

**MINUTES**  
**PWV BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING**  
**February 16, 2012 – 6:30 p.m.**

The meeting began at 6:30 p.m.

**ATTENDANCE**

**Board Members present:** Scott Ackerman, Archy Archuleta, Kathy Burgess, Mike Corbin, Don Creager, Sandy Erskine, Jerry Hanley, Gene Packer, Meg Parmer, Karl Ritters (*Chair*), Jim Shaklee, and Kevin Cannon (*USFS Liaison*).

**Board Members absent:** Bob Manuel, Mike Shaddy, Martha Shepard, Cathy Trout.

**Advisory Board members present:** Bob Hansen, Jacques Rieux, Margaret Shaklee, Mark Snyder.

**Others present:** Jeanne Corbin (*Winter Patrols' Chair*) and Sharon Green (*Uniforms' Chair*).

**REVISED AGENDA.** A revised agenda was accepted.

**MINUTES.** The minutes were accepted as presented.

**REPORTS OF OFFICERS.**

A) **CHAIR KARL RITERS** (Board meeting process)

B) **LIAISON KEVIN CANNON** reported on USFS grants--one for PWV wilderness research/problem with down bark beetle trees and the other for education, including teacher kits. CLRD will do presentations at New West Fest, with speaker, to prepare for the 50<sup>th</sup> year wilderness anniversary. Trail projects, with minimal funds, include finishing the Hewlett Gulch re-route; constructing the Pawnee Buttes trailhead; Mt Margaret, Lady Moon and Granite Ridge trails—putting in fords for horses and bikes; new section to connect trails north/south on Lady Moon; trail clearing everywhere; and clearing downed trees on North Fork. Our crew is down to two, from five. We hope to get more assistance from volunteers, but need to get them trained on saws. Thanks to Joan Kauth for modifying the volunteer website database so we may move on to the next step. The target date for completion of that is June. On Stub Creek, clear cut will be done this fall, fences will be fixed, we will build a mini campground, and take down one building that is leaning. **Regarding the Blue Lake closure sign**, if anyone has a picture, please send it to Kevin.

C) **TREASURER GENE PACKER** reviewed the income and expenses, and balance sheet for January 2012. The report was **accepted as presented**.

The Treasurer presented a letter received from **Larimer County awarding an \$1874.00 grant to PWV** for backcountry trails--clearing, maintenance and noxious weeds' abatement. The letter requested the attendance of PWV members to accept the grant.

The Treasurer also informed of a necessary correction to the *third paragraph of §7 of the Line Item Approval Process presented at the January 19, 2012, Board meeting*. **A motion was made, seconded and carried, and that paragraph will now read as follows:**

“For **urgent purchases**, larger than the minimum and needed before the next Board meeting, there must **be written approval, including by email, of a majority of the voting members of the Executive committee**. (e.g., KIN trail guides could be printed at a 20% discount at Staples, but the purchase had to be made immediately to take advantage of that discount.)”

## **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.**

A) **PWV WEBSITE.** Scott Ackerman reported the change to the home page, which now looks different. The site can accommodate more people, there are more controls, and lots of options. On the trail description section, members may make comments about trails. The donations’ section now differentiates between general and endowment donations. The next step for improving the site will include photos of the trails. Scott indicated those who go to the trail descriptions’ sections are more interested in pictures than the descriptions.

B) **RECRUITING AND PUBLIC OUTREACH.** Jerry Hanley explained the need for additional funds for the work of this committee. A **motion was made, seconded and adopted**, as follows:

For \$75 additional funding for Sustainable Living Fair and \$75 for Earth Day.

C) **ORGANIZATION HANDBOOK.** Mike Corbin explained the proposed write-ups needed to bring the Handbook up to date. A **motion was made, seconded and adopted** as follows:

Move to approve these four Organization Handbook write-ups:

1. Organization Handbook Introduction.
2. Organization Handbook Committee.
3. Affiliation Gatherings.
4. Winter Patrols.

D) **UNIFORMS.** Committee Chair Sharon Green asked for adoption of the following motion. There was some discussion. A **motion was made, seconded and adopted** as follows:

**Rescind the resolution** to make Red Kap shirts the new PWV standard.

E) **WINTER PATROLS.** Chair Karl Ritters recognized Jeanne Corbin, Committee Chair of Winter Patrols, for her work in promoting and stepping up winter patrols. She was given a certificate of appreciation and a PWV cap.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS.**

A) **NON-PATROLLING MEMBERS’ POLICY.** A motion prepared by Chuck Bell was presented for consideration. Scott Ackerman asked that discussion and voting be postponed to a subsequent meeting when Chuck is present; and everyone agreed.

B) **10-YEAR AWARDS' POLICY.** Jerry Hanley stated he will not present his motion at this meeting because some aspects of this matter hinge on the Non-Patrolling Members' Policy. He will present the motion next month.

**NEW BUSINESS.**

A) **BUDGET PROCESS - UNRESTRICTED FUNDS TO ENDOWMENT FUND.** A motion was presented to clarify the budget process to transfer unrestricted funds to the Endowment Fund, along with an amendment to that motion. Kathy Burgess stated she would like to research the proposed transfer to determine if there are IRS rules or regulations that may disallow or penalize such transfer. She will get back to the Board on her findings. **The amended motion was made, seconded and adopted to postpone** this motion to next month's meeting and until after Kathy's review.

B) **Plus3NETWORK FUNDRAISER IDEA.** Margaret Shaklee explained how this Internet fundraiser opportunity works. She found this idea on line and wanted to assure that the Board would approve her delving into this matter further. She will get back to the Board with her findings.

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.

*Meg K. Parmer, Secretary*

Next Board Meeting: **March 15, 2012**