

**Mississippi DOVIA**  
**January 21, 2016**  
**Location: Jackson Zoological Park**

**Members present**

- Mary Kitchens
- Diana Gustafson
- Susan Alderman
- Jay-Tea Leggett
- Joanna Puddister King
- Veronica Herrin
- Amariah McCarthy
- Fran Baker
- Michele Baker
- Kris Beatty
- Stacy Crain

**Jackson Zoo's Master Plan**  
**Presented by Lucy & Elizabeth, Jackson Zoo**

Members had a great time learning about George, the Solomon Island Skink

Improve from the Ground Up:

- Creation of a group entry
- New lion and giraffe exhibit featuring indoor viewing and ability to feed the giraffes
- New South America exhibit
- New parking lot
- Additional indoor exhibit: Rainforest
- 3-phase project
- will take 10 years to complete
- Fun fact... The Zoo is almost 100 years old!

**Treasurer's Report**

Bank account: \$2,566.97  
9 members (new and renewal)  
Time to renew for 2016!

**Announcements**

- Don't forget to renew your DOVIA Membership
- Dues are now \$30 per person
- Have an exceptional volunteer? You can send them to Kris Beatty, and Volunteer Greater Jackson will highlight them on Mondays as their MVV (Most Valuable Volunteer)
- Mark your calendar for the GIVE Awards on April 11.
- Nominate a volunteer by February 15 for a GIVE Award
- Hunger Free Jackson is hosting a Hunger Conference on February 10, 2016 at Millsaps College from 9:00 – 3:00. Contact [thoahoang@goodsamaritancenter.org](mailto:thoahoang@goodsamaritancenter.org) for more information

**Next Meeting**

February 18: City of Jackson's Volunteer Program /tour of the Mayor's Office