



Date: Nov 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Address: Ula's

Time: 7pm – 9pm

Attendees:

*Board:*

- Bill Collier, President
- Scott Dammitt, Communications Director
- Eric Henao, Secretary
- ~~Chris Brown, Events Director – no out~~
- Christy Jones, Membership Director
- Kevin Highfield, VP & Advocacy Director
- Greg Bauer, Communications Director
- David Cevera, Race Director – no out
- Katie Winston, Fund Development
- Emily Durbala, Membership Director - late
- ~~Joshua Cools, Treasurer – no out~~
- CJ – New Trails Director

**Race**

Permit was covered with insurance. Sent to frank and warren

Need volunteers – have 6 need 20

Bike barn is eblasting out the announcement

Shifts for volunteering is open, but yet to be determined Probably 3 shifts

Nothing for sale. Only for registrations. No tshirts.

Possibly have something written up to say about the sponsors:

Spine pro

Blue line

Bike Barn

HEB

Sun & Ski

Paul Shultz has lots of the race supplies. He is also a good volunteer.

Race course is in great condition.

**SHTC**

What happens after race? We've tried to take the high road. Gotten us no where. Can't get a cycling rep. Have a break out meeting to go over how to handle. First Sat in Dec is next board meeting. Further actions tabled for later.

**Bill notes**



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Sugar land meeting, with Anthony Baber, Board of HOA of New Territory. Some politics between trail stewards. Meeting set up with the MUD who owns the land. Waiting on Bill to respond. Wanting to finish it. Try to get Bill and Kevin to meet with.

Has a ton files to pass on from personally keeping.

Remember the passion of the people on the trails

Forget emails. Get to know who the landowners are in person. Goes a long way.

Don't be afraid to ask.

Educate your self on the law and about liability. Article 75 is key.

Turn over is good for the board.

Bill has enjoyed working with the board and enjoyed the whole experience.

### **Christy**

We have now legitimacy with formal documents to GHORBA with the land owners because of Bill.

Jennifer Lorenz

GHORBA transition

Dealing with email

Facebook GHORBA board

Activity dates

Race dates

BRC last weekend in April 29/30

Paddle and pedal fest april 15<sup>th</sup>

April 22<sup>nd</sup> Nature Fest in Bridgeland

Huntsville Race for 2018?

Race Director and Treasurer need. Maybe need to hire a bookkeeper in addition. Maybe contract out a Race Director. Will table for later discussion.

### **RTG Grant – Kevin and Katie**

Put in for the full 200K. Will help out Katie. Looking for ideas. But a community grant with the rebuild cause of Harvey.

### **Rebuild Harvey**

Christy applied. For the grant. Get results around mid November. 40k

### **Membership**

Sept –

19 individual

1 family

Oct –

8 individual

1 family

Sending out membership letters tomorrow.

### **Trails**



Need to drive more traffic to some of the lesser trails.  
Trail markers and signs. Safety issue. Need to put signs out.  
Conversation with the Trail Stewards

Feedback about the voting.

Board need to be do a better job of introducing the the memberber

Include option to vote absaine from a vote from a person.

Carl Barton – open for business. Good communication with the landowner.

CypressCreek – four different crews. Plans for four more scout projects.

Motorized trail cart concept of Scotts design. Possibily to build more for GHORBA.

Specilzed grant for memorial park – Call out

### **Fund Development**

- Amazon smile – social media campaign – exposure.
- Newmans Own foundation – submitted application. Nov 21- jan 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$500k worth. \$100k big prize.
- REI grants needs to be transferred to Katie from Scott
- Fundraising appeal, mail out, working with Jennifer Lorenz.

### **Houston Gravel Grinders**

John Blum. Advocavacy

Working on getting a route develop multiday trips.

Working to get this in with the Sam Houston Forest. With the Wilderness Areas.

Business Cards for new members

Emily, Jon, John, CJ, Greg Bauer

Board Mememember list spread sheet.

### **GHORBA Trails:**

1. Double Lake Recreation Area
2. Cypresswood (Collins Park)
3. Memorial Park
4. The Anthills (Terry Hershey Park)
5. Flintridge
6. Stephen F Austin State Park
7. Timberlane
8. Justin Brindley Memorial Park (Sugar Land)
9. Carl Barton
10. Huntsville State Park
11. Jack Brooks Park
12. Roy C Burroughs Park
13. River Bend
14. Lake Houston Wilderness Park
15. Cypress Creek MTB