

**MINUTES**  
**PWV BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING**  
**March 21, 2013 – 6:30 p.m.**

**ATTENDANCE**

**Board Members present:** Archy Archuleta, Judy Christensen, Richard Clopper, Mike Corbin, Sandy Erskine, Jerry Hanley, Bob Manuel, Meg Parmer, Martha Shepard, Cathy Trout and Kevin Cannon (USFS).

**Board Members absent:** Kathy Burgess, David Fanning and Karl Ritters.

**Advisory Board members present:** Chuck Bell, Dave Cantrell and Bob Hansen.

**PWV members present:** Sandy Sticken.

**AGENDA.** The agenda was accepted as presented.

**MINUTES.** The February minutes were accepted as presented.

**REPORTS OF OFFICERS.**

**A) CHAIR BOB MANUEL.** Bob Manuel reported on his search for a venue for the Annual Meeting and Year-End Event. He is still waiting for a quote from the Hilton. Jerry Hanley offered to follow up in person with the Hilton.

**B) LIAISON KEVIN CANNON.** Kevin gave an overview on various projects and how they will be handled. There are lots of trees that have been dead for between 5 and 10 years and are now falling. Adjustments will need to be made on the requirements for SPOTS and radio use.

**C) TREASURER REPORT.** Judy Christensen had sent the February 28 balance sheet to the Board members by Email. She mentioned some small bank accounts that needed to be closed and the money put into the proper PWV accounts at the bank we now use. Wal-Mart has given a \$2000 and HP a \$1000 (\$500 employer/employee match) unrestricted/unspecified donations. There will be a merchandise store at Spring Training, and Sandy Sticken will help Judy with keeping track of those purchases. There will be a designated Email address for the Treasurer, and Judy will send out an Email informing of that.

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.**

**A) SPRING TRAINING UPDATE.** Bob Manuel reported the biggest problem this year is getting enough experienced AGL's. Bob Blakely had Emailed members; and it was suggested that should be followed up with personal phone calls to members thought to be qualified and interested. This year's expanded trail has three loops, two of which are easy and one a bit more difficult. The distance was expanded by half mile, adding 20-30 minutes. The llama and dog-on-leash stations were dropped and that will lessen the time on the trail. Fred is doing the food. There will be a root beer keg available this year. Archy Archuleta will do a mini first responder course for returning members on Friday. Some committee chairs may present Saturday night after dinner in lieu of the usual entertainment. *Remember, clean-up date is May 4 and training trail walk is May 11.*

**B) RECRUITING and PUBLIC OUTREACH.** Jerry Hanley will head up a subcommittee to review the entire interview process cycle. There are a number of matters that need to be coordinated and/or improved, including timing, assignments, dates, forms, lists, etc. so the interview process

runs smoother. He will also secure a list of jobs for potential non-hikers and have that available for use in the interview process and at Public Outreach Committee events. Jerry felt the “Highlights for the 2012 Season”, prepared by Karl, is a necessary tool for use at Public Outreach events. (See below.)

**C) HIGHLIGHTS OF 2012 SEASON.** In Karl Ritters’ absence, Bob Manuel reported that this document/information is stored on the website, and the link follows. The Forest Service will run 250 copies for use by PWV committees. <http://www.poudrewildernessvolunteers.org/news-and-information/147-pwv-2012-highlights-with-photos>

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS.** None.

**NEW BUSINESS.**

**A) 50<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY WILDERNESS ACT.** Dave Cantrell reported this year’s Conference will be held in Albuquerque NM. The Colorado group will meet in Denver on May 2 (a Thursday), and it would be desirable if PWV had 2 to 4 people in attendance. The lead person for the BLM will attend.

**B) NWSA ANNUAL MEETING.** Dave Cantrell will attend this year’s Annual Meeting on October 24-26, in Nashville TN. Fred Allen will also be attending, and both Jerry Hanley and Bob Manuel indicated their desire to attend. PWV has set aside \$500 for expenses toward our members’ attendance. (The Year End Event will be held this year on October 20.)

**Colorado Wilderness Groups.** Dave Cantrell and another NWSA member will hold a workshop for struggling Colorado groups on June 15. Please contact Dave for more information.

**A) 50<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY WILDERNESS ACT.** Dave Cantrell reported that the 50th Anniversary of the signing of the Wilderness Act will be celebrated throughout 2014. A Colorado team is planning our statewide celebration. They will meet next on May 2, in Denver. Dave encouraged PWV to have several people in attendance at that meeting.

**B) NWSA ANNUAL CONFERENCE.** Dave Cantrell reported that this year’s National Wilderness Stewardship Alliance Conference will be held in San Bernardino, CA, October 25-26, with stewardship activities planned before and after on the Pacific Crest Trail. All PWVs are welcome. It’s a great opportunity to meet other wilderness stewards. Jerry Hanley and Bob Manuel indicated their desire to attend. PWV has set aside \$500 for expenses toward our members’ attendance.

**C) COLORADO WILDERNESS COMMUNITY WORKSHOP.** Dave Cantrell and Chris Brown (former Director, FS Wilderness and Wild and Scenic Rivers) will host a workshop for wilderness stewards from across Colorado, on June 15. The goal is to identify groups ready to form, and problem-solve challenges to current groups. Chris and Dave will count on thriving groups like PWV to share its strategies for success; and Dave encouraged us to be well represented there. Chuck Bell and Bob Manuel indicated interest.

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

*Meg K. Parmer*, Secretary

Next Board Meeting: **April 18, 2013, 6:30 p.m.**