

Back Country Horsemen of Missouri
Board of Directors Meeting
April 2, 2020
MINUTES

1. Meeting called to order by Chairman Maury Mertz at 10:00 AM.
 - A. Roll call: Directors: Sherry Copeland, Larry Dishman, John Stewart, Candace Hale, Paula Hull and Vicki Clark.
Officers: Becki Krueger, President; Darrel Vaughan, Vice President; Jane Doskal, Treasurer; Sue Maynard, Secretary.
Committee Chairs: Robin Vaughan, Service; Marsha Copeland, Education and Expansion; Sherry Copeland, Public Lands; Paula Hull, Publications and Promotions.
Members: Ray Maynard, Lynette Miller (member-at-large liaison)
 - B. Excused Absentees: none
 - C. Agenda Adjustments: Becki Krueger - update on fundraiser with J&L tack. Paula Hull - June newsletter distribution method.
2. Review of BOD Minutes Jan. 7, 2020. Corrections as follows: Sherry – last page, #10 letter A “upper current river” instead of Big Creek. Becki- #6 A owner J & L wants to donate an item, Becki will work with J&L.

MOTION to approve BCHMO Meeting Minutes with adjustments for Jan. 7, 2020 as submitted. Seconded, Passed, Unanimously.

3. Officer Reports:
 - A. President Becki Krueger, written report submitted. Attached.
 - B. Vice President Darrell Vaughan, written report submitted. Attached.
 - C. Treasurer Jane Doskal, written report submitted. Attached. After the reports were submitted changes were made due to the change in the 2020 BCHA meeting. Due to Covid19 the meeting will be held via teleconferencing and therefore an auction will not take place. This reduces expenses by \$1,190. This is comprised of \$280 for the auctioneer and \$1690 for BCHMO National Director expenses. Marsha Copeland submitted a check for \$310 since the Ozark Spring Round Up was cancelled. In addition, \$707 was donated from the Golden Horseshoes fundraiser. This leaves the budget only \$205 short. The current checkbook balance is \$21,914.67 (one check outstanding). Sherry Copeland questioned the Profit vs Loss Budget vs. Actual. P&L vs Actual shows a \$50 net loss and approved budget shows a net income of \$230. The difference was caused by entries related to the 2020 BCHA meeting on the P&L vs Actual.

Action item: Jane will send out a revised P&L vs Actual report.

- D. Secretary Sue Maynard, written report submitted. Attached. Contacted Mark Hamill (BCHA) with changes in leaders. Mark will transfer these to the website.

MOTION to approve all reports with noted changes. Seconded, Passed, Unanimously.

4. Standing Committees:
 - A. Publications and Promotions, Paula Hull. Written report submitted. Attached.
 - B. Service, Robin Vaughan. Written report submitted. Attached.

Total value \$43,680.80 Jan - Mar. Some data for Tri-Lakes and Nemo is missing.

Action item: Robin will check spreadsheet for Tri-Lakes and Nemo hours and resend the report.

- C. Education and Expansion, Marsha Copeland. Written report submitted. Attached.
- D. Public Lands, Maury Mertz. Written report submitted. Attached.

MOTION to approve standing committee reports with corrections. Seconded, Passed, Unanimously.

5. Chapter reports:

- A. Reports were received from the following chapters: Brownfield, Cuivre River, Heartland, Mountain Riders, Ridge Runner, River Springs, South Central, Tornado Ridge, Trail's End and Tri-Lakes. Nemo submitted their report and had one addition – the new Stoutville trail has been added to their work areas. This trail is managed by the COE.
- B. Indian Trails did not submit a report.

MOTION to approve Chapter reports. Seconded, Passed, Unanimously.

6. Upcoming BCHMO Events:

- A. Annual Cleanup, membership and Land Managers' ride is scheduled for June 18th – 22nd. Due to Covid19 we will reconvene on April 30 call to decide whether this event should be canceled. The BOD and Officers will meet via conference call.
- B. Due to Covid19 BCHMO will provide guidance to all chapters – it is okay to proceed with workdays if the chapter follows recommended governmental guidelines.

Action item: Becki will send out an email to chapter leaders for distribution.

7. Old Business:

- A. Strategic plan – the team (Becki Krueger, Jane Dosal, John Stewart, Marsha Copeland) submitted a strategic plan. Becki advised we should consider this a progress report.
- B. 2020 BCHA Meeting @ Kansas City - Sherry Copeland confirms that the same Kansas City hotel will be the venue for the April 25-28, 2021 National BOD meeting. Sherry advised that the hotel should be working on refunds at the request of BCHA. BCHA is also working on processing refunds.
- C. Annual meeting location review (Becki) – After a review of possible venues we had 2 choices, Golden Hills or Brushy Creek. These are the only facilities that can provide for our needs. While Golden Hills does not have public trails, it is hopeful that due to its larger size we will have opportunities to interact with equestrians not familiar with BCHMO.

MOTION to approve Golden Hills for the annual membership meeting. Seconded, Passed, Unanimously.

Action item: Becki Krueger will verify that Golden Hills will allow a Saturday night potluck.

- D. Golden Horseshoe Fundraiser - quantity and where to spend (Jane). The income from the fundraiser mentioned in the Sept. 30, 2019 board meeting and minutes has been received. As stated in the 2019 meeting, Golden Horseshoe has an annual fundraiser where proceeds are given to various groups and they favor 501c3s. For 2020 BCHMO was selected. Golden Horseshoe raised \$707 and this amount was applied to BCHMO general funds. Indian Trails has now asked to return their 2020 TMI funds of \$655 and keep the \$707 from the fundraiser. After discussion, the consensus was the original intent of Indian Trails would be followed.

Action item: Maury and Becki will write a joint letter for the Indian Trails chapter explaining the decision.

- E. P and P Updates Sue – P&P # 11 Unsung Hero and Good Neighbor Award item #4 - “recognition article” is to be featured in “Trail Country News”. The correct name of the newsletter is “Back Country Horsemen of Missouri”. No vote is needed.

Action item: Sue Maynard will update the P&P # 11 item #4 verbiage.

P&P # 2 Legal Records item #4 Responsibility. Currently indicates the Treasurer is responsible for the membership list (a large portion of funding comes from membership fees). Currently the distribution of the membership list is handled by the Membership Coordinator.

Action item: Jane Doskal, Maury Mertz, & Karen Mertz will discuss verbiage changes for P&P #2 and provide a recommendation at the next meeting.

P&P # 7 Publications item #3 C references only a web page as social media options. Ray Maynard advised that other public media outlets are being used by BCHMO and should be included.

Action item: Ray will send an email to Publications Chair Paula Hull regarding social media.

- F. Increasing membership plan (Becki & Darrel) - this will be discussed at the next meeting. Marsha advised that BCHA has provided some guidance.

9. New Business:

- A. Paula Hull requests that the June newsletter be distributed via email only. Due to the lack of work being done (Covid19) the quantity of information will be less than normal. Chapter leaders will contact those members without email. We expect to save \$367 by sending via email.

MOTION to approve electronic distribution method for the June Newsletter. Seconded, Passed, Unanimously.

- B. Update on 2020 BCHMO fundraiser – Becki. J&L tack may be offering a saddle pad or a bridle/breast collar combo. Attendees discussed how to use the item. We have two options 1) auction during the annual membership meeting in November or 2) auction during the 2021 BCHA BOD meeting. The final decision will be made when we know what item will be donated.

Action item: Becki will ask if J&L will still donate the item and we'll use it at our discretion.

- C. Karen Mertz is stepping down after serving as membership coordinator for three years. Becki had 3 names of potential volunteers – one person declined, one has not been contacted, and one person said they would do it if absolutely needed. Becki asked that names of any potential volunteers be given to Becki or Maury.

10. Announcements and Kudos

- A. None

11. Next meeting and adjournment

- A. Next meeting will be Thursday July 9, 2020 at Location in Denny's Rolla at 10:00 AM.

MOTION to adjourn, Seconded, Passed, Unanimously Time 12:05 PM