



Executive Committee Minutes

May 23, 2023, at 5:00 PST

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TOPIC
Welcome & Introductions CTO: 5:07PM Pacific
Agenda No additions
Minutes: Approve March/April 2023 Minutes <i>Motion to approve the March and April Minutes, Seconded. All in favor, none opposed.</i> <i>Motion passed.</i>
Financial Reports – April 2023 Provided the following. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Account balances• Income and Expenses• We could move money from Legacy into investment at this time.• National Board Meeting Income and Expenses• Donations/Chair Letter• Reports are incorrect and we are waiting for the updated reports.• We will approve minutes and provide to the National Directors next month.• Do not send details with the donors' names. Provide P&L, Balance Sheet and Budget vs. Actual.• Tax returns have been filed. <u>Legacy Fund/Investment</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Balance is down right now.• Wasn't a big net change from last month.• We are receiving projected returns comparable to a CD. <u>Legal Fund/Investment</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Value went up slightly.• Discussing transferring funds from the legacy checking account.
Public Lands <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Submitted article for monthly newsletter of Trails are Common Grounds; shows BCHA in the mix/leadership. Randy will circulate this article when it comes out on Thursday.• A new bipartisan Act in Congress has to do with US Army Corps of Engineers (COE), "The Lakes Act", Lake Access Keeping the Economies Strong (S.1358). BCHA has their name included as support for this bill, which would 1) allow COE sites to retain public recreational use fees and apply them to recreational improvements (including trails);



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and 2) the agency to enter into Challenge Cost-Share agreements with non-profit partners.

- Trails coalition has submitted testimony to the Senate Subcommittee on Interior, Environmental and Related Agencies, which determines annual appropriations for all federal land agencies. For 7 to 8 years, we have supported and helped shape the request that is sent to both the House and Senate appropriations committees. While in the last decade of funding has been consistent for trails, new leadership in the House wants to implement across-the-board spending cuts for all federal programs.
- BLM Rule Making process "Conservation Rule". Emphasizes conservation mission of agency's multiple-use mandate. Decided to pass on commenting regarding this.
- The National Wilderness Stewardship Alliance announced FS Trails Stewardship grants. Five BCHA chapters applied for grants, two received them. Press release coming out Thursday.
- American Horse Council annual meeting is in June in Denver. Randy and Mark will be attending.
- Equestrian Legacy Radio, Randy and Mark were on in May. "Saddle Up America" link is https://d1at8ppinvdju8.cloudfront.net/1/222/show_12223578_2023_05_04_18_47_44.mp3 Scroll to minute 1:07:45 for the BCHA interview.

Committee Updates

Chairman reports from the committee chair meeting, Chairman unavailable to discuss.

Strategic Business Plan Update

Receiving proposals and updates to the smart plans.

When the SBP is updated, the EC will review and approve.

2024 NBM

- Venue proposal included in the EC packet.
- Room rates are reasonable.
- Concern about food prices.
- The meeting room is adequate.
- Not a breakfast included in the room rate.
- Look at Red Lion in Cheyenne
- Look at hotels in Sheridan

Next Meeting: June 27, 2023

Adjourn 6:11PM, Pacific

Motion to adjourn, seconded all in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.



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Attendance Required: Mark Himmel, Craig Ferdig, Kathy Young, Sherry Copeland, Craig Allen, Tom Thomas, Brad Pollman, Dan Key, Jim Allen

Staff: Randy Rasmussen, Michelle Wade

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