

BCHMO BOD Meeting Minutes July 10, 2023 FINAL

(Reviewed and corrected on October 16, 2023)

July 10, 2023

Perkins Restaurant, Jefferson City, MO

1. Call to order Chairman Becki Krueger 10:26 a.m.
 - A. Introduction and welcome to Julie Irwin who is organizing a new chapter forming primarily for Greensfelder Park, a St. Louis County Park in Allenton, MO.

Roll Call: Julie Irwin, Jane Doskal, Lynette Miller, Becki Krueger, Kathy Jaeger, Mary Lamar, Cherie Eppler, Maury Mertz, Sherry Copeland, Paula Hull
 - B. Motion Maury Mertz/Lynette Miller to excuse absentees Ray Maynard and Pat Reinebach, motion carried.
 - C. Agenda adjustments:
 - *Add OLD BUSINESS 6.F.: Cedar Ridge
 - **Add NEW BUSINESS 7.G.: Annual MDC Roundtable.
 - ***Add NEW BUSINESS 7.H.: Challenge Cost Share Agreement
 - ****Add NEW BUSINESS 7.I.: MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) renewals due
2. Motion to approve April 3, 2023 Minutes Lynette Miller/Paula Hull, motion carried.
3. OFFICER REPORTS
 - A. Treasurer Jane Doskal:
 - I. Largest expenses (Annual dues to BCHA and National Board Meeting expenses) are paid.
 - II. See Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual for January through June 2023 and Balance Sheet as of June 30, 2023 submitted by email and on file.
 - III. \$4435.00 for BCHMO Chainsaw Recertifications completed at Brushy Creek in

2023 was paid directly by USFS to BCHA and did not go through BCHMO account.

B. Secretary Kathy Jaeger: All 2022 BOD Approved Minutes and updated Policies & Procedures are now on www.bchmo.org website.

Motion Maury Mertz/Lynette Miller to approve Officer Reports, motion carried.

4. STANDING AND AD HOC COMMITTEES

A. Publications (Paula Hull):

1. Next deadline for October 2023 newsletter report is 9/1/23.
2. Note that Paula's October 2023 BCHMO newsletter publication will be her last.
3. Need new Publications Chair who will be responsible for decisions re future newsletters

B. Education & Expansion (Lynette Miller and Julie Irwin handling for new chapters)

C. Service (Ray Maynard) No report

D. Public Lands (Maury Mertz) No new updates from Maury. Becki Krueger mentioned a new Senate Bill "The Lakes Act" that is in development. It is intended to allow recreation fees to be collected and retained in their own areas.

E. National Directors (Becki Krueger, Lynette Miller, Pat Reinebach) published summary Article in the BCHMO newsletter.

F. BCHA (Sherry Copeland): 2024 National Board Meeting planned for an earlier date March in Casper, Wyoming

G. Missouri Horse Council (Lynette Miller participates in monthly phone call)

1. American Royal and Missouri State Fairgrounds updates
2. Missouri Department of Agriculture updates re changes to equestrian travel regulations

H. Membership (Sue Maynard) No report but has completed major membership list cleanup.

Sherry Copeland recognized that Chapter leaders are now only receiving their own chapter membership details in membership reports. Some members had concerns with privacy so it was decided that the entire membership list would no longer be shared with all chapters.

I. By-Laws (Maury Mertz) New approved By-Laws Version 3 updated on June 10, 2023.

Only change from previous Version 2 is that family membership vote has increased from 1 to 2 votes in a proposal and vote at the June 2023 Special Membership meeting.

5. CHAPTER REPORTS (Articles for newsletter were accepted as chapter reports)

Motion Paula Hull, Lynette Miller to approve chapter reports. Motion carried.

6. OLD BUSINESS

A. Mark Twain National Forest/Ozark Trail Cleanup Ride (Jane Doskal): 39 people attended with the Indian Trails Chapter extremely well represented and lots of trails cleared.

Many thanks to John Stewart for cooking the meat and to all those that brought carry-in sides.

B. New By-Laws (Version 3) are now on www.bchmo.org website thanks to Ray Maynard

1. New chapter directors and alternates must be elected by September 30, 2023 Annual Membership Meeting and before October Board of Directors Meeting.

2. Chapters represented at today's meeting include NEMO (Becki Krueger), Tri-Lakes (Sherry Copeland), Ridge Runners (Cherie Eppler), Heartland (Mary Lamar), South Central (Kathy Jaeger and Maury Mertz), and River Springs (Paula Hull)

C. Policies & Procedures updates and job descriptions pending completion (Kathy Jaeger). Note:

These will be added in appendix form which will avoid need for edits of full document.

1. Secretary
 2. Education & Expansion
 3. Chapter Membership Coordinator
- D. Renewal of UEI/SAM required to apply for USFS grants (Maury Mertz working on these)
1. UEI = Unique Entity Identity
 2. SAM is similar to UEI but unique to USFS per Maury
- E. Proposal to Reduce Cash Asset (Jennifer Wolf's presentation at April 2023 BOD meeting) to be addressed asap by new expanded Board of Directors when in place. Treasurer Jane Doskal expressed concern with loss of revenue if dues are decreased.
- F. * AGENDA ADDITION #1 CEDAR RIDGE HORSE CAMP. BCHA has issued a general position statement in support of USFS re undesignated trails. It is understood that members may disagree personally. Caution is requested of all BCHMO members to avoid expressing personal opinions that might be misconceived as a representation of BCHMO.

7. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Two new chapters forming.
1. "Rockwoods Range" (tentative chapter name) is being organized by Julie Irwin
 - a. Plan to issue invitations for a local Meet & Greet on July 19 or July 29, 2023
 - b. Location "Poor Richards" restaurant at 7 p.m.
 - c. Becki Krueger and Kathy Jaeger could attend and co-host the organizational meeting on July 19. Maury Mertz and Jane Doskal could attend and co-host if on July 29. Julie Irwin will update asap.
 2. "Southwest Chapter" (Lynette Miller)
 - a. Option for At-Large Members
 - b. Lynette has approximately 16 members pledged for new chapter

Note: Becki Krueger asks chapters to vote for Chapter Director and Alternate approval by

August 15, 2023 so that new chapters will have been recognized and be able to vote at the Annual Membership Meeting on September 30, 2023.

Note: Paula Hull advises that the Chapter Guide needs to be reviewed and updated when new chapters have been approved.

B. Chapter fundraising/BCHMO Treasury

1. Becki Krueger received inquiry re tax implications. To her knowledge, only organizations with greater than \$50,000 gross receipts have tax implications.
2. Inquiry to be finalized at 2023 Annual Membership Meeting

C. Publications Chair Search: See Publications Committee Report for details

D. "Tread Lightly" and "Leave No Trace" both used in BCHMO statements re our environmental impact. BCHA will share Tread Lightly literature with BCHMO.

1. The phrase "Tread Lightly" was developed by the Motorized Vehicle community. BCHMO is invited by the Motorized Vehicle community to work together re shared trails and signage.
2. See Maury Mertz, Becki Krueger, and Ray Maynard for more info.

E. 2023 BCHMO Annual Membership Meeting (Becki Krueger, Lynette Miller, Maury Mertz, Jane Doskal, Kathy Jaeger)

1. Picture board vs. Oral presentations? BOD favors picture board.
2. Banquet vs. Carry-In potluck? Motion Maury Mertz/Paula Hull for Banquet at maximum \$22.00 per meal. Motion carried.
3. Live +/- Silent Auction? Motion Maury Mertz/Mary Lamar to limit Auction to Silent Auction only. Motion carried with opposition.
4. Do we need to send a letter to Chapter Leaders explaining new By-Laws and Director selection and responsibilities prior to 2023 Annual Membership Meeting? BOD consensus is that such a letter is no longer needed since all have access to new By-Laws on website.
5. BCHA membership dues increase of \$5.00 requires ratification by states to make it officially

valid. A majority vote by the 32 states can override the National decision.

a. Motion Paula Hull/Lynette Miller that BCHMO NOT raise BCHMO dues in 2024 but should absorb any increase approved at the national level. Majority vote is NAY!

b. Motion restated Maury Mertz/Lynette Miller that BCHMO DOES NOT support the ratification of dues increase to BCHA at this time. Majority vote is AYE, motion passes. Becki Krueger and Lynette Miller will notify BCHA of BCHMO position.

F. Land Managers Ride June 10, 2024 at Brushy Creek. Suggestions for specific land manager invitations welcomed but formal invitations must go through the Agency supervisors.

G. **Agenda Addition #2: Annual MDC Roundtable is on October 11 and October 12 2023. Maury Mertz and Sherry Copeland plan to attend.

H. ***Agenda Addition #3: Challenge Cost Share Agreement with USFS (Maury Mertz)

I. ****Agenda Addition #4: MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) renewals. Maury Mertz will review and bring back to BOD.

J. *****New business item Agenda Addition #5 per Lynette Miller: MDC Special Use Permits for groups of more than ten riders are now issued online and require 30 days notice.

8. BCHMO Annual Membership Meeting confirmed for September 30, 2023 at Brushy Creek Lodge. Committee: Jane Dosal, Kathy Jaeger, Maury Mertz, Lynette Miller, Becki Krueger

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS & KUDOS: TREMENDOUS THANKS TO OUR OUTGOING PUBLICATION CHAIR PAULA HULL AFTER 9 YEARS OF SERVICE AND OUR OUTGOING TREASURER JANE DOSKAL AFTER 5 YEARS OF SERVICE!

10. Next Board of Directors meeting October 16, 2023 at 10 a.m. at Denny's Restaurant, Rolla, MO.

MOTION TO ADJOURN MARY LAMAR/LYNETTE MILLER 2:57 P.M., MOTION PASSED AND MEETING
ADJOURNED.