

Alaska Trails Board Meeting Teleconference
August 8, 2006

1. Call to Order: 12:10 pm

Attendance: Lindsay Winkler (Geoff Orth, proxy); Blain Anderson (Dan Chagnon, proxy), Jack Campbell; Bob Gorman (Jack Mosby, proxy)

Alaska Trails' members: Lisa Holzapfel, RTCA

2. Changes to the agenda: Under New Business – 3. Chugach State Park, 4. State of Alaska Trail Planning Guidelines

Agenda approved without objection

3. Reading and approval July 11 Monthly Meeting minutes:*

Bob Gorman, motion to approve as presented, Blain seconded. Meeting minutes approved without objection.

4. Treasurer's Report:* Tabled to September meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Update on Trails Training Curriculum: _ Lisa

September 15, 16 and 17th for Mat-Su Trails Training. Cassie and Blain are working on holding another training in Haines. After these trainings, another review session will be held. Bob Gorman has offered staff assistance for editing and production of the final documents.

A brief discussion was held on the distribution and outreach of trails training materials, i.e. what role the Cooperative Extension Service would play in the distribution of the materials. Lisa suggested that the working group have a larger discussion about this issue. Bob noted it would take approximately 6 months to go through CES publication review. Lisa suggested the working group meet after September when the other two trainings are completed to further this discussion.

2. Troy Duffin Video Update: - Lisa

Distribution of the video is now the main topic. Post a note on the website, email to all members, if you are interested in getting one, a donation to go to support Alaska Trails (encourage them to join Alaska Trails). We could offer DVDs to all new members as well. Jack Campbell

motioned suggested donation be \$10 for the DVD, Bob Gorman seconded. Blain questioned the status of the trails training that occurred in April at the ARPA conference and noted he would like to include these with the envelopes. Lisa noted these CD's are not completed yet. Motion passed unanimously.

Lindsay will volunteer to take draft a letter and will coordinate with Lisa & Blain to acquire the DVDs.

3. Credit Card Acceptance on Website—Joe:

Table until the September meeting.

4. Project Coordinator position update- Lindsay

Mentioned progress to date on this... This is a contractual position for which we will issue a RFP. It will not be an employee position..

NEW BUSINESS

1. ARPA semi-annual meeting September 15th and 16th —Dan C. _

No report on this... tabled until Sept. meeting.

2. Additions of Executive Board to account--Lindsay

Jack M's proxy moved to add Blain to the Alaska USA Bank Account, Bob seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

3.. Chugach State Park - Blain

Opportunity for Alaska Trails to be involved in trails training and trails consultation. Finally admitted they have a trail problem. Blain has been working with their Trails Advisory Board to take a fresh new look at their trails. Blain will keep the group informed as the project progresses.

4. State of Alaska's Trail Planning Guidelines--Lindsay

Requesting letter of support from AK Trails and to be a partner. Blain moved that Alaska Trails write a letter of support for this project; Jack Campbell seconded. RTCA has been asked for technical assistance on this project as well. Motion passed unanimously

TRAIL NEWS

1. Registration is now available online for the 18th Annual National Trails Symposium, see www.americantrails.org/quad/index.htm <<http://www.americantrails.org/quad/index.htm>> for information and to register.
2. Alaska State Parks has several grant opportunities available now: www.alaskatrails.org <<http://www.alaskatrails.org>>
3. There is a new educational website at www.akhs.atfreeweb.com
4. The first Caribou Lake Dash was held on the Caribou Lake Trail on Aug. 5. There were 12 riders, 6 volunteers, and 12 sponsors.

ADJOURNMENT - Bob Gorman motioned to adjourn; Geoff Orth seconded by proxy. The meeting was adjourned at 12:50 pm.

Prepared by:

Jack Campbell
Secretary

Reminder: Next Meeting Tuesday September 12, Noon - 1:00P