

MINUTES
PWV BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
July 19, 2012 – 6:30 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

Board Members present: Scott Ackerman, Kathy Burgess, Mike Corbin, Sandy Erskine, Jerry Hanley, Bob Manuel, Meg Parmer, Karl Ritters, Mike Shaddy, Jim Shaklee, Martha Shepard, Cathy Trout and Kevin Cannon (*USFS Liaison*).

Board Members absent: Archy Archuleta and Don Creager.

Advisory Board members present: Fred Allen, Chuck Bell, Dave Cantrell, Bob Hansen, Jacques Rieux, Margaret Shaklee, Mark Snyder and Garin VanDeMark.

PWV members present: Gerry Cashman, David Fanning, David Lobree and Kathy Ulrich.

AGENDA. The agenda was accepted with the inclusion of two other matters.

MINUTES. The June minutes were accepted as presented.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS.

A) **CHAIR KARL RITERS.** Karl reminded of the **two fundraisers** to be held this Saturday for the firefighters; reported that 55 members have signed up to date for the **new members' get together on July 26**; and announced the **Year-End Event** will be held at the Sunset Event Center in Old Town. Karl asked Chuck Bell to give an update on our hosting **25 Iraqi students** at Pingree Park, something PWV has done for several years. Karl presented to **Gerry Cashman a certificate of appreciation** and a PWV logo cap award for his outstanding work in teaching many classes to our members, including Winter survival, map and compass, GPS, geology, XC skiing and snowshoeing.

B) **LIAISON KEVIN CANNON.** Kevin reported on the Forest Service's post-fire restoration plan, which included mulching with straw and wood chips by helicopter outside the wilderness area, and PWV's participation in restoration. Numerous people in the community have contacted the Forest Service and expressed their interest in helping with restoration. Some private organizations are desirous of having their employees help also, according to Fred Allen. Kevin noted there is an education component that is part of the USFS plan. He reported the lower trails in the Poudre Canyon will not be re-opened this season.

C) **TREASURER'S REPORT.** Margaret Shaklee gave an update on the search for a new treasurer and reviewed the organizational chart of the Budget Committee which was presented at the meeting. An assistant treasurer will be added to help with bookkeeping duties. Sharon Green will continue to handle the uniforms and other goods' items. Events' manager and grants' managers will be added. Laurie Greisman and Diane McQuaid are being considered for the Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer positions. Their resumes will be sent to the Board for consideration for these positions. Kathy Burgess reported on the income and expenses to date, and handed out the income and expense statement for the period January 1 thru July 18, 2012.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

(NEW) RESTORATION COMMITTEE. Fred Allen expressed the need to restore trails in the CLRD and the need for a committee to head this effort, work that will be necessary for a number of years. There are PWV funds of \$10,000 available for this effort, as well as part of an \$80,000 fund that PWV may access. The following **motions were made, seconded and approved** by the Board:

PWV will create a Restoration Committee to assist the CLRD with projects related to the recent fires and other special projects. This Committee will acquire equipment and supplies, maintain inventories of such equipment, organize work days, advertise, and recruit volunteers from within and outside PWV. The Committee will consist of representatives of the Adopt-A-Trail, Trail Crew, Weed Crew and Fund Raising Committees, and any other PWV members the Committee decides to add.

PWV will modify the budget to include a new essential item category titled "Restoration Projects" of \$10,000. This budget item is to be initially funded with external funds donated for this purpose subsequent to the High Park Fire.

MARK SNYDER and MIKE CORBIN were appointed Co-Chairs of the Committee.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS. None.

NEW BUSINESS.

A) **UNBUDGETED FUNDS FOR MAPS.** Margaret Shaklee reported that orders for trail maps have exceeded our inventory, and there is a need to purchase additional maps to sell. The maps are 50% subsidized so our net cost will be about \$125. She made the following **motion, which was seconded and approved:**

Allocate \$250 of unbudgeted funds to purchase trail maps to satisfy orders placed by PWV members for the maps of areas that PWV patrols.

B) **REVISION OF MENTOR POLICY.** David Lobree (speaking for himself and Co-chair Rosellen Lobree) recognize the importance of well-trained, up-to-date mentors, to assure competence and confidence of mentees prior to conducting patrols on their own. They recommend strengthening PWV policy, currently reading "*PWV mentors must be at least 3rd-year members of PWV and have attended Mentor Training at least once.*" (*Organizational Handbook, page 213, section 7, policy #9*) David made the following **motion, which was seconded and approved:**

PWV mentors, ideally, must be at least 3rd-year members and have attended a current year, mentor training session. If a mentor is unable to attend a current year, mentor training session, the member may be deemed qualified by the Mentor Program Coordinators to be a mentor if the following conditions are met: The PWV member in the prior year a) attended a mentor training session, and b) participated in at least 2 mentor patrols.

Mentor Coordinators. David and Rosellen Lobree were presented with PWV caps and a certificate of appreciation for their efforts in leading this important committee.

C) **IRAQI STUDENTS** (CSU affiliation). Chuck Bell reported that PWV will again host 25 Iraqi students from the CSU Exchange Program. The students will be trained in volunteer and environmental service work for 2 days at Pingree Park. A number of PWV members will help with this effort.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Meg K. Parmer, Secretary

Next Board Meeting: **August 16, 2012, 6:30 pm**