebrate its Urban Dark Sky designation on April 18th from 9:30 am to 1:30 pm. Lori Capshaw asked for two to set up and take the first shift and then two more for the second shift and to take down. Lori will also arrange for cookies from Harmons, as a give-away snack.

3. Bike Racks: Lori suggested that FOSC donate some new bike racks as that activity is growing in the Park. Jesse said the Park staff has been talking about this and deferred to Kristen.

4. Kristen Comella is working on the Donor Recognition Board design and we were given several ideas to review. This continues to be a work in progress.

5. Don Drabant will be meeting and hiking with some representatives of the Kish Foundation on April 24th. He would like to consider a possible lunch on April 25th.

The meeting adjourned at 4:05.
Next meeting on May 14th at 3:00 at Park Headquarters.

Written Reports

WEB REPORT (Sandy)

Just for "fun" I decided to try the AI assist in Google Analytics for this month's report. I have pasted the results below.
1.On my non AI side of things, the changes I made are:
2.Removed Wilderness Treking logo
3.Enlarged Black Desert logo

4.Changed some verbiage and images on NEWS page
5.Added previous minutes after they were approved last meeting.
Plan to go back to my non AI review of stats next month.
Active users
Mar 10–Apr 8, 2026
Active users
396
The daily trend of active users shows a peak of 32 users on March 16, 2026, and a low of 5 users on April 8, 2026.
Daily Trend of Active users
Mar 10–Apr 8, 2026
15Mar222905Apr010203040
Your top countries by active users were:

- United States: 275
- Singapore: 89
- China: 16

Top 10 Country by Active users
Mar 10–Apr 8, 2026

COUNTRY	ACTIVE USERS
United States	275
Singapore	89
China	16
Germany	6
Netherlands	3
(not set)	2
Canada	2
United Kingdom	2
Brazil	1
Indonesia	1

Note: Data for today may be incomplete due to standard processing time

EVENTS (Lori)
Previous events: Previous events:

- Chuckwalla Spring Cleanup, March 18, smaller turnout but work was accomplished. Not sure if there is a trend here for the "work parties" or if it is just un-lucky draw with weather and competing events.
- The Secret Lives of Wildflowers, Wednesday, April 8, 2026, 9a.m. – 11a.m., Scout Cave/Johnson Canyon parking lot. Great turnout and Kristen delighted us with tales of the romantic escapades of desert flora.

Upcoming proposed events:

- Urban Park Night Sky Designation Event, Saturday, April 18.Cookies will be coming from Harmon's as there is a significant cost savings over Digby's. Lori will deliver them to Park Headquarters on Friday afternoon. Jenean and Sandy are available to help and will coordinate the set up. Ellen and Lori will join for the second half of the event (hopefully earlier) and will work on disassemble.
- Yoga in the Park with John Yohman, Upper Galoot, late April.

Trail Steward Report - March 2026 (Jenean)

SPECIAL PROJECT: March 16th, 9 AM Johnson Canyon Trailhead Seasonal Closure of the Johnson Canyon Trail
It was a beautiful morning and we had quite a turnout – including folks who didn't sign up. The camaraderie, opportunity to learn and most importantly helping to preserve what is so special about this Park is worth its weight in gold.

TRAIL OF THE MONTH: Butterfly Trail
Dons message to the Trail Stewards was that this trail will take a lot of abuse especially during the "spring break" season. He

asked that everyone try to get in at least one visit to this trail during the month of March. He felt that we needed to focus on the rock work and trail alignment over the entire length of the trail, particularly between the base of the slick rock area at the Petrified Dunes where all the trees are, and northward to the Butterfly and beyond.

HIKE WITH JESSE: March 27 at 9 AM - Hidden Pinion & Wild Flowers of Snow Canyon

We saw early flowers and buds. We moved slowly and noticed SO much more than any of us ever had on that hike. It was a lovely hike and Jesse is a great guide.

DONS COMMS

• Spring Break coverage in the Park from Mid-March through Mid-April

• Spring Break for Washington County will be March 9th-16th. He is asked for everyone to put in a few extra hours.