

Meeting Date: April 19, 2012

Location/Time: POA Pines Library – 6-9PM

Attendees: Ken Knull, Glenn O'Dell, Nick Repanich, Mike Rich, Traci Brenneman, Dan Foshee, Jim & Debbie Earl, Bob & Patsy Colby, Jeremy Wilson, and Tim Jacobson

Topics of Discussion

1) Treasurer's Report - Traci Brenneman

- a) Provided accounting schedules for 2011. Based on totals (under \$50K), "e-postcard" filing is sufficient with the IRS (State and Federal). Filing complete as of April 2012.
 - a.i) Non-Grant Funds on hand as of December 31, 2011 = \$1,736.81.
- b) Provided accounting schedules for 1st Quarter 2012.
 - b.i) Non-Grant Funds on hand as of March 31, 2012 = \$1,989.51.

2) Adopt-a-Trail Report - Nick Repanich

- a) Low fire ring at Long Lake needs to be fixed.
- b) Flat fire ring at Morris Lake needs to be fixed.
- c) Add 5-10 fire rings at Campbell Lake.
- d) A fire ring was placed on the South Side, but we have not been able to locate
- e) Looking for a club to take over Pipejam for the workday.
- f) Main focus continues to be lining rock holes and controlling erosion.

Looking for a new Adopt-a-Trail leader - Nick will keep participating as he can until we find a replacement

Trail Patrol Report - Jim Earl

- g) Next Meeting is May 10th at 6 PM.
 - g.i) Law Enforcement Officer will be present.
 - g.ii) "Education" is the key focus.
- h) Fire permits are required (even at designated campsites/fire rings).
 - (h.i.1) Permits can be obtained online.
 - (h.i.2) Citations CAN be issued to those without a permit.

- i) Spill Kits - 800-900 are available for distribution.
- j) Scheduling - Calendar is online and available for use.
- k) There is concern over the name "Trail Patrol"
 - k.i) Motion by Glenn O'Dell to change the name to "Trail Ambassadors"
 - k.ii) Motion seconded by Nick Repanich **Membership Report - Tim Jacobson**
- l) Membership
 - l.i) Tim Jacobson is willing to take over Membership responsibility
 - (l.i.1) Will contact Ken Bachellerie regarding maintenance of the membership database.
 - (l.i.2) Membership list was converted from an Excel spreadsheet/paper to a Database.
- m) Merchandise
 - m.i) Postage will be added to the cost of shipping merchandise (e.g. hoodies, shirts, etc).
 - (m.i.1) To date there has been no charge for shipping, however FOTHL cannot afford to cover that expense any longer.
 - m.ii) Tim will assess what additional merchandise needs to be purchased for the Summer season.

3) Fund Raising - Jeremy Wilson

- a) Jeremy to contact Michelle Ahern to determine if any permits are needed.
 - a.i) General belief is that we are exempt from such requirement.
- b) Membership Dues
 - b.i) Per discussion at last meeting, the group agrees that dues would be voluntary.
 - (b.i.1) \$10/individual.
 - (b.i.2) \$25/family.
 - (b.i.3) This was discussed and decided at last meeting, need to see notes to confirm.
 - b.ii) Decals to be provided to those who have paid dues.
- c) BBQ at the Moak's

c.i) Pete and Peggy offered to host a fund raising event at their property.

(c.i.1) Concern is that this event would interfere with Opening/Closing events. Final decision, not approved.

d) Poker Run

d.i) Late July – Early August (date still not set).

d.ii) Limited invite for first run (trial run).

d.iii) Need to determine route (up or down Pipejam?).

e) Truck Show at Bambi Inn

e.i) Hosted by Larry at Bambi Inn.

e.ii) Proceeds to benefit FOTHL.

f) Public Lands Day

f.i) Not to be a fund raising event

(f.i.1) Too many crews are too far away from Spring Valley to make the trek out for dinner/raffle and then back to camp after working all day

g) Chili Feed

g.i) Snow fall/Christmas tree cutting fund raiser

g.ii) Location to be determined, Butte Meadows is a suggestion

4) Miscellaneous

a) Glenn O'Dell tendered resignation as President. **All groups will ask for volunteers. We need a President. Vice President Gary McElroy has resigned, We also need a Vice President.**

b) No grant requests were submitted for 2013-2014

b.i) We will get some Storrie Fire funds in lieu of a grant for that time period.

b.ii) Traci Brenneman will get up to speed to help with grant writing for the next time period.

b.iii) Lack of grant funds does not mean that we cease operation as a group, just that we are selective in our efforts.

c) Participation

c.i) There is a noticeable decline in participation by the group

c.ii) Would trail closures 'encourage' more participation?

(c.ii.1) The group does not agree that trail closure is a solution to declining participation.