

April 2016 GMNC Board Meeting

Attending: Dave, Jodi, Christina, Callie, Christie, Susie, Anita, Clint, Tom, Nathan, Winslow, Lew

Regrets: Greg, Kristina

Guests: Terri Stright

Motion to approve minutes, seconded. Passed.

Finance report, Callie: At bottom of balance sheet, restricted funds, \$96,606. Adjusted once per year. Will be adjusted in June for tax filing. There will be about \$32,000 of that spent down.

General fund performance to budget: Approved \$17K deficit last year. Now at net gain of \$8896. \$6348 in expenses coming. May end up with around \$3K net gain.

Membership was \$9K more than forecasted. Also program grants and service revenue were higher. Expenses \$13K under budget, less than expected for insurance, professional services.

We should have positive number or at least break even by end of fiscal year.

Races have contributed \$16K over 5 years, adult programs \$7800. Raised race fees but didn't have fewer racers.

Plan to transition treasurer's duties from Callie to Terri. Terri getting bid from accountant in Montrose. Number probably won't be much less than what we are paying Lewis & Company. We are leaning toward staying with them and keeping permanent PO Box in Cedaredge, to minimize changes with new treasurers.

Terri's email for Treasurer will be gmtreas@gmail.com

Will stay with desktop version of Quickbooks for now. We will need to buy it next year, for about \$50. June 1 is date for turning over files. Final financials available then.

Seminar for Quickbooks for nonprofits. About \$149. Colorado Nonprofit Association. Money left in this year's professional services budget to cost of seminar. Terri will cover travel to Denver etc.

Terri will be driving budget process this year. At September meeting will be draft budget to vote on.

We need money to spend over the summer – finance committee drafted something last fall for a proposal about when spending is authorized or not authorized. Tom suggests board should review capital equipment purchases over \$1000. Motioned to approve by Tom, seconded, passed.

By-law change – annual meeting moved from May to April. Amend section 3.4 accordingly. Moved, seconded, approved.

Greg Peterson resigned from board since he's now in the Roaring Fork Valley most of the time.

Slate of candidates:

President – Dave Knutson

Vice President – Clint Robertson

Secretary – Christina Stark

Treasurer – Terri Stright (elected immediately, effective June 1)

Nathan moves, Tom seconds, all in favor.

Elect to board – all of the officers plus Jodi, Callie, Susie, Lew, Nathan, Winslow, Tom

Christie Aschwanden offers to resign because she's got too many other commitments. Removes her name from consideration.

Susie Kaldis also offers to resign but will continue to be advisory. But fund raising is key and needs to be done by someone on board. Susie will stay.

Tom moves, Callie seconds, all in favor.

Hole on board – we don't have parent representation for Gliders.

Operations close out – everything cleaned up at trailheads except boxes and signs still there, need to be pulled. This year the wood stove will be stored at Greg's storage place.

Total grooming hours this year compared to last – 70% increase in grooming hours. November was 212% more, Dec. 114% more. More snow and earlier start.

Travel stipends – number of trips well over what we estimated. \$2K instead of \$1850. Instead of a gas stipend we could pay a bonus when groomers finish out the season. Should be a cap on it. Based on a percentage of their pay. Winslow and Kenton will come up with a recommendation for handling this. If it's a bonus it may be taxable (but not if it's a gas reimbursement).

Next year groomers need to get their paychecks through direct deposit. If they don't have a bank account they won't be able to work for us.

Winston and Tom Lambert went to check out new PistenBullys. Spec'd it out, \$335K for PB400. PB100 was \$275K. Big machine can do about 80% of our trails, probably 25% faster. The foundation indicated it will not support a grant for a small machine. We can widen the trails for use with the bigger one. Maybe we can bundle w/ Pagosa Springs so that our old machine goes to them, and we get a new big machine. Don't need an answer on that til fall. If we bundle it we may be tied to their fundraising ability. If we had the big machine the trails would be harder, less damage from snowshoers, dogs etc. Heavier machine, lasts a lot longer than smaller one, would require fewer grooming hours.

Kristina – membership and donations up to 4/11 – 515 memberships. Wrote REI grant for \$6K. CPW

grant due at end of October.

Skis for Kids – 50 kids the first year, now 1700. Really building a base of skiers that will continue on. Most of them couldn't do it without the low cost rental gear.

We need contract to be clear we have no legal liability. Annie can work with someone from her firm to draw up the contract.

Skyway parking lot plan – concern that entrance/exit is the same road. Need some kind of windbreaks. One way traffic pattern would be better. Two way traffic has risk of blockage. Dave will give CDOT feedback.

Meeting adjourned. Moved, seconded, passed.