

**Beartooth Recreational Trails Association (BRTA)
Board of Directors Meeting
March 10, 2021**

BRTA Board of Directors meeting held via Zoom. Meeting called to order at 6:33 p.m. by President Jones.

Board Directors Present: Terry Jones (President), Jennifer Drinkwalter (Vice-President), John Clayton (Secretary), Bill Foisy (Treasurer), Doug Anderson, Marci Dye, Heidi Gilbert, Pete Hinmon, Marv Keller, Tom Kohley, Dan Seifert, Derek Stiegemeier.

Board Directors Absent: Anita Philipsborn.

Welcome and Guests: no guests.

Announcements/Upcoming Events

- Earth Day April 24, a bike giveaway is set.
- Our application for the FunRun is due at the end of the month. Bill will apply; Corey Thompson usually coordinates our volunteers.

Minutes: Bill moved, and John seconded, to **adopt the minutes** of February 10, as distributed to the Board. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Treasurer's Report: John moved, and Marv seconded, to **adopt the financial report and budget**. The motion carried on a voice vote.

- Bill walked us through several changes from last month's proposed budget, including increased expected income from XCulinary, splitting out the RTP grant, including payroll taxes for April/May, \$4000 each in capital and grooming equipment costs at the Nordic Center, and \$1300 for Bike Club. The final budget shows income of \$81,161 (about \$15k greater than 2020-21) and expenses of \$72,750 (about \$8800 less) for a positive balance of \$8411.
- February was a great month for revenue, with RTP grant monies, XCulinary, and Nordic Center activity. March will not be so good.
- Specifically, the report included:
 - Year to date profit and loss for the adopted budget, April 1, 2020 – March 31, 2021, to include through February 2020 income of \$57,470 versus \$65,600 budgeted, expenses of \$68,885 versus \$81,540 budgeted, and net income of -\$11,415 versus -\$15,940 budgeted.
 - Transaction List by Date, February 2020—now also broken out by budget account!
 - Checking account report with a balance of \$24,901 as of February 26, 2020.
 - Savings account report with a balance of \$52,723 as of February 26, 2020.
 - Savings (capital reserve) account report with a balance of \$18,001 as of February 26, 2020.

Old Business:

- Bill moved, and John seconded, that we **certify that the Board has verified the Conflict of Interest forms**. The motion carried on a voice vote. The spreadsheet on boardmember information is also complete.
- Tom met with Emergency Medical Services about how to handle an emergency at the Nordic Center. Search and Rescue will run an exercise later this month.
- Tom received a nonprofit license from the ArcGIS software company, which will reduce costs for our web-based mapping project. He will implement.

Outside Committee Updates

- Dan reported that the Parks Board may upgrade the McGillen Trail switchbacks.
- Doug reported that a recent CCSAA meeting had good information. He will attend an online conference in April.

Standing Committees

Summer Trails: Supplementing a written report, Dan noted that we were able to book Montana Conservation Corps for early June. Red Lodge Mountain has been pleased with the bike trails proposal but has another meeting before formally approving it. Heidi is working on volunteer insurance to cover all Summer Trails activities (not just bikers). Thus there is no need to split Biking off as a separate committee from Summer Trails. How is our relationship with the Beartooth Backcountry Horsemen? Tom and Jennifer will investigate. Like the other committees, they had looked at the strategic plan, might want to do some fine-tuning, but would be happy to call it done until about August.

Winter Trails:

Supplementing a written report, Doug highlighted:

- XCulinary was a big success. Our take was \$1888, with the same amount provided to the Silver Run Ski Foundation. Parking was especially improved.
- The Nordic Center management team has taken Bob Johnson's assignments, formally divided them into areas of responsibility, and assigned them for next year.

Marketing:

Supplementing a written report, John highlighted that Jennifer would be sending out a newsletter later in the month. Several boardmembers volunteered to get her information for articles.

Community Bicycle Program: Doug reported that they gave away 26 bikes for the year, at about \$50 per bike. Andy will have 4-6 bikes ready soon, and another 6-8 ready for Earth Day. Heidi and Jennifer suggested incorporating this program into the bike activities of the Summer Trails committee.

Event Committees

- XCulinary covered above.
- Annual meeting usually takes place in April or May. Could we distribute beer tokens to accompany an online presentation? Could we do an outside event? Maybe at Red Lodge Ales? Should we have a separate Groomer Appreciation and

board potluck in the summer? Let's decide next meeting.

New business:

- The Ruth Sheller estate check has been deposited at Montana Community Foundation. We're working with RLACF to promote the endowment.
- Jennifer demonstrated a sample customer survey for winter activities. She and Doug hope to send it out later in the month.
- Bill moved, and John seconded, that **Terry, Jennifer, John, Tom, Derek, Doug, and Dan be nominated for two-year terms to continue on the board.** The motion carried on a voice vote.
- John moved, and Doug seconded, that we elect **Jennifer as President, Derek as Vice-President, John as Secretary, and Bill as Treasurer.** These are one-year terms. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Next Meeting/Adjourn We will meet on Wednesday, April 14, 2021, 6:30 p.m., probably again via Zoom. Meeting adjourned at 8:02 pm by President Jones.

Certification of Minutes

Minutes prepared by John Clayton, Secretary.

Certification of minutes approved by the Board of Directors:



Jennifer Drinkwalter, President

April 14, 2021

Adopted by Board