

MINUTES
PWV BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
December 18, 2014 – 6:30 p.m.
Council Tree Library, Community Room

ATTENDANCE

Board Members present: Gerry Cashman, Mike Corbin, Jerry Hanley, Judy Jacks, Alan Meyer, Bob Meyer, Wendy Nicastle, Meg Parmer, Margaret Shaklee, Daryl Smith, Mike Smith, and Jennifer Watson.

Board Members absent: Judy Christensen, Richard Clopper, David Fanning and Kevin Cannon (USFS Liaison).

Advisory Board Members: Fred Allen, Chuck Bell, Bob Hansen, Bob Manuel, Jacque Rieux, Jim Shaklee, and Mark Snyder.

PWV Members present: Sandy Sticken and Mindy Cooper.

AGENDA. The agenda was accepted.

MINUTES. The October and November 2014 minutes were approved.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS.

A) CHAIR MIKE CORBIN. Mike informed the Board that a letter of intent was filed yesterday, in advance of applying for a grant. If selected, PWV will make a formal application for a \$2000 grant.

B) 2015 BUDGET REVIEW. The 2015 budget was reviewed on overhead. The various items were listed in alphabetical order, and most items were prioritized. It was suggested that PWV's budget is actually a "wish list" and not a "real" budget. The total budget should be \$29,055.94. There was much discussion among members, particularly as it involves seeking grant money mainly for restoration activities—whether to put it in the budget and then seek grant money, or vice versa. It was felt there should be a specific line item for meetings/conferences. A change in the endowment classification was suggested. Generally, it was felt a format change be made to the budget, especially as it pertains to grant writing. It was suggested the restoration committee meet and decide on a budget amount for 2015. The LNT budget item needed to be increased to \$945. As some budget items become clearer, it was noted we may adjust the budget to better reflect our needs. The following **motions were made, seconded and adopted:**

Move to increase the LNT budget amount to \$945.

Move the budget be approved as written, except for the increase of \$945 for LNT.

C) 2015 RESTORATION BUDGET. After the close of the December Board meeting, the Restoration Committee met and established its 2015 budget, broken down as follows: Tools at \$250, fasteners at \$450, and tool repair at \$300 (total \$1000 to be funded by PWV); and training at \$1000, volunteer provisions (food, shirts, etc.) at \$4000, and hired work crews at \$25,000 (total of \$31,000 to be funded only if grants are received). By Email vote, the following **motion was made, seconded and passed:**

Move the 2015 Restoration Committee budget be approved at \$31,000--\$1000 to be funded by PWV and \$30,000 to be funded by anticipated grants, as above.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

A) RECRUITMENT COMMITTEE. Jennifer Watson reported the committee met to orient new members and to prepare for the open houses planned for January 22 and February 17. Open house presenters are: Chuck Bell on PWV founding, Bob Manuel on trail patrols and expectations, Nate Donovan on Spring Training, Mike Corbin on field programs, and John Moreland on new member perspective. Dates for interviews will be scheduled for two Saturdays in March. It was noted there were about 40 to 50 “holdover” recruits from last year, but it was felt many of them may not apply for membership this year. The committee has discussed ideas for recruiting; and will decide at which upcoming events to pursue recruiting. Upcoming events include: FRCC and Earth Day in April, Poudre River Festival in May, New West Fest in August, CSU Fall Involvement Expo and Sustainable Living Fair in September. The committee will prepare a procedure for recruiting for inclusion in the Handbook.

B) PWV DOMAIN NAME. Alan Meyer reported on the status of our new domain, pwv.org, that was approved (with funding) at the November Board meeting. PWV now owns the 3 domains: pwv.org, poudrewildernessvolunteers.org and poudrewildernessvolunteers.com, all of which are registered under Alan's name. All three names are reserved for the next 10 years, after which we may extend them. To access the PWV website, you may use any of these domains; and they will all point to the same underlying website. The recommendation is to start using pwv.org. Additionally, the PWV mailing lists will also work with the pwv.org domain. For example, you could use board@pwv.org or board@poudrewildernessvolunteers.org, and they will both use the exact same list. The web team recommends to use the @pwv.org lists. Over time, the web team will work with the various committees to update our documentation to reflect the new pwv.org domain.

C) FUND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE. Judy Jacks reported the committee will next meet in February 2015. Rhonda Koski has applied for a Noxious Weed grant for \$420. National Forest Service grant is due January 15. There is a Duncan Charitable Trust grant due at some future date. The committee plans to send out a blast Email to PWV members for year-end giving. The committee may decide to do a letter campaign for outside fund raising.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS. None.

NEW BUSINESS.

A) PWV TREASURER. The following **motion was made, seconded and adopted.** (Margaret Shaklee, the interim treasurer, will now move from serving as a Board member, and will serve on the Advisory Board):

Move that Bob Meyer be appointed Treasurer for PWV.

B) 2014 FACT SHEET. Jim Shaklee revised the Fact Sheet and had submitted it to members for comments. He explained there are revisions that still need to be made; and he will get with Kevin Cannon to secure accurate information to make those revisions, after which he will finalize the Fact Sheet. It was noted the Fact Sheet will be useful for fund raising.

C) 2015 TRAIL PATROL DESCRIPTIONS. Jim Shaklee reported we may want to change some patrol descriptions to support backpacking, identify appropriate trails and water, and more clearly define trails. When the information is gathered, it will be made available to all members. It would include trails in Comanche Wilderness, some trails in the Rawahs, and a few other areas. Discussions will be held about making changes and the associated problems.

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.

Meg K. Parmer, Secretary

Next Meeting: **January 15, 2015; 6:30 p.m.**