

Back Country Horsemen of Missouri
Board of Directors Meeting
Monday April 12th, 2021 10:00 a.m.
Perkins Restaurant, Jefferson City, MO

1. Meeting Called to Order by Vicki Clark, Chair at 10:03 a.m.
 - A. Roll Call:
Directors: Chair – Vicki Clark; Recording Secretary – Becki Krueger; Larry Dishman; Sherry Copeland; Paula Hull; Eldon Kreisel; and Ray Maynard.
Officers: President – Darrell Vaughan; Secretary – Kathy Jaeger; Treasurer – Jane Dosal.
Committee Chairs: Education/Expansion – Marsha Copeland; Publications – Paula Hull;
Volunteer Service Coordinator – Robin Vaughan.
Members: Lynette Miller, Jeanne Crosby, and Phyllis Rowe.
 - B. Excuse Absentees: Robert Phillips- Vice President.
 - C. Agenda Adjustments: Update on Vice President by Darrel Vaughan; Contact Order by Sherry Copeland.
2. Approval of January 18, 2021 Minutes
Correction: Page 1, Section 4, Subsection E: A family membership will continue to be counted as two (2) members;
Correction: National Board Meeting – scheduled to be in Kansas City, but there is a 90% probability that it will be held via ZOOM. Decision will be made in February. The Live Auction will be held via ZOOM. One (1) auction item from each state is being requested.
Motion was made to accept the minutes, with the corrections. Second. Motion unanimously approved.
3. Officer Reports:
President – (Darrel Vaughan) – written report submitted
Vice President – Robert Phillips is resigning his position due to health issues.
Action Alert: Paula will send an Action Alert out to the membership to see if there is any interest in running for this position. Contact will be Darrel Vaughan.
Motion was made to approve Robert Phillips resignation. Second. Motion unanimously approved.
Treasurer – (Jane Dosal) – FaceBook Donations: Paula and Jane’s records show a different amount, but it is all in the timing of when it was received. Concern: \$100 under Administrative Expense (Missouri Horse Council membership dues); TMI Grants – shows \$2000, it should be \$2500 and TMI Other should show \$650. Take out the word, ‘Grants’.
Motion was made to accept revised budget showing a net income of \$1415.00 Second. Motion unanimously approved. Jane will post that Trails End Chapter will receive the \$75.00 that Maury Mertz donated for the State Fair parade. It will come from the ‘Cash’ column.
Motion was made to accept the treasurers report, with corrections. Second. Motion unanimously approved.
 - D. Secretary Report – (Kathy Jaeger) Kathy is still unsure of all of the duties of secretary. She has been in contact with Becki and is working to familiarize herself with her duties. She is confused on the difference between Secretary and Recording Secretary.

4. Standing Committees

A. Publications and Promotions – (Paula Hull) Written report submitted.

She is working on an informational pamphlet. One idea is a tear off tablet that can be left at businesses.

Webmaster, Ray Maynard is getting 'bounce back' when sending emails to the membership. Darrel will contact Chapter leaders with the names of members who are not getting emails. Phyllis will provide Darrel with that list.

Discussion of Lynette Miller as At Large Coordinator. Question: when did that get done?

Answer: Becki appointed Lynette to that position when she was President.

Motion to amend the Policies and Procedure Manual to include 'At Large Coordinator', that will have the same duties as Chapter leader. Second. Motion Unanimously approved.

B. Service – (Robin Vaughan) Written report submitted.

Mtn. Riders does not have a VSH coordinator.

C. Education and Expansion – (Marsha Copeland) Written report submitted.

Question on the LAD foundation and BCHMO working to replace the doors on the Bluff School and Big Creek. Is this a Tri-Lakes project or a BCHMO project? Marsha indicated it would be a BCHMO project. (Yes, it could be if others {meaning other than Tri-Lakes Chapter members} worked on it). LAD Foundation will provide funding and have the doors built to closely resemble the original doors.

D. Public Lands – (Darrel Vaughan)

USFS – Recreation Fees – Paddy Creek Horse camp does not charge fees.

ONSR – we are waiting on a Trails and Roads Plan which could come out by May 1st, and will include a 30 day comment period. BCHMO will be working alongside ONSR on this plan. An Action alert will be sent to the membership after the alternative plans are sent out. ONSR has a lot of GAOA monies. Kathy will look into GAOA projects at Cedar Grove along with Friends of Mt. Zion.

E. BCHA – (Sherry Copeland)

BCHA will be revising committees after the NBM. They need volunteers to serve on the national committees, so she is asking that the BOD and Officers be looking for 'Stand Out' individuals to ask to be on those committees.

BCHA membership is down 10%, with some states down as much as 50%.

There is a lack of response when Action Alerts are sent out on the national level.

LUNCH BREAK

5. Old Business:

A. Ozark Trail Skills College (Darrel Vaughan) – the committee meets once a month. They are expecting 64 participants, with the OTA allotted 30 spots; BCHMO – 22 spots; COMOTO – 4 spots; West Plains Bike Club – 4 spots; Poplar Bluff Trails Club – 4 spots. They are estimating a total of 80 people (Volunteers and staff included).

Dates: September 17-19, 2021. Location: Brushy Creek Lodge and Resort, Black, MO.

The USFS is allowing 16 NEW chainsaw certifications (not recertifications), which will be a 2 day course. CPR/First Aid training will be on Friday.

BCHMO will purchase and prepare the meals, the USFS will allot \$1400.00 to purchase the supplies to prepare the meals. We will prepare Friday (snack), Saturday (3 meals) and Sunday (1 meal).

B. TMI Program (Marsha Copeland and Darrel Vaughan)

Marsha gave an overview of the program and what its original intention was. In the 8 years that the program has been running there have been 30 approved projects.

Discussion about the 'swing date' for 2021, but it will not be used in 2022.

Discussion on what chapters will be eligible to apply for the TMI's. Response – every chapter will be able to apply.

Darrel gave an update on the TAP committee meeting. Does BCHMO want the working group to continue developing the TAP program?

Action Item: Darrel appointed Ray Maynard as TAP chair. He will set up his committee and bring it back to the July Board meeting.

PayPal Account – we have discussed starting a PayPal account in the past. Ray will research what we need to do to set up an account.

Motion to set up PayPal account and make a membership form available. Second.

Motion to delay implementation until details are confirmed at the July Board meeting.

Second. Approved. Committee: Ray Maynard, Jane Doskal and Vicki Clark.

Phyllis Rowe stated there is a discrepancy on how many memberships are paid versus not paid. She will work with Shannon Stewart (Membership Coordinator) and Darrel Vaughan to get the unpaid members names to the Chapter leaders so that THEY can contact those members.

- C. BCHA NBM – (Sherry Copeland) This report will be discussed later in this meeting.
- D. Land Managers Ride – June 14th. (Darrel Vaughan) He will get back to the board in the next 2 weeks with the details. (COVID restrictions may limit which agencies will be able to participate)
- E. Check Posting Procedure – (Jane Doskal and Shannon Stewart) Jane stated that it is not going any better.

6. New Business:

A. Chainsaw Certification – (Darrel Vaughan) Eighteen (18) members want to be newly certified, twelve (12) members want to be recertified. BCHA is working to get BCHMO members to be certified trainers.

B. Annual Membership Meeting – November 6th. (Darrel Vaughan) The Survey that was sent out to members via the Chapter leaders shows 19 wanted a meeting at a horse camp; 9 preferred a hotel setting; and 9 did not care. Some of the board members stated that they did not receive the survey. It was sent out to the Chapter leaders and it was up to them to get it out to their membership.

The working group had 4 campsites that met the qualifications – Panther Creek, Brushy Creek, North Fork River Ranch, and Pinecrest. The working group recommends the Annual Membership meeting be held at Panther Creek.

Motion to have Panther Creek host the Annual Membership meeting on November 6th, 2021 and have our live auction held at Brushy Creek at the Membership Ride on June 12th, 2021. Second. Passed with one abstaining.

- C. Second Signature on Checking account – (Jane Doskal) Jane believes there needs to be a second signature. Janet Karrenbrock is the second signature now. This was approved at the January Board meeting.
 - D. Communications – Let it be known that the Board Members, Officers and Committee Chairs should get all communications, i.e. Chapter reports, committee reports, officer reports, that are sent out prior to the Board meeting.
7. Chapter Reports:
Written reports were submitted for: Ridge Runner; Cuivre River; South Central; Trails End; Indian Trails; Brownfield; NEMO; Tri-Lakes; Heartland; Mtn. Riders; and River Springs. No report from Tornado Ridge.
8. State Events:
- A. Ed Copeland Memorial Cleanup Ride – June 10-11 @ Brushy Creek Lodge
 - B. Annual Membership Appreciation Ride – June 12 @ Brushy Creek Lodge
 - C. Land Managers Ride – June 14 @ Brushy Creek Lodge
 - D. Annual Membership Meeting – November 6 @ Panther Creek
9. Other New Business:
- A. BCHA National Board meeting will be held April 26-28 and can be seen FaceBook Live. Sherry asked 'What can YOU do for BCHA?' Answer: Be active on a National committee. Darrel will participate on the Regional Roundtable meeting via ZOOM.

Sherry Copeland verbally put in her resignation as BCHMO Director, effective at the conclusion of the meeting, as she anticipates being voted into the BCHA Chair position.

Motion was made to accept the resignation of Sherry Copeland. Second. Unanimously approved.

Sherry suggested that Marsha Copeland step up to refill the Board position.

Motion was made to appoint Marsha Copeland to the position until the Annual Membership meeting in November, at which time the term will end. All will pursue active recruitment from the membership, for the position. Second. 3 Aye, 3 Nay. Question: Who did not vote? Answer: Sherry then cast her vote making the results 4 Aye, 3 Nay.

Discussion on voting procedure....there is a concern that having several board members from the same chapter as directors could make it hard/easy to pass motions. Should we rewrite the By-Laws so there is a limit on the number of directors from any one chapter? Some agreed that that is a good idea, but there is a struggle getting people to run for the positions of Directors and Officers even now. Question: we are in no hurry to fill the Vice Presidents position, why can we not wait to fill the Directors position until we can poll the membership and see if anyone is willing to run for the vacant position? Answer: Marsha Copeland is more than qualified, why wait, and who else has shown an interest in the past?

10. Announcements and Kudos
11. Next meeting will be July 12th, @ 10:00 a.m. at Denny's Restaurant in Rolla, MO.
Motion was made to Adjourn. Second.

Respectfully Submitted,
Becki Krueger
Recording Secretary, BCHMO