

GMNC Board meeting 11/8/2013

Attending: Annie Murphy, Tom Ela, Dave Knutson, Christina Stark, Callie West, Christie Aschwanden, Dave Aschwanden (guest), Jodi Peterson, Anita Evans, Anne Janik (guest from Forest Service)

Thanks to Anita for the excellent green chile, tortillas and beers!

Agenda approval: Moved, seconded, passed

Minutes from last meeting approval: Moved, seconded, passed

Anne: More Kids in the Woods grant: Working on bus cost/transportation. Great to have GMNC folks helping out. Board thanked her for writing grant. Showed logo. Official word that trailer is not FS property and is ours. We have to pay for licensing of trailer.

Callie:

income reports are after newsletter. Balance sheet, nothing to point out. Liquid assets ahead of last yr because of Lambert foundation grant. We'll be tracking expenses month to month. Have a CPA in Boulder now who did our fed tax return pro bono. Callie went to QuickBooks seminar on her own dime.

Our insurance renews tomorrow. We voted for general liability. Can insure all the other stuff besides snowcat for \$87. If we want to insure kids' equipment, add'l \$472. Anita says let's do that and put that cost under SFK.

Motion to approve the additional insurance (\$87 plus \$472). Seconded. Approved.

Anita: Skis for Kids. We've got great equipment. Had a little bobble w/ the grant but it's all working out thanks to Anne. We'll get 325ish kids out this year from Delta Cty, 150 Ridgway kids, that'll go into our SFK numbers. Tens program – school system setting up program to fund buses for kids for outdoor activities.

Annie: Changed first date of Gliders to Sunday because of conflict with race. We have 10 coaches signed up. Coaches clinic this weekend. Moving it to 10 am.

Christie and Tom: NRL race. All set for 1st weekend in Dec., we just need more snow! Have to choose a date. Had talked about switching to following weekend – we'll decide 7 pm Tues. night. But then conflicts with Winterstart.

Annie: \$99 per radio for season rental, for operations. We need 5 for the race, that was the minimum we had last year. Christie can decide what we need for races and for the whole season.

Christie looking for volunteers to help with race; someone to pick up Powderhorn PA system, someone to pick up lunches for volunteers, also need a race announcer. If you're willing to volunteer, get in touch w/ Christie. She'll ask for more volunteers after giving last year's volunteers a chance.

Christina: CB clinic was good. Lots of info about how to be a TD.

Tom: Will need some volunteers as well. And my mother is retiring! She's turning 90.

Annie: We need to put something in the newsletter.

Dave: Thanks to Toby for dropping everything and helping with the new stove. Hut crew volunteers were just outstanding. Every day had a 5-6 person crew. It's a 5-day process to put it up. We want a summer group to take it over so we can just leave it up. Massive organizing effort to take that thing down and put it up every year.

Want some kind of grand opening for parking lot for local politicians, etc. We need a hard freeze though first.

Annie (for Toby): Left us a pretty detailed ops report. Grooming has begun. Quite a few kilometers to ski on. Conditions are great. Toby has a good rapport with groomers. Wants permission to mobilize the Piston Bully for use on Scales Lake. OK with board as long he's confident that doing that won't damage the machine and it's run only on Scales.

Dave has the donation boxes, will bring up ASAP.

Toby asked if we could brainstorm about business memberships. Goal to get biz members and be able to tell them what the benefits are – ad in newsletter. Thank you on website for all our sponsors. Could have banner for them at trailhead during races. \$200 minimum for newsletter ad? Have three different levels of membership, each with a different incentive.

Annie: Snow Ball. I need silent auction items tonight. We bought 10 tickets for board members. Grand Valley Trail Alliance – one org that represents all trail users in the Grand Valley, bikes, horsemen, ATVs. Next meeting is next week, Dave is going to talk about hut partnerships for summer operations.

More Gliders coaches than kids right now.

Callie: No lack of coaches for adults. We're covered. Christie is doing skate clinics during Gliders for parents. Womens clinics on Fridays. North Fork ski swap 11/23. If anyone knows any volunteers on our side of the mesa we could have volunteers. Patagonia garments are all in and embroidered. She'll notify people when they're ready.

Sign up sheet for food for future meetings in Delta and GJ. Can be reimbursed \$40 for food.

Board Meeting Date	Location	Who
12/10/13	GJ	Tom
01/14/13	Delta	Callie
02/11/13	GJ	Annie

03/11/13	Delta	Dave
04/08/13	GJ	Christina

Annie: Unfinished business, we still need updated bylaws. Dave has new pages 5 & 6.
Need to do FS permit. Need estimated skier days and income.

Tom: Trail map. We priced ads at \$300 last time.

We need to combine our approaches to businesses: don't approach them twice, once for map ads, once for sponsorships. Tell Toby which businesses you approach so they're not approached twice.

Dave Aschwanden: we have a van for Mesa College racing team. If there's a kid who needs a ride up, we can give them one. Weekdays leave GJ 2 or 3 pm, weekends 9 am. Anyone interested should contact me.

Asks if grooming report can include a forecast of what will be groomed next. General agreement that would be useful. Here's what's good for skating, what's good for classic.

Next meeting is Dec. 10 in GJ.

Motion to adjourn.