



State Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Friday, March 18, 2022
Hosted by Cache Peak in Burley ID

Call to Order:

Meeting called to order at 8:30 AM by Chris Reed, Chairman

Roll Call:

Boise: 1 Carl Gates
Cache Peak: 2 Norm McGuire | Kathy Kerley
Eagle Rock: 2 Aline Brinkman | Joe Brinkman
Heartland: 2 Linda Hemminger | Barb Baker
North Central: 2 Gary Kalmbach | Pat Enneking
Palouse: 2 Obsidian VanZant | Bub Latta
Panhandle: 2 Jim Kimball | Karen Kimball
Portneuf River: 2 Patty Whatt | Brett Sayer
Priest River: 2 Paul McBride | Louise McBride
Salmon River: 2 Terry Hershey | Teresa Hudson
Sawtooth: 0
Selkirk Valley: 0
Squaw Butte: 2 Lynn Garner | Dan Waugh
Teton Valley: 0
Treasure Valley: 2 Jill Nebeker | Cheryl Bice
Twin Rivers: 2 Karen Parks | Ardel Petz

Minutes from September 25, 2021, Meeting

Motion:

"I move to approve minutes with corrections."

Motion Made by: Karen Parks, Twin Rivers Second: Joe Brinkman, Eagle Rock

Vote: Yea 25 Nay 0 Motion Passed

Treasures report: Kay Ryan reviewed Budget report. Discussion on reports by Kay Ryan.

- Attached Treasurer reports:
 - 2021-2022 BCHI End of Year
 - 2021-2022 Treasurers Report for distribution
 - 2022-2023 Calendar Finances
 - 2022-2023 Proposed Budget

Motion:

"I move to approve the Treasures' report as read"

Motion made by: Karen Parks, Twin Rivers Second: Sarah Johnson, Salmon River

Vote: Yea 25 Nay 0 Motion Passed

CD renewals discussion

Motion:

Renewal for 1 year

Motion by: Karen Parks, Twin Rivers Second: Teresa Hudson, Salmon River

Vote: Yea 25 Nay 0 Motion Passed

2022 Budget discussion

Memorial Budget then can route to foundation & it can handle process

Still need line item in budget [\$300.00 for Val Johnson for Salmon Public Library]

For members who have held office for state or national--

Motion: "Remove Chairman from obligation remove line item from budget for memorial-extenuating circumstances then can be done as a proposal as they occur."

Motion Made By: Joe Brinkman, Eagle Rock Second: Paul McBride, Priest River

Vote: Yea 25 Nay 0 Motion Passed

Budget: Jill Nebeker stated can lower website down to \$50 from \$100.00

-Motion: "-Leave budget as is and accept "

Made by: Mark Ottman Cache Peak second Aline Brinkman Eagle Rock

Yea 25 Nay 0 motion passed

2021 Audit Report: Karen Parks Twin Rivers and Christy Barzee – Eagle Rock reviewed accounts and all "A-Okay"

Insurance Report: Cory [presented out of order]

- More events than last year – 19 last year 30 so far this year.
- Changed date for deadline will now be mid-March 2023
- Same restrictions as prior plan.
- Needs to have lead time prefer 30 days or more –
- Can change dates as needed. Weather cancels etc.
- Cory to send out list of exemptions again.

Nominations Committee: Rod Parks presents the following -

Chairman: Chris Reed, again

Vice Chairman: Aline Brinkman, again

Secretary: Debbie Samovar

Treasurer: Kay Ryan

National Director 1 (2023-2024): Pat Bogar

Alt. National Director (1 Year): Gary Kalmbach

National Director 2 (2022-2023) Aline Brinkman has 1 year left.

Ballot – later in day -

Education chairman report: [Lisa Deas resigned for personal reasons] BCHI need a new volunteer for Education Chair

Karen Kimball ---presented Lisa's proposal – Karen Kimball will help the new volunteer

Motion "Table it back to Chapters" Made by Karen Parks Twin Rivers – second by Phil Ryan Squaw Butte

Vote Yea 25 Nay 0 motion passed

(Note: Lisa Deas has retracted her resignation prior to the meeting and is continuing as Education Chair)

Idaho horse council Report: Dan Waugh – Chair Trail Urban Spaces, Director with Idaho Horse Council

- Goal: Horse Council to be a resource for one voice for equestrians across the state. Trail Liaison in Ketchum & a Lady in Moscow
- Need unified voice across the state – 3% of state GDP is recreation dollars revenue -- 3rd is Equestrian @ \$125 million in 2019 per BSU survey.
- Horse census on ID Horse council webpage – not a great census Boise State didn't process it very well.
- Health Issues Strangles and other issues –need contacts across the state.–
- Expand Petit Lake Trail head
- Outfitter Association does a lot of trail maintenance
- Legislative network need to utilize.
- Horse Expo is April 8-10, 2022

BCHI Website Coordinator: Jill Nebeker

- Updated website feedback on needs and to keep update
- Unable to add BOD documents as did not get them until night before this meeting
- Password for Board Members page is "Members"

National Directors Report: by Aline Brinkman

- National Newsletter, quarterly, everyone getting? If not let Aline know.
- Volunteer Hours Form: Use old sheet with 15 categories vs. new form now down to 6 categories...more to come on this issue.
- Grants on BCHA website \$50k available – minimum of \$2k to \$15k cash or in-kind match of at least 20%.
- Horse camps designated as such but others using| Take pictures, notes, License Plate numbers send to Parks and Rec or FS district office or BLM district. There is a form on the BCHA website and a link on the BCHI home page to help track and report this issue.
- A lot of problems of homeless people camping in wilderness areas and areas are being trashed. Notify proper authorities. Need to contact land agencies and also loop BCHA into it as well
- State membership data is good.
- E-bikes - New Mexico is working with -agreement has been determined no e-bikes on FS
- E-bike policy – white letter coming Aline to pass it along once she gets it.
 - USFS is resisting classifying E-bikes same as pedal bikes –
 - BLM lets them go same as pedal bikes.
 - NPS lets them go same as pedal bikes.
 - State of Idaho allowed them, on State Lands, same as pedal bike back in 2020.
- E-Bikes - State of WA, pending public comment, currently temporary option if have Americans Disability Act [ADA] sticker allow them to go where pedal bikes go. Public input deadline is 4/22/22. Twin Rivers sending a letter on this.
- 1.17.22 USFS Prescott CLASS 1 E-Bikes have not yet heard the outcome yet.
- CA took non-motorized and allowed motorized then had to rescind but are now trying to get it back in legally with public comment process.
- BCHA NL sent electronically – what is status of this. Addresses of people for paper newsletter let Aline know for updating with BCHA. BCHI has members that don't have computers so no way to get them online.
- Mark Himmel, BCHA Vice-Chair spoke to the changed volunteer hours form will take BCHI letter to National meeting
 - Reiterated form sent in will be form used.
 - Steve Didier spoke to the fact that the volunteer hours form was formed using the BCHA mission statement. Encouraged Mark Himmel to visit as may state conventions as he can. The data that the volunteer hours form generates has been used and verified to put forth an argument to the government agencies, FS specifically, to show the validity and value of the volunteer hours working with BCHA and it member states

Resolution at National Board BCHA Legal Fund -attached from BCHC – Aline Brinkman

- There is no actual \$ amount listed, and we need to know what that amount is. Need more information and clarification of all points to it.

Motion: "Not to support this resolution"

Gary Kalmbach, North Central– seconded Karen Parks, Twin Rivers

Vote 25 Yea 0 Nay motion passed

Public Lands Reports:

- North: Gary Kalmbach - keep equestrian designated camping and parking spots open to equestrian use. On website – incident report send a copy to all chapters – conference call every 3rd Thursday of the month with NW public lands discussion with all the states CA AK OR WA ID—
- South: No Report
- East: Tim Palmer Caribou-Targhee NF Centennials
 - Gold exploration X next 3 years. More congested and noisy
 - Trail head improvements all on hold, because of gold exploration
 - Reroute Lake Creek, Fleming Creek-Big Holes out of Palisades
 - West Fork Mink Creek 2 bridges and 2 culverts upgrade to larger
 - Salmon-Challis Bellas Lake Broadview connector trail start of summer when snow clears Copper Basin area
 - BLM District Manager can allow e-bikes [per BLM website] with written letter for that region in the future, BLM not currently doing this, just need to stay aware and monitor for changes.

Broomtales: Alice Millington there is no “deadline” for submission just send as you get them. Alice will write up the article so just send the information, when where who etc. she will compile to an article that fits the size of the newsletter she puts it in. Photos of work need to have members wearing PPE if saws etc are being used.

Calendars/Chapter Counts:

Boise – 50	Cache Peak – 100	Eagle Rock – 50	Heartland – 50
North Central –225	Palouse –50	Panhandle –125	Portneuf River – 50
Priest River – 80	Salmon River –40	Sawtooth –35	Selkirk Valley –[25*]
Squaw Butte – 250	Teton Valley – 50	Treasure Valley –170	Twin Rivers –350

Total Commitment: 1700 will print 1700 --same number as 2022
[*not present used same # as last year]

Sawyer Training: Region 1 Todd Brown, North Central & Region 4 Rob Adams, Squaw Butte –

- Forest Service getting out of business of Saw Training. New program, Volunteer Saw Instructor new course called “Developing a Thinking Sawyer” emphasis on risk management, human factors, and sawyer safety. Program is directed at non-fire crew sawyers. Sawyers will run the classroom and field and sign the cards Forest Service out of the loop except for the train-the-trainers. Will have C sawyers mentor B sawyers and B sawyers’ mentor in training and in the field. C is who signs cards. New videos coming as some that are now being used are from 1960s. Would like to get new instructors in the pool
- Need more instructors
 - 3 in region 1 –N of Salmon River, E WA, N ID, W MT
 - 3 in region 4.- S of Salmon River
 - Mark Himmel, saw instructor from BCHA, will be here later in the day.
- Need more trainers – FS is getting out of saw training.
- Battery chain saws still need PPE and they won’t stop as fast with chaps it takes longer than gas powered chain saws. Battery are direct drive not clutch driver like gas powered chain saws.
- First aid being current is on you. Saw certification is 3 years. First Aid is 2 years if deferred by COVID need to get FA updated now! If you want to train Regions 1 & 4 will reimburse trainers for travel saw gas and oil and little bit of per diem. Current IRS rate 0.56 cents/mile
- Certification date goes from date completed class out 3 years. If current card was grandfathered it is now expired. Class in Stanley in May and in Emmett in May.
- Classroom must be on Forest Service to be covered.

- Forest Service representatives will be at Saturday meeting
 - Brian Burbidge Region 4 Saw Program Manager-
 - Larry Velarde Region 4 Trails/Dispersed Recreation & Travel Mgmt. Program Manager

Foundation Report: Tim Palmer

- 3 grant requests all funded –
 - Salmon River \$347.13 Chain Saw
 - \$300 first aid course reimbursement
 - Teton Valley \$520 Catavoy Saw and replacement blade.
 - N Central donated \$3000.00 to Foundation ear marked for help weed spraying.
 - Amazon Smile donation down a little this year. Put instruction sheet on website on foundation page how to set Amazon Smile for your default Charity on all your Amazon purchases.
- Reminder that foundation was set up to help the chapters, so funds pass thru to chapters, that need help to obtain items.

Ways and Means: Aline Brinkman – sell calendars to keep us going.

Volunteer Hours: new form only 6 columns down from 16 columns ---

- Eliminated LNT stock days travel time. miles – education was eliminated – miles on ground – stock number and stock days

New form:

Old Form:2012

Old Form 2016

2023 Convention & Directors Meeting Date: 3/17-18/2023 -hosted by Salmon River BCH Chapter – Terry Hershey – Elks Club w/bar and kitchen - catered food – live entertainment theme – Frank Church ---Clearing trails in the back and beyond also will be the 45th anniversary for their chapter. Will want chapters to donate items.

Cache Peak – Thank you to all who attended and supported their efforts.

Location for Sept 2022 Directors Meeting: hosted by Priest River BCH– date 9/10/2022 - location TBD

Idaho Equine Rendezvous Proposal Carl Gates Boise chapter [attached copy-needs committee to refine this]—

- proposed location Bear Valley to start move it annually
- Phil Ryan – Outfitters and Guides Association will have an issue with the word Guided– **don't** used the word “guided”.
- Suggestion of another location Bull Trout Lake
- May be good places in N Idaho just need input from members
- Move it around the state yearly or every other year.
- Take back to chapter to get feedback and get in contact with Carlgates@yahoo.com members who would like to participate on the committee
- Could be an option to recruit new members
- Would take at least a year or more to get all the planning going.
- Committee volunteer: Karen Parks.

Election Committee Rod Parks/Aline Brinkman

Election of 2022 Officers

Chairman: Chris Reed again

Vice Chairman: Aline Brinkman again

Secretary: Debbie Samovar volunteer again

Treasurer: Kay Ryan volunteer again

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Motion: accept officers by acclamation

Celeste Bingham Salmon River second by: Pat (Bogar, Twin Rivers)

Unanimous

Adjourn

"I move to adjourn"

Motion Made By: Celeste Bingham Salmon River Second: Aline Brinkman, Eagle Rock

Vote: Yea 25 Nay 0 Motion Passed

Meeting Adjourned at 3:46 PM MDT

Transcribed and submitted by Jill Nebeker [for Debbie Samovar]