

GHORBA Board of Directors Meeting April 25, 2011

Meeting Agenda and Minutes

In attendance:

Rafael, Amanda, Bill R., Russell, Carla, Veljko

Minutes of last mtg. adopted

Dave Wiens was a success.

Treasurer Report

We have some money in grant acct. \$8k from REI... Carla to work out details.

Signators on bank are now Carla and Bill R.

Trails Report

Sugar Land 1.5 miles soon to be rideable .

Carl Barton new trail steward : Gary bike lane working offering volunteers pay dirt

Anthills 11 people showed up; some user complaints about "easier" lines; however we strive to make sustainable

MP: decent turnout, another work party next week.

Trail Stewards not reporting hours electronically; hopefully paper record will be sufficient.

Flintridge new trails steward. ACTION Veljko Roskar to update web info.

Membership Report

Last 30 days: \$3951 in members fees. 56 new members. Total 1314 names from beginning of year. 474 currently active members... 91 ytd have not responded to renewal email. The feeling is we are moving in the right direction.

Rafael: GiftWorks is a bit of pain but worthwhile software for membership management.

Secretary Report

+860 people receive website updates

Volunteermatch not seen as resource to gather work party volunteers;

ACTION - will let Volunteermatch membership and listings lapse

BRC Review

Summary P&L distributed; a few more expenses and revenues coming.

Difficult to account for on-site sales revenues.

T-shirts - we have many left over...

Suggestion:

test tech material t-shirts

publish design on website before event

A pledge drive from sponsors needed.

RA: how do our attendance numbers compare to other TMBRA races; manufacturer presentation?

2012 date: March 31- April 1.

Deadline to make decision about future of race August 15.

STS ~\$1000 entries to Cywood \$700 for Flintridge; ... extras from sponsors went toward insurance.

Carla asked to separate out \$ coming in for race entries. Action RAF..

MTB festival

J. Vondra not June 12. Do it at BRC 2012 maybe.

Filling Open Board Positions

Candidates for open board positions were discussed and agreed to be contacted to confirm wanting to volunteer

October/Lakeway Resort Bike Weekend

Lakewood off-road biking weekend with Austin Riding Club - Oct. 21-23 or 28-31. 2 nights lodgings, secure bikes, Fri night welcome package, bbq sat. night dinner and band. Shuttle to ride. Mule show, Weimers Ranch, or Pace Bend as ride venues. Weekend pp \$205. \$224 for singles.

ACTION - Get rate for 1 night or lower \$ on 2 nights.

Should we join CEC?

RA is on board of the Citizens Environmental Coalition (a clearing house for organizations).

GHORBA should be a member. 5000 people weekly get emails on events ; job openings, volunteer days. GHORBA trail work... Membership is \$100 / year. Voted on and approved to join CEC.

Houston Wilderness (biggest org, but not as effective).

CEC resource guidebook.

Getting our stuff together. schedule, website, corp stuff.

ACTION - RENEW Tax exempt status.

ACTION - Thank you letters for BRC sponsors

ACTION - Need to update status with Secretary of State

All Other Business

“Lonestar” NW Trail Proposal (J. Bishop)

Armand Bayou - pseudo legal?

Scavenger urban race; summer evening race? take photos of bikes in 6 locations.... sat. evening.

Booker wants to expand JBP in the fall.... RA things it's a gamble to have event there because it would be a deadline.

DORBA is now a USA Cycling affiliate?

ACTION - Why aren't we?

Meeting adjourned.