

MINUTES
PWV BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
August 16, 2012 – 6:30 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

Board Members present: Archy Archuleta, Kathy Burgess, Mike Corbin, Don Creager, Sandy Erskine, Jerry Hanley, Bob Manuel, Meg Parmer, Karl Ritters, Jim Shaklee, Martha Shepard, Cathy Trout and Kevin Cannon (*USFS Liaison*).

Board Members absent: Scott Ackerman and Mike Shaddy.

Advisory Board members present: Jacques Rieux and Garin VanDeMark.

PWV members present: David Fanning, Joan Kauth and Mark Sickles.

AGENDA. The agenda was accepted.

MINUTES. The July minutes were accepted as presented.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS.

A) **CHAIR KARL RITERS.** Karl reported on the 2-day event at Pingree Park with the **25 Iraqi students.** Day 1 included an introduction and a look at the situation in Iraq. Day 2 included trail building/maintenance, and demonstrated women in leadership. Karl Ritters, Joan Kauth, Chuck Bell, Jacques Rieux, Fred Allen, Dave Cantrell, Amy Williams, Bob Manuel and Judah Melton were on hand from PWV. Karl noted the **recent and upcoming PWV events**, including new member get together, volunteer fire fundraiser, New West Fest, first fire restoration work on Grey Rock Trail on August 4, fire restoration work on Hewlett Gulch this Saturday, and Year-End Event to be held October 21. Invitations have been sent out by Evite.

JOAN KAUTH was presented with a Certificate of Appreciation for major contributions to PWV efforts, i.e., most mentor patrols, trail crew (802 trees cleared), weed crew (36 days), and website development and maintenance.

MARK SICKLES was recognized for outstanding contributions to PWV in teaching classes in Winter survival, XC skiing and backpacking as part of Supplemental Training.

B) **LIAISON KEVIN CANNON.** Kevin reported that Hewlett Gulch restoration should be completed this Saturday; and both Grey Rock and Hewlett Gulch trails should be open next week. Work is being done on the upper areas; there are plenty trails closed and more to follow because of falling trees; aerial mulching is being done with the hope of completion before Winter. The Forest Service has cleared 1400 trees this year. Long Draw Road will close August 22 thru 2013. A memo will be issued on cutting trees with cross-cut saws, unless certified on usage. As an aside, one fire fighter was killed in Utah while clearing trees.

C) **TREASURER'S REPORT.** In Margaret Shaklee's absence, Martha Shepard reported we are still searching for a treasurer. The candidate who was being considered was unable to take the position at this time. **A motion was made, seconded and carried,** as follows:

Move that KATHY BURGESS be appointed to serve as Acting Treasurer until a new treasurer is appointed by the Board.

Kathy Burgess explained the comparison of the budget vs. money spent by PWV for 2012 as of July 31, 2012. She showed an overhead, and will Email that to the Board members and Committee Chairs. There is some \$59,500 cash in the bank accounts, divided among unrestricted, endowment and restricted funds. Karl Ritters requested a report of available funds be presented at each Board meeting.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

A) **BUDGET COMMITTEE (FINANCE COMMITTEE).** Martha Shepard explained the roles and functions of a finance committee. She reported Diane McQuaid was appointed by the Committee as the bookkeeper. **A motion was made to rename this committee, and it was seconded and adopted:**

Move the name of the Budget Committee be changed to the FINANCE COMMITTEE, and that MARTHA SHEPARD be appointed as Chair of the Finance Committee.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS. None.

NEW BUSINESS.

A) **TEN-YEAR SERVICE AWARD.** Cathy Trout presented a proposal for the 10-year award, and passed to the Board a picture of the emblem proposed for that recognition. After some discussion, **a motion was made, seconded and carried** as follows:

The 10-Year Service Award shall be a lapel pin and/or an enlarged name badge. Design of the lapel pin to be proposed by Member Recognition & Awards' Committee Chair and approved by the Board at the next Board meeting if order lead time is sufficient to have pins for Year-End Event by October 21, 2012. If order lead time requires earlier decision, that decision shall be made by Executive Committee.

B) **AWARDS' COMMITTEE (MEMBER RECOGNITION & AWARDS' COMMITTEE).** Cathy Trout presented a slide showing the proposed changes to the Awards' procedure, explained the reasoning for the proposed changes, and asked for comments. The full context of the Member Recognition and Awards Committee function and procedures was E-mailed to Board members prior to the meeting. **A motion was made, seconded, amended and carried** as follows:

Move the Board adopt the MEMBER RECOGNITION and AWARDS document as revised August 2012 and amended at the Board meeting. The amendment adds a third category of \$10 gift certificates for hiking, riding, and overnight patrols. This will replace the AWARDS document listed in the Procedures' section of the Organization Handbook, under "Operations".

C) **REVISION OF BYLAWS.** Karl Ritters displayed the full text of the Bylaws and proposed changes/updates on overhead screen and explained the need for the changes suggested by the review committee. He then explained the reasoning for each of the 17 proposed changes. There was discussion on some proposed changes, but all proposed changes were agreed to, except one which will go back to the review committee. In addition, there was a motion made to delete the word “consecutive” pertaining to removal of Board members who fail to attend 3 consecutive meeting, but that motion failed.

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.

Meg K. Parmer, Secretary

Next Board Meeting: **September 20, 2012, 6:30 pm**