

MINUTES DRAFT 4
BACK COUNTRY HORSEMEN OF MISSOURI
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Thursday Oct. 8, 2020
Perkins Restaurant, Jefferson City, Missouri

1. Meeting called to order by Chairman Maury Mertz at 10:00 AM.
 - A. Roll call: Directors: Sherry Copeland, Larry Dishman, John Stewart, and Vicki Clark.
Officers: Becki Krueger, President; Darrel Vaughan, Vice President; Sue Maynard, Secretary; Jane Doskal, Treasurer.
Committee Chairs: Robin Vaughan, Service; Marsha Copeland, Education and Expansion; Maury Mertz, Public Lands; Paula Hull, Publications and Promotions.
Members: Ray Maynard, Shannon Stewart
 - B. Introduction of guests
 - C. Excused Absences: board members Candace Hale and Paula Hull (requested via phone call to Maury Mertz)
 - D. Agenda Adjustments: 1) National BOD report; 2) necessity of business cards and membership cards.

2. Review of BOD Minutes draft 4 July 9th, 2020.

MOTION to approve BCHMO Meeting Minutes for July 9th, 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 but modifications needed. Attached.

Action item - Jane will send out revised report.

- D. Secretary Sue Maynard, written report submitted. Attached.

Action item - Sherry Copeland should be listed as BCHM vice chairman

MOTION to approve all reports with adjustments for Treasurer and Secretary reports as submitted. 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 \$ 209,205.07. Reflecting the new 2020 rate \$217,762.36
- C. Education and Expansion, Marsha Copeland. Written report submitted. Attached.
- D. Public Lands, Maury Mertz. Written report submitted. Attached.
- E. National BCHM BOD, Sherry Copeland. 1) The form for submitting volunteer hours will be simplified and is expected to be available by year end. 2) BCHM membership form will be updated to collect the number of family members in a family membership. A family membership will continue to have 2 votes. 3) The new BCHM website login method has been

rolled out. 4) Discussion about our representatives on the National Public Lands committee – currently we have 2 members (the standard amount) but there is interest in adding a 3rd member (Darrel Vaughn).

Action item - Becki, Maury and Darrel will discuss rotation to keep BCHMO Public Lane Committee membership to 2 individuals.

Action item for all board members, chapter leaders and committee heads – all reports submitted for BOD meetings will be sent to all Board members, Officers, and Committee chairs. Chapters reports will be a reflection of the newsletter articles.

Motion to approve standing committee reports. Seconded, Passed, Unanimously.

5. Chapter reports:

- A. Brownfield - submitted
- B. Cuivre River - submitted
- C. Heartland – not submitted
- D. Indian Trails – not submitted
- E. Mountain Riders – not submitted
- F. Nemo - submitted
- G. Ridge Runner - submitted
- H. River Springs - submitted
- I. South Central - submitted
- J. Tornado Ridge - submitted
- K. Trail's End – not submitted
- L. Tri-Lakes - submitted

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

6. Old Business:

- A. BCHMO Strategic Plan Update: Communications (Becki Krueger), Membership Growth and Retention (Marsha Copeland), and State Wide Recognition (Paula Hull).

Becki Krueger– reviewed submitted report.

Marsha Copeland – reviewed submitted report.

Paula Hull – due to absence this will be reviewed at the next board meeting.

- B. Annual membership meeting last minute updates (Becki) – As there are no current Vesicular Stomatitis cases in Missouri no health certificate is needed for AMM, unless you live out of state. Per the October News Flash (emailed Oct. 4) attendees need to call Golden Hills if they will be purchasing their Friday night, Saturday and/or Sunday morning meals. Prices are \$12.95 dinner, \$8.95 for breakfasts. Campsite fees are first night \$30, \$20 for the following nights. Stalls are normally \$10 per night but BCHMO attendees will be charged \$5. Paddocks are normally \$12.50 but we will be charged \$6.25. Wi-Fi is available in the lounge and they have arranged for a local Pastor (Pastor Cal) for Sunday morning. Golden Hills announced that they will be closing mid-November for hunting season.
- C. P & P Final document – Sue Maynard. Document has been updated and will be published in PDF format. Distribution method will be determined after approval by the Board of Directors.

Action item - Sue Maynard to send to the Board of Directors, officers and committee chairs.

D. TMI Update (Marsha Copeland)

1) Tornado Ridge met with Marsha – the proper forms have been completed. Jane Duskal advised she had issued \$508.76 check. Michelle Rager and Jodi Schlup told Jane that they were going to donate the \$508.76 back to BCHMO but as of this meeting she hasn't heard anything further.

2) Indian Trails chapter is not meeting due to Covid 19. Chapter leader Earlyne Wagner spoke to Becki Krueger. They have not requested any funds yet.

3) Brownfield chapter hasn't sent volunteer hours as they are waiting on the delivery of picnic tables. Some receipts have been turned in.

4) River Springs chapter has received their \$1000 but receipts still need to be submitted.

5) Discussion about the process of submitting receipts, approval of TMIs prior to payment.

Discussion was held over on how to proceed with uncompleted TMIs. In the recent past it has been the practice to extend TMIs to the following business year but BCHMO guidelines call for all TMIs to end at the end of the business year.

Action item - Marsha will contact Jody Schlup (Tornado Ridge). All TMI open projects will be advised to complete or resubmit.

Action item - Marsha, Maury and Jane revisit TMI program to prepare for January BOD meeting.

E. Facebook Donation Button (Paula) – Due to Paula's absence this will be reviewed at the next meeting.

F. Greensfelder Ride (Becki and Jane) Weekend ride. The park has approved side by sides. The Park Manager has advised that they will waive fees for their 9 electric sites. There is also quite a few primitive sites. They have identified a need for certified sawyers. Yet to be decided on whether this will be a state sponsored or chapter sponsored event – this will be determined at the January meeting.

Action item - Jane will continue to work with the Park Manager on a potential springtime event.

G. Golden Hills Saturday Evening Dinner cost overrun (Becki) – at the last board meeting dinner cost was approved at \$12 per dinner. Golden Hills has advised the price will be \$12.95. Based on estimated attendance this would mean a cost increase of approx. \$76. Jane Duskal advised that Publications didn't use all of their budgeted funds due to the changes in newsletter delivery.

Motion to approve increased cost of \$12.95 per dinner, Seconded, Passed, Unanimously.

H. 2021 State Sponsored Events –

- o March Upper Current River BGH March 20
- o Ozark Spring Round up March 26-28
- o National Board Meeting at Kansas City April 25 – 28
- o Earth Day April 22
- o National Trails Day June 5
- o Ed Copeland Memorial Cleanup Ride June 10-11
- o Brushy Creek Membership Fun Ride June 12-13
- o Land Managers Ride June 14
- o National Public Lands Day September 25
- o Annual Membership Meeting November 6th location TBD.

7. New Business:

- A. Officer and Board Member Nominations (Becki, Maury and Paula) Darrel Vaughn (Brownfield) for President; Robert Phillips (Heartland) for Vice President; Kathy Jaeger (South Central) for Secretary; Jane Doskal (Indian Trails) for Treasurer; Nominees for the board – Becki Krueger (NEMO), Ray Maynard (River Springs) and Larry Dishman (Tri-Lakes). Board members completing their term in 2021 - Vicki Clark, Sherry Copeland, Paula Hull, and Maury Mertz.

Motion to approve the proposed slate of officers and board members to be presented to the membership at the Annual Membership Meeting. Seconded, Passed, Unanimously.

- B. Introduction of membership coordinator (Shannon Stewart / Tri-Lakes)
- C. MTNF 5 Year Recreational Facilities Strategy (Darrel) – Comment period has been extended through Oct. 17th. Details on the plan can be found at: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/mtnf/home/?cid=FSEPRD735169> with further information about the extension period at: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/mtnf/news-events/?cid=FSEPRD757363>. Send your comments to Darrel for consolidation and submittal for BCHMO. Members are also welcome to give their own personal feedback. We need to give specifics – some suggestions are to have at least 25 miles of trails at each location; vault toilet at Cole Creek; enlarge parking lots; install hitching posts, high lines, and/or mounting blocks; signs designating equestrian camping only; vault toilet at Irish Wilderness; increased use of Avenza maps by creating PDF maps with geo point references. .
- D. GAOA (Deferred Maintenance Projects) (Sherry) - BCHMO will need to contact both Forest Service and National Land Managers to determine potential projects. The 2022 budget is our opportunity for submitting requests for trail maintenance (no new projects).
- E. Windshield Sun Shade Purchase (Maury) Requested \$312.50 for 25 shields that have the BCHMO logo.

Motion to approve spending \$312.50, Seconded, Passed, Unanimously.

- F1. Maury asked for group discussion on the importance and need for membership cards.

Motion to discontinue providing membership cards. Seconded, Passed with opposition.

- F2. Maury advised that BCHMO membership coordinator currently sends out 5 business cards with each new/renewal membership. This practice will continue as it ensures that members have a tangible item to show that they are members.

8. Announcements and Kudos

- A. Kudos to all those submitted in the nomination process.

9. Next meeting and adjournment

- A. Tentative Next meeting will be January 7th, 2020 at Denny's in Rolla at 10:00 AM.

MOTION to adjourn, Seconded, Passed, Unanimously 1: 36 PM