

BHMBA Minutes

February 18, 2011

Board Members present: Ed Engler, Roger St. Pierre, Chris Teeslink, Cathy Matthesen, and Jason Kingsbury

Agenda for Annual Public Meeting:

Welcome: Ed Engler

Information meeting started by Ed Engler. Club history—in the last decade from an event organization to a trail construction group; highlighted HLMP and Chuck Lein park/dirt jump and skills park/Buzzards Roost trail project with BHMBA and Forest Service. Trails in need of constant care: erosion, garbage. We are a well rounded organization. Highlights of 2010 include: spring social, calendar of events sponsored by Lisa Gustin, Tami Christoffersen& Lisa Lundstrom; trailer update; tours at Fat Tire Festival; Black Hills Gravity group at Terry Peak; Skyline 150 acres and parks and rec with BHMBA and BHRC to develop skyline drive granted funds and start in next two years. 2011 will include social, tour guides for Fat Tire, Terry Peak days and start Skyline drive. Ride your bike, join in on a work day, join the BHMBA, join a committee of interest, file a member application; thanks everyone for being here; special thanks to Alan C for the website and forum

Board Introductions with 3-minute responses:

Chris Teeslink: Vice-president/Race committee: Will be focusing on racing; sign up and see what's going on

Cathy Matthesen: Secretary/Drty Grlz committee contact

Roger St. Pierre: Treasurer/ Membership & Social committee contact

Roger brings a background of financial strength; committee structure implemented; stop by and see him for financials; also in charge of membership; social in next 6 weeks and also have membership signup;

Jason Kingsbury: Member/Trail Building contact

Trail builder in Omaha and Wisconsin; moved here for trails; idea of trail leaders for each major system

Open Discussion:

Brent Kurtzman: be nice to board; board at a crossroads; don't change bylaws because seem to be working and protect best interest of the BHMBA; we should be grateful recipients in terms of land management; challenges everyone to go the extra mile

Kelly Halter: not enemy of the board; apologizes for last year on his behavior; asks others who know they should apologize; Buzzards Roost—a travesty; Dirt Jump Park—thanks to Chris Treinen;

Rebuttal

Joseph S: requests made being met; wants to make sure that doing the good for the community done; would like members voted on with open elections; associate members versus members and wants changes to this

Alex Washburn: moved from Idaho; thanks everyone for trails; member of BH Climber Coalition; likes their organizations; open meeting once a month idea

Chris Treinen: question on bylaws; associate members; wants answers on Buzzards Roost and how many hours of volunteer;

Samuel Greer: thanks to volunteers and board; nobody expecting overnight change; wants a more member directed organization; more transparency

Jerry Cole: fairgrounds with camping; races; downhill; volunteer day in May; last year he will be leading the BH Festival; 2013 will be start of funding for Skyline; volunteers and DOC will be key components will require lots of hand work

Andy Long: Black Hills Runners Club; explained how their organization works

Lisa Lundstrom: negative vibe on forum not acceptable; does not want that and wants to come together again; promote mountain biking

Gary Haven: charter member of BHMBA; amazed to see change over years

Tim Brumbaugh: What is the mission statement of the BHMBA? It is on the forum.

Responses by Board Members:

By-Laws: not going to change the by-laws; we are in a transitional phase;

Board Membership: discussion open and welcome candidates

Buzzards Roost trail needs to be completed; trail equipment with forms, documentation of hours etc...;

Meeting adjourned

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Matthesen
BHMBA Secretary