

“BCHI State Board meeting held at the Clearwater River Casino, Lewiston, ID was informative and fun” say Marybeth Conger, State Director SBBCH and BCHI Education Chair.

Thank you for allowing me to represent you at the BCHI State Board of Director’s meeting that was held Saturday September 17, 2017. The meeting was called to order at 8:00 AM and adjourned at 4:00 PM. As of 11:00 AM I have not received the meeting minutes for the BCHI sec. I am sure the official BCHI minutes will soon be distributed and posted on the BCHI website. You can get all of the details there. Both Kay and Phil Ryan, along with Bill Conger were there, so they surely have more to add.

State Treasurer, Kay Ryan reviewed the Treasurer report which was very detailed and through. Bob Savage, BCHI State Chairman review the Saw policy. Just so you know, BCHI looking to get regional representation- North, Central, and South and a committee started to review, and get an action plan in place. The BCHI Education chair is having conversations with Bob about this. Hope to have more details coming out soon. The North Central chapter has an experienced horseman member with 30 plus year logging experience. This is someone to get on the committee. The goal is to move this into BCHI Education.

The Board of Director (BOD) completed a special election so we could have directors and an alternate in place until the upcoming elections.

The Education report was submitted. BCHI will be sending the BCHI chair to a Master Education course in 2017. Wait until you see the upcoming Broom tales which will be in color.

Now for some brief bullets of agenda items that will be supplemented with the official minutes.

- From the perspective of BCHI, the \$5.00 dues increase goes into effect Jan 2017.
- Bill Conger reminded all of us to complete the forms and follow the process as outlined on the BCHI website.
- State reimbursable is mileage now at .32 a mile.
- Regarding the public land swap, a consensus was taken of the director present and the majority opposed this. This is not anything binding on BCHI, just reflects opinion at the moment.
- Directors Manual were handed out. *NOTE*- these should be passed on to new directors as things change.
- Appx 50% of net calendar sales will be set aside in the Legal fund in 2017.
- Had a group discussion about calendar and look for a flyer regarding 2018 photos.
- Phil on the agenda for the National director’s report, IHC, and Public land south. There a handout from both he and the public land north coordinator, Rob Parks.
- There was a handout from the Wilderness Society regarding the Idaho High Divide project. Informational only.
- Website is looking have a donation button there. Also a question about who is managing the Sponsorship/Benefactor program. Nothing recent has happened here, so no action taken.
- Several items were tabled and chapter covered their volunteer reports, so make sure we are on track.

On Friday September 16, Bob had a meeting to discuss the possibility of moving calendar sales and perhaps education monies to the foundation.

Again thank you for letting me be your State director. It is amazing working with Phil too, who has so much experience and energy. Let us know if you have any questions.

Marybeth Conger

SBBCH State Director (1 of 2)