

March 4, 2015

KNS Board Meeting

**PRESENT:** Richard Burton, Mike Gracz, Carlin Rauch, Jan Spurkland, Kevin Walker (call in), Andrew Peter

**ABSENT:** Nicky Szarzi, Stacy Buckelew, Mike Byerly,

**GUESTS:** none

Add 5.3 to discussion

### **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

*Mike moved to approve the agenda. Richard seconded. No objections. The agenda was approved.*

### **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE MEETING OF 2/4/2015**

*After adjustment of language; “now skiing” shall be changed to “no skiing”.*

*Under board development, Mike (Byerly)*

*Recommendation to eliminate acronyms; please spell out*

*Under trail tags, add “board requested samples”*

*Motion by Carlin, Seconded by Richard. The minutes were approved.*

### **ADMIN REPORT**

Mailing to members that have not re-joined the organization.

Also, a Google drive has been set up. The goal is to avoid the necessity to email documents back and forth. However, Richard is having difficulty downloading documents. Mike G requested a change to his email address so that he can add documents more easily. A discussion regarding user friendliness regarding Google doc's was ensued; perhaps we can/should find a better alternative?

Carlin brought up a donation to Two Sisters; an in-kind donation. Perhaps they need paperwork for their taxes? Donation forms.

A “Connections” student/parent was requesting a form that they paid their dues.

## **WEBSITE**

Nothing really happening. Grrrr. Richard desires to begin replacing the website after the Epic. This is due to “old software”.

## **TREASURES REPORT**

### **BUDGET REPORT**

Homer foundation grant for mower? It is still in the works, nothing yet; needs some time to proceed through the process.

Marginal profit on wine and cheese event.

Lookout building. \$30,000 total grant. Received \$7,000 so far. Thus far, we have spent ~\$18,000 to date. The grant is only included in the capital budgets, not in the annual P&L. The only way to see this value is to create a capital budget.

Ongoing discussion of capital verses operating budget. Richard agrees it is a good idea to keep track of grant money. But it requires two separate budgets. A question of “what is a capital expense and what is operating expense”?

Richards notes taxes will be accomplished in the next 6 weeks. The balance sheet will change due to depreciation.

Also, Richard put in for a grant to the Homer Foundation for the “city of Homer” grant; operating expenses without restrictions. Typically between \$3,000 and \$4,000.

## **Reserve Policy**

Richard moves to table a board decision regarding the reserve policy. Mike G seconds. Richard feels it is an important decision. This would be put off until the April 1<sup>st</sup> meeting.

## **Revenue Sharing Allocation**

The two members (Nicki and Mike Byerly), are absent; Jan moved to postpone this discussion until these two members return. No objections.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **Homer Marathon**

Recommend to have it cancelled; Jan has confirmed with Deland. Discussion then moved to media outlets; how are we best to put the word out. Nobody is yet registered. Olympia will be asked to do a Facebook post. Jan to put a note on the webpage.

A few registrants from 2014 were rolled over top 2015. The board agreed to use the revenue for 2014-2015. If any of these registrants ask/comment next year, we will decide to comp them.

### **Epic**

Over 30 people registered. It was now discussed we will no longer open registration until January. But we need to provide a quality race because of these pre-registrants.

Trail race desired. Thoughts include beginning at Waterman trailhead, toward Caribou lake, and back to McNeil School. If this is not possible, then it would be a beach race; from Lands End to Anchor River, back to McNeil Canyon.

If there is open water, Mike G voiced concerns about salmon habitat. If open water, then all are encouraged to consider a non trail race.

T-shirts: Jan asked if KNSC t-shirts could be distributed. Richard was OK with this.

Banquet at Lands End the Friday before.

### **Sea to Ski**

Run bike bath from Lands End to Mariner Park, then change to bikes with a ride on Kachemak Drive, and return to Mariner Park, only to physically grab your skis and run with them an undesignated distance.

This would be the first year without skiing for the Sea to Ski. 2014 was the first year the Marathon was cancelled.

## **STRATEGIC PLAN OBJECTIVES**

### **Membership Zipper pulls**

Several zipper pulls were

Custom setup charge \$40; \$305 for 500 of zipper pulls. With setup charge, about \$0.70 per pull.

Durability is a concern. Board members will take them home and test durability.

If we decide to move forward, we would like to have them designed, and ordered before next fall. Perhaps speak with Deland or some other local artists.

### **New Business**

None

### **Comments from Audience**

None

### **Comments from the Board**

Mike G says this is the worst winter on record.

Jan brought up insurance concerns; letter from Megan. A discussion ensued regarding waiver forms. What are insured for, and what do we want to be insured for?

Kevin has applied for strengthening organizations grant

Jan brought up the Kachemak Bay Science Conference; March 6<sup>th</sup>, I&O 12:00pm