



BCHA
Executive Committee Minutes-Draft
Tuesday, August 16, 2016
Noon ET
VIA Conference Call
(855) 212-0212, ID 318-249-114

Members attending: Don Saner, Jim McGarvey, Freddy Dunn, Roy Cornett, Ginny Grulke, Doug Bechen, Alan Hill, Darrell Wallace
Staff: Randy Rasmussen, Erica Fearn

Actions taken:

- ✓ Motion made to accept the consent agenda and reports. APPROVED.
- ✓ Motion to receive and file the financial reports. APPROVED.
- ✓ Motion to receive the Chair's report. APPROVED.
- ✓ By consensus to reprint the Trails Forever cards. APPROVED.
- ✓ Motion to receive the Executive Director's report. APPROVED.
- ✓ Motion to receive the Public Liaison report. APPROVED.
- ✓ Motion to receive the Public Lands report. APPROVED.
- ✓ By consensus to have the strategic plan on the Executive Committee agenda. APPROVED.

Topic	Accountable	Discussion & Follow up
Welcome & Introductions	Don Saner	Changes & additions to the agenda Review consent agenda
	Don Saner	<p>Consent agenda: Minutes of the July 19, 2016 meeting. Approve R. Rasmussen travel to Fresno, CA. Approve R. Rasmussen travel for remainder of 2016 IRS Letter 2014 Penalty-update Dew Foundation Update Trails Forever Donor & Donor Update Motion to accept the consent agenda and reports.</p>
Finance	Roy Cornett	Financial report as of end of June. Motion to receive and file the financial reports.
Strategic Agenda	<p>Don Saner</p> <p>Jim McGarvey</p> <p>Alan Hill</p> <p>Randy Rasmussen</p>	<p>Chair's Report Quiet month. Opportunity to meet with Senator Enzy of Wyoming. He introduced our trails bill. Spoke to him about the trails bill, transfer of public lands bill, and mountain bike bill. He is a supporter of the transfer of public lands and supporter of multi-use and access.</p> <p>Asked to be on Teton County committee for wilderness study areas.</p> <p>Wyoming is working with the board of Farm & Ranch, put out a paper on the stance on the issues. Should BCHA do something similar?</p> <p>Executive Director's Report Trails Forever Cards will be reprinted. Call from donor expressing how much we do with what we have. Shared thoughts on starting a \$1,000 year club. Crescendo site is almost complete. Roy, Cindy, Bob, Tom Thomas on committee to review farm opportunity in South Carolina. Hofstader's will be hosting a Forest Service clinic at their place this week. Tom Graves, met for coffee. Legacy Radio – BCHA will have Greg and Deb Schatz and their trip to Mongolia.</p> <p>Public Liaison Report Annual Partnership Trip with Forest Service and CCC's.</p> <p>Public Lands Report Yosemite Wilderness Stewardship Plan – important to develop positive relations with park staff and be on similar page at the unit, state (BCHC) and national (BCHA) level ("What happens at</p>

	Erica Fearn & Randy Rasmussen	<p>Yosemite has ripples across the national park system”). Putting our best foot forward with respect to demonstrating technical skills in Leave No Trace, having certified sawyers, and understanding policy realm and agency’s mandate to “preserve wilderness character.” Early concepts (alternatives) developed by the Park Service bode well for private horsemen, who comprise only 6% of overnight stock use in park Wilderness. No trail closures specific to pack stock use are proposed. We need to offer solutions regarding what horsemen might accept in terms of controlling any adverse impacts of meadow grazing. USFS Saw Policy – Agency webinar a week from today. We’ve been asked: Is BCHA developing a Saw Policy Program at the National level? No, BCH states and chapters have distinct programs, including CA, OR, WA and MT. Bikes in Wilderness bill (S.3205) – BCHA is working with allies, sent a letter of opposition to all US senators. BCH UT is developing a letter for its senators, who introduced the bill.</p> <p>Strategic Plan update and/Review</p> <p>We have a good strategic plan, are we doing it, how do we know we are doing it and are we successful. It is useful for reaching out to funders. We are looking for internal reporting mechanism, how do we get chapters and states to let us know what they are doing? How do reach out to people in the youth arena and/or partners that make sense to us?</p> <p>Recommendation to make strategic planning review a part of the Executive Committee agenda. The plan is on our website, starting at page 17, four goals.</p> <p>Committee structure: Have committees be more active. Engage committees to be more of a year round asset.</p>
Adjourn		<p>Next meeting date September 20.</p> <p>Strategic Plan</p> <p>NBM agenda and budget.</p> <p>Ivan the Mule</p>

Consent agenda reports:

Dew Foundation update:

Application is due September 15th

Task	Responsible	Deadline
Background	Jim McGarvey	
Work History	Randy Rasmussen	
2015 top donors	Karen Novack & Erica Fearn	8/17/16
Proof Application		

Finalize and submit application	Jim McGarvey	August 15 th or September 15 th
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www.dewfoundation.org Click on LOI link and that takes you to the log in page. It maybe pre filled out with user name and PW. Then click on “Applicant Dashboard” then click on “View Application” 9/19/2015 to see last year’s.

This will be our last year to apply.

R. Rasmussen travel to Fresno, CA. Request:

Mr. Chairman

I've been communicating with BCHC's public lands officer, Troy Patton, regarding the newly released draft forest plan/EIS for the Inyo, Sierra and Sequoia national forests (S. CA forests). This is the FIRST among all national forests to reach the draft EIS (public review) stage under the 2012 Planning Rule:

<http://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/r5/landmanagement/planning/?cid=STELPRDB5444003>

With your permission, I'd appreciate you sending the attached travel request justification to the EC for a two-day trip to Fresno, CA. I hope to attend the last public meeting held by the USFS on the draft plan/EIS on August 4th. Public comment letters on the plan/EIS are due by August 25th.

I'm hoping that Troy and I can submit a joint BCHA-BCHC comment letter that addresses some of the horsemen's key issues, as identified in the draft plan/EIS. Getting feedback from FS officials at the public meeting is crucial to framing those comments so they will be well-received by the time we submit written comments.

I currently have 56% (\$5,551) of my 2016 travel budget remaining. Thank you.

Management & Transition Report

IRS Update: The accountant has reached out to the IRS regarding the late filing and penalty for the 2014 990.

State and Chapter 501C3 update: States and chapters have been reaching out to me regarding their 501c3 status. We are creating an inventory/list by chapter.

Trails Forever Donor update:

Number of donors: 39
 Number of NBM donating: 29
 Number of NBM not donating 39 (approximate, we should have Don and/Jim send an email/letter)
 Donors without contact information: 10 (we should have a letter that can go out signed by ?)
 Number of donors to move off PayPal site 41 (not all are Trails Forever donors)
 John and Erica are reviewing the process and correspondence to begin moving people from PayPal. We will utilize the Executive Committee as a test group.

Donation Snapshot (does not include PayPal contributions nor contributions prior to April 1, 2016)

Options	Donation Fund Name	Status	Goal	Amount Received
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Trails Forever Fund	Active	\$13,485	\$4,152 (30.79%)
BCHA Spur	Active	\$78,000	\$6,760 (8.67%)
The General Fund	Active	NA	NA
USA Today Ad Fund	Active	\$10,000	\$8,000 (80.00%)
Education Foundation	Active	NA	NA

Notes:

<http://inciweb.nwcg.gov/>