

**Indiana Volkssport Association**  
**April 26, 2014**  
**W.R. Ewing Building**  
**Brownstown, Indiana**  
**1:00PM**

1. The meeting was called to order by President Cliff Terry at 1:00PM. He welcomed everyone. In the absence of the secretary Linda Neu called the role. In attendance:

Cliff Terry	INVA President
Don Vartanian	INVA VicePresident
Tom Martin	Member-at-Large
Clarence Wright	Indy "G" Walkers
Denny Fritz	Whitewater Valley Walkers
Carol Parkinson	Bloomington Flying Fish
Jim Mount	Bedford Hiking Club
Stan Neu	River City Ramblers
Linda Neu	Mid-America Regional Director

Rowena Mount  
Carol Bussell  
Pat O'Connor  
Linda Woods

2. The Minutes from the last meeting, December 21, 2013, were approved as printed.

3. The treasurer's report was approved as printed, subject to audit.  
Balance: \$5,736.08.

4. After-Action Report:

Clifty Falls, March 29 had 47 walkers.

5. INVA Calendar of Events:

A. Carol Parkinson announced that she had a Start/Finish for Bloomington on Sept. 27. The location will be at the Marriott Convention Center.

B. Don Vartanian announced that there will be a Mackinaw

Bridge Walk again this year. It will be on Monday, September 1, 2014. The Start/Finish will be at the Holiday Inn Express.

6. Presentation:

Mid-America Regional Director, Linda Neu, presented Don Vartanian, President of the Michigan Pathfinders with a 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary ribbon. The Pathfinders have been part of the AVA for 35 years.

7. Meetup program for INVA:

(Link is <http://www.meetup.com/Indiana-Volkssport-walking-meetup/>) Cliff talked about Meetup.com This was discussed at the Mid-America conference meeting in Louisville. Debbi Kruep of the Illinois Trekkers said that her club uses this social media site. She suggested that other clubs may want to try it. Denny Fritz, Whitewater Valley Walkers, and Karen Jaeger, River City Ramblers, use this site along with Indy “G” Walkers and INVA. Jim Blessing is in charge of their site.

8. Bloomington Flying Fish (BFF):

President Cliff welcomed back the Bloomington Flying Fish Club. After a long battle with the IRS, they have received their 501C designation, the AVA has reinstated the club.

9. Girl Scout Master Program:

The meeting with Youth Master program Chairperson Debbi Kruep went well, and was very informative. Members of the Indy “G” Walkers have met with the Girl Scout Council. They are working on Fall and Spring walks.

10. NEC meeting in Indy (June 13-14):

The meeting will be held in Plainfield, IN at the LaQuinta Inn and Suites.

11. The Mid-America Conference (Oct. 31-Nov. 2):

The Conference will be held in Springfield, IL. Some of our members have already reserved rooms.

The Mid-America planning group will meet in the Indianapolis area

on Sunday, June 15<sup>th</sup>.

12. Linda Neu, Regional Director, talked about the new Pathways to Excellence program. She invited all members to thr NEC Meeting.
13. Next INVA meeting will be Sept. 27<sup>th</sup>, 2014, in Bloomington, IN.  
Location will be announced later.
14. The December meeting in Indianapolis will have a later start time of 10:11AM to take  
Respectfully Submitted, advantage of the "10-11-12-13-14" time.

Linda Neu, Secretary Pro Tem (transcribed by Cheryl Elser, Secretary)