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Teleconference Minutes
Alaska Trails Board Meeting
July 11, 2006

1. Call to Order: 12:10 pm.

Attendance:

Board Members: Lindsay Winkler (Dan Chagnon, proxy); Bob Gorman; Jack Mosby; Geoffrey Orth; Jim Vorderstrasse

Members: Lisa Holzapfel, RTCA

2. Changes to the agenda:

Old Business: Add health brochure; 05 Recreational Trails Grant

New Business: Hiring committee—Educational Director; IMBA conference/National Trails Symposium

3. Reading and approval June 13 Monthly Meeting minutes

Old Business, E, ARPA payment—A note is added to indicate that the board discussed a range of \$1500. *Lindsay motioned to approve, Geoff Orth seconded, motion passes unanimously.*

4. Treasurer's Report:

Item deferred until August meeting.

4. Old Business

A. Update on Trails Training Curriculum: Lisa - Kristy has turned in the final box to NPS-RTCA. Another training needs to be scheduled in state before we can close out the 05 Recreational Trail Grant. The goal is to hold the training in Haines during either August or September. Lindsay will contact the City of Homer regarding a potential training in Homer this August. Travel funds are available for instructors (approximately \$5000). Wayne Biessel, Kodiak, is interested in coming to any follow-ups as an instructor.

Bob Gorman strongly recommended that one of the trainings be held in Copper River Valley, Southern Southeast or Western Alaska. A discussion was held on holding the training in either Aniak or McGrath. Bob requested advance notice of any training so that he and extension staff could attend the trainings, as they would like to assist with future training opportunities. Bob believes September would be the best time to hold a training in Western Alaska, and he may be able to assist with providing travel and

stipends for people to attend from other villages. Bob, Jack and Lisa will discuss this via email and come up with a solution.

B. Troy Duffin Video Update: - Lisa

Two originals are now being handed to Geoff and Jack M. We need to determine how we would like to reproduce them. *Geoff motioned that we authorize RTCA to distribute the Troy Duffin video for one year, Jack Mosby seconded. Motion passes unanimously.* Lisa needs a letter on our letterhead for this for permission up to 1000; Jack Mosby will take care of this.

C. Strategic Planning Session Update: Geoff/Lindsay-

The group decided that operational info would officially be at the back of the strategic plan for ease of use. Geoff will work on this.

D. ARPA Payment—Dan/Lindsay

At the June meeting, the board suggested a donation in the range of \$1500 to ARPA, a motion is necessary to make this happen.

Jack moved that we donate \$1500 to ARPA to assist in the coverage of the ARPA Trails Conference 2006; Geoff seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Jack Mosby will take care of this.

E. Credit Card Acceptance on Website—Joe: Lindsay gave a brief rundown to the board, tabled till Joe returns.

F. Letter of Commitment Form: Be prepared to comment and finalize—Lindsay:

Attached in the email with the agenda.

Refer to bylaws or qualifications for removal onto the letter of commitment. *Jack moved that we approve the letter as written subject to the attendance policy addition, Geoff or Lindsay can be the signer on the bottom; Geoff seconded the motion. The motion passes unanimously.*

G. Health Brochure

The municipality of Anchorage (Monique Anderson) would like to move forward with the Trails and Health Brochure and have some funds to help move this through. Lisa and Jack will work with MOA to move this forward. SEA Trails is also interested in using this information on a regional basis.

H. 05 Recreational Trails Grant Closeout

We received an extension through the end of this month to revise the final materials. If anyone has spent time on the trail training curriculum, please send your time to Jack. Jack has sent out bids to acquire tools as a part of the grant; Home Depot has responded and he is also working with AIH and Lowe's. Total tool outlay is expected to be approximately \$1500.

Lindsay is drawing up the charts and will send copies to Lisa and Jack by the end of the month.

5. New Business

A. RTCA Assistance Letters Due August 1, 2006:

Lisa noted we need to apply for new projects. The Health Brochure, the advanced module, and the ATV Safety curriculum are new projects that we could request assistance on. Lisa said this is a full, new application and recommended getting letters of support to go with each project.

B. Hiring Committee for Educational Director

Both Geoff and Blain have had contacts with individuals that are interested in assisting with the project. *Jack Mosby moved that a subcommittee of Dan, Lindsay, and Geoff to work on identifying a process to address the advanced modules and the ATV Safety curriculum with BLM. Geoff seconded the motion; the motion passes unanimously.* Jack will also assist the committee as possible. Bob Gorman will also help with this.

C. IMBA Conference/National Trails Symposium

There is significant interest in holding a national trails symposium in Alaska. Lisa is working with national organizations on this and will keep Alaska Trails involved and informed.

Lisa suggested timing such an event with the Fireweed 400, then biking conference followed by an event in Anchorage. She mentioned there is a "Bike Anchorage" map that connects all areas together, community wide event (application coming into RTCA). Alaska Trails was mentioned a key player for these events. Lisa will keep us informed of this.

6. Trail News -

-Registration is now available online for the 18th Annual National Trails Symposium, see www.americantrails.org/quad/index.htm for information and to register.

-Caribou Lake Dash, August 5th.

SingleTrack advocates finished the Brown Bear Trail and it was shown on the Anchorage Channel 11 nightly news.

-Hugh Duffey is sending an updated sketchbook to Jack re: Troy Scott Parker's work.

7. Adjournment: -

Jack Mosby moves, Lindsay seconds for the adjournment of the meeting at 1:16 pm.

Prepared by: Lindsay Winkler

Reminder: Next Meeting Tuesday August 8, Noon - 1:00PM