Minutes – REGION 3 BOARD OF DIRECTOR MEETING

Zoom, Wednesday July 31, 2024 7:00 pm – 9:00 am

- Meeting call to order
 - o Present
 - Bill Wingle
 - Dayna Morgan
 - Lindsay Mathews
 - Linda Johnson-Conne
 - Jordan Anderson
 - Donna Dandy
 - Scarlett Hager
- Approval of previous meeting's minutes
 - o Not available. Kay is still trying to e-mail these.
 - Secretary not present, so meeting minutes for 7/31/2024 based on Bill Wingle's notes).
- Treasurer
 - Cathy has taken over from Chuck
 - o Treasurer's Report
 - Cathy had e-mailed a treasurer's report to BOD members. Bill and Cathy made edits to correct a balance issue.
 - Cathy noted that she had not made any edits to Susie Witter fund report (appears last entries from Chuck in February 2024).
 - Bill made a few edits based on some final checks.
 - It appears Region 3 under spent total funds by \$84.77.
 - There is also some uncertainty about the close out amount. The guess is the attorney firm managing the account needed about \$500 more to close it all out.
 - NATRC Region 3 account balance down about \$5000 from beginning of the year.
 - This is mainly due to expenses from National Convention.
 - National Convention
 - Region 3 collected most of the income and paid most of the expenses. National did collect some sponsorships and probably had some expenses.
 - It does not appear that Region 3 and National have settled the shared profit/loss from the convention.
 - Bill Wingle will ask Cathy and National about settling this.
 - Dayna noticed Ghost Ranch has not yet paid region ride fees (Confirmed later with Cathy (8/1/2024))
 - Dayna noticed the AFA ride paid more in region rider fees than Navajo Lake and Greenland combined. (Bill communicated later with Cathy about this (8/1/2024); seems to be related to coupons and Premier Parking discount).

- Committee Reports (as apply):
 - Dayna commented that we need more people to step up and help at all levels of organization.
 - National Board report (Linda Conne-Johnson & Dayna Morgan)
 - 65% of membership Leisure
 - Trail fund advocacy (Dayna, Linda)
 - Get out to ride managers
 - No cost sharing
 - Up to \$500
 - National Convention
 - National Convention in Nashville in spring 2025
 - Concern about economic sustainability of holding National Conventions in the future.
 - Questionnaire
 - Should National Convention be held very year?
 - Could it be virtual?
 - National awards at regional conventions
 - National looking at how to deal with future years
 - E-News
 - Make sure members sign up for this.
 - Rule Changes
 - Back of score card passed
 - Pilot program passed
 - Stabling passed
 - No Stallions in portable panels
 - Still must be doubled tied
 - Electric fences not allowed
 - Adult vs. HWT/LWT
 - Continue as year-to-year temporary change
 - Sweepstakes changes did not pass
 - Remain as has been historically
 - Great rider and lame horse problem killed proposal.
 - Plan to revisit for 2026
 - Presidents Cup did not pass
 - Revisiting for 2026
 - Concerns wording not correct, regarding lameness.
 - Remainder that ride managers should return all unused score cards from ride managers
 - Bill needs to post Ride Manager video to National website.
 - Membership
 - Janice Nissen
 - Do outreach via Mail Chimp
 - Jordan and Bill
 - Help maintain member database and mailing lists
 - Database
 - Membership status

- Contact groups (members new and old, people who showed interest at trade show type events).
- Newsletter report
 - No activity. No one is handling this.
 - Needs to be done
 - Bill and Jordan looking at this.
- Ride book
- o Ride coordinator report (Bill Wingle)
 - Completed events
 - Santa Fe (LeD and Clinic)
 - Navajo Lake (A + LeD)
 - USAFA (LeD only)
 - Greenland (LeD)
 - Remaining events
 - Happy Jack Clinic
 - Happy Jack (A + LeD)
 - CO Trail (LeD)
 - Chicken Creek (A)
 - Caballo Canyon (A + 2-day LeD)
- Publicity/Advertising Chair report (Dayna Morgan)
- o Events (Linda Johnson-Conne)
 - Will plan to have ideas for 2025 at next BOD meeting.
 - Kay's recent clinic was unsanctioned. It didn't have to be as we didn't promote it.
 - It may have been wise for her to sanction it.
 - Insurance, advertising, ...
 - Clinics don't have to be introductory, or have a ride, to be sanctioned. Clinics on horsemanship are perfectly valid.
- Historian Chair report (Cristy Cumberworth)
 - Website needs updates to manage new information from Cristy.
 - Cristy taking on some of this on her own time.
- Supply/Safety Chair report (Dayna Morgan)
 - There should be three fanny packs in each district.
 - Kristin Munson took advantage of Wilderness First-Aid training course at National Convention (~\$325, NATRC Region 3 paid 1/3, AERC 1/3, and Kristin 1/3).
 - Kristin has ridden multiple rides this year as safety.
 - BOD reconfirmed we what to continue helping safety riders get first aid training.
- o Awards Chair report (Jordan Anderson)
 - Jordan has finished collecting awards from Kat.
- Worker Points Chair report
 - Benedikte Ward taking over this job.
 - Dee Overholt has passed on information she has to Benedikte
 - Bill Wingle working on website and database tools to centralize and simplify this task.

- o Website report (Bill Wingle).
 - Working basically, but much to do.
- Region III benefit ride report
 - Chicken Creek is this years benefit ride. This year funds go to SJVTR to continue supporting their multiple events.
 - RECOMFIRMED BY BOD VOTE: Unanimous approval.
- Nominating Committee Chair report
 - Vacancy: At-Large
 - Seats coming available in 2025
 - National Director (Linda Johnson-Conne)
 - District #1 (Kay Gunckel)
 - District #2 (Scarlett Hager)
 - At-Large (Vacant)
 - There was confusion about Linda's National Director seat becoming available as she has only served two years. (Bill checked later – Cathy Cumberworth had served first year of 3-year term and Linda was elected to complete that term).
 - We need to start looking for candidates.
 - Need to prepare for October elections
- Old Business
 - None
- New Business
 - Appreciation Nominations Have names for next meeting
 - Jim Menefee Lifetime Achievement Award
 - Worker Hall of Fame
 - National Appreciation
 - Regional Appreciation for National Recognition (3 nominations)
 - Think of nominees to present at next BOD meeting so we can get ballots out to membership.
 - 100% Club (LeD)
 - Discussed today. General agreement that we should do this. As Standing Rules and Procedures changes requires 30 days notice, we'll have to have vote at next meeting.
 - Changes had been sent to all BOD members prior to Zoom call.
 - Potential vote at next meeting
 - o Does front range have a need for a travel trailer. How to pay for it.
 - Suggested if Front Range uses region funds to get trailer, SJVTR trailer should get some region support.
 - Tires for SJVTR trailer? SJVTR will look into the age of current tires.
 - Front Range folks need to make official proposal
- Set next Board meeting location and date

- o Zoom
- Next meeting: 9/25/2024 or 10/2/2024 @ 7PM
 Need 30 days for elections before NBOD meeting