I. Call to Order

President Wehrli called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Kendall County Board Room.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Invocation

Commissioner Prochaska offered an invocation for the meeting.

IV. Roll Call

Commissioners Cullick, Gilmour, Gryder, Prochaska, Purcell, Shaw, and Wehrli all were present.

V. Approval of Agenda

President Wehrli informed Commission that the meeting would be suspended and reconvened for the purpose of holding an executive session following the County board meeting. Commissioner Gryder made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Cullick. All, aye. Opposed, none. Motion passed unanimously.

VI. Citizens to Be Heard

No public comments were offered by those in attendance.

VII. Approval of Minutes

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Commissioner Cullick made a motion to approve the meeting minutes for the Commission meeting of July 21, 2015; the Finance Committee meeting of July 16, 2015; and the Committee of the Whole meeting on July 15, 2015 as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Shaw. All, aye. Opposed, none. Motion passed unanimously.
VIII. **Approval of Claims in an Amount Not-to-Exceed $13,817.18.**

Commissioner Cullick made a motion to approve the claims list in the amount of $13,817.18. Seconded by Commissioner Prochaska.

Roll call: Commissioners Cullick, Gilmour, Gryder, Prochaska, Purcell, Shaw, and Wehrli, aye. Opposed, none.

Commissioner Davidson entered the meeting at 6:03 p.m.

IX. **Motion Approving the Sale of the Ellis Lesson Horse, Jazz, to Tammy Heere of Herscher, Illinois in the amount of $2,000.**

Commissioner Cullick made a motion to approve the sale of Jazz to Tammy Heere of Herscher, Illinois in the amount of $2,000. Seconded by Commissioner Prochaska.

President Wehrli stated that the equestrian center staff are recommending the sale of Jazz to a private individual for $2,000 as part of efforts to manage the herd for offering beginning rider lessons.

Commission discussed the current status of the herd.

Commissioner Koukol inquired into how many horses are owned by the District. Director Guritz stated that the District owns 7 horses, which includes one miniature horse. Sale of Jazz will reduce the herd count to 6, with 4 of these available for supporting the lessons program.

Commissioner Davidson inquired into whether we would be purchasing or finding a replacement horse. Director Guritz stated that any additions to the herd would be brought before Commission for consideration.

Commissioner Gilmour inquired into why Jazz was recommended for sale. Director Guritz stated that one of the challenges with beginning rider programs is that you need horses suitable for beginning riders. Jazz has a tendency to stop short, increasing the chances for beginning riders to lose their balance and fall. Many of the incident reports that are received involve this issue.

Roll call: Commissioners Cullick, Davidson, Gilmour, Gryder, Prochaska, Purcell, Shaw, and Wehrli, aye. Opposed, none.
X. **Motion Approving the Issuance of Procurement Credit Cards to Emily Dombrowski, Environmental Education Coordinator, and Megan Gessler, Natural Beginnings Manager, both with a Maximum Single Purchase Limit of $250.00 and a Monthly Combined Purchases Limit of $500.00.**

Commissioner Cullick made a motion to approve the issuance of procurement credit cards to Emily Dombrowski, Environmental Education Coordinator, and Megan Gessler, Natural Beginnings Manager as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Purcell.

Commissioner Wehrli stated that this request will allow environmental education staff to make procurement card purchases within their respective areas of budget oversight.

Commissioner Gryder stated he would not be supporting this motion, and has not supported similar motions out of concerns that the issuance of credit cards to a large number of staff creates the potential for accounting issues and liabilities.

Roll call: Commissioners Cullick, Gilmour, Prochaska, Purcell, Shaw, and Wehrli, aye. Opposed, Commissioners Gryder and Davidson. Motion carried by a vote of 6 to 2.

XI. **Citizens to Be Heard**

No public comments were offered by those in attendance.

XII. **Motion to Suspend the Meeting**

Commissioner Purcell made a motion to suspend the regular meeting, to be reconvened following the meeting of the Kendall County board. Seconded by Commissioner Prochaska. Aye, all. Opposed, none. Regular meeting suspended at 6:10 pm.

Regular meeting reconvened at 7:28 pm.

Roll call: Commissioners Cullick, Davidson, Gilmour, Gryder, Prochaska, Purcell, Shaw, and Wehrli all were present.

XIII. **Executive Session**

Commissioner Prochaska made a motion to enter into executive session under 2(c)1 and 2(c)5 of the Open Meetings Act to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal
counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity; and to discuss the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body, including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired. Seconded by Commissioner Cullick. All, aye. Opposed, none. Executive session called to order at 7:29 pm.

Commissioner Shaw made a motion to reconvene the regular meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Prochaska. Regular meeting reconvened at 8:30 p.m.

XIV. Adjournment

Commissioner Davidson made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Commissioner Prochaska. Aye, all. Opposed, none. Meeting adjourned at 8:32 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

David Guritz
Director, Kendall County Forest Preserve District