

Redwood Coast Mountain Bike Association

September 2021 Minutes

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September 7, 2021

I. Call to order: 6:57 PM

II. Roll Call of Board Members present: Tom Phillips (zoom), Gina Bauer, Sean Robertson (zoom), Sean Tetrault, Steven Pearl, Lacey Comer, Tim Daniels, Bec Law, Shaun Fyfe, Sara Farley, Travis James, Tai
Guests: Tom Gallup, Emily Sinkhorn, Adam Sullens, Kenny Goldie

III. Approval of July and August Minutes: Motion by STP, seconded by Tai, motion carried.

IV. Officer's reports:

- a. Chair: No report
- b. Co-Chair: Nada Furtada
- c. Treasurer: Two accounts: CC \$5,203.86; Redwood Capitol \$37,177.86

V. Prior Action Items:

- a. Steven will post Willow Creek Pump Track GoFundMe on social media. We will do that!
- b. Gina got kiosk update from Noah. Pearl added No Access to 5000 Road and two-way indicator on Mermaid to map. Regarding Dolly and Hey Y'all, we agree that Dolly is blue and Hey y'all is green. STP will update map. Should we add progressive list of trails from hardest to easiest to map? Check with Noah to see if it would fit/too busy? Blue Lake committee to come up with plan to mark features. New sign from Noah at 5000 and 5100 junction will be added.
- c. Tai added graphic and "call before you dig" information to website.
- d. Steven and Tim continue to work with Blue Lake City staff and Steven has submitted revised plan. Mandy will take to planning commission this month. Hope is to get dirt moved this winter.
- e. Tim and Tom Gallup spoke about scholarship program and will have a plan soon.
- f. Sean got ok for non-throttled bike language to be added to signage via email by Todd, Gary, and Jason. It's in writing via email, but no addendum to agreement yet.
- g. Sean R has HCMTB sponsorship template to share with Board.

VI. Ongoing Business/Updates:

- a. MRE/Blue Lake: Per Steven – Insurance is secure. Eighty-three registered so far, 37 OOT and the remaining local. STP needs megaphone! Carlos offered to bring loudspeaker, walkie talkies, podiums, etc. Contingency plans for Covid – worst case, no party. Tim reached out to MRB to make sure they still able to host, has not heard back. Maybe field is a better option for spreading out? Plan is to follow current HumCo Covid Guidelines and not require proof of vaccine or recent testing. Vaccine requirement is difficult, testing nearly impossible given timeline. We will have "mask areas" in food and drink lines, have "mask zones for closely-confined areas." We will have the right to DQ riders who are difficult/refuse masking. Tim to follow up with Brewery again. Pearl to contact the pony truck people who have ABC license. We can provide a mask in race packet and have masks available. Tim - the Grange is meeting tomorrow, and we are on the agenda regarding breakfast. Pearl will send out email for trail needs. Volunteer needs/sign up to follow. Travis to update email list. Tim to follow up with AI about our plan.
- b. Arcata Community Forest: Emily Sinkhorn - new to position, came to check on partnership and encourage continuity. Impressed with all the improvements, especially over past 5 years. Loves the new PB and jump line reroutes, appreciates support and direction. Looking forward to building on opportunities and expanding access. Pump Track plans will come with redwood park redesign. Timeline is next construction year. SHN, Pearl, and city staff out there this morning to look at drainage. Emily would like to look at skills park development in the future. Ridge Trail is City's main goal this year, has been challenging due to lawsuit. Sean T sent over some alternate alignments to avoid potential user conflicts; City much appreciated the ideas. Please encourage responsible cycling speeds amongst members. Travis mentions need for user counts. Who is using what when? Being discussed by City.
- c. McKinleyville/GDRC: Fyfe cleaned up maps and submitted to Tom. GDRC waiting on some data. Bob Voigt came up with potential route that included GDRC and County land. GDRC on board with helping.

- d. County still waiting on MOU process.

VII. New Business:

- a. Sean T donated a laptop to the Club for secretary and treasurer use. Thanks!

VIII. Add-on agenda items:

- a. Sean R and Sean T discussed timeline for existing projects. Sean R wants to revisit strategic planning process to help us plan. Curt Calhoun offered to help us. We will invite him to the next meeting and hope to strategic plan in November. Sean R requests approval to move forward....and the Board thinks it's cool.
- b. Adam wants to use his energy this winter and looking for open trail areas. Recommend that he follow Fyfe to tap into McKinleyville.
- c. Travis wants our video out!!! Need YouTube video on home page. Table Days for Blue Lake! Travis will get video up on website.
- d. Tom G reached out to Trail Forks (see past minutes), and has not heard back.

IX. Actions Items this Meeting:

- a. Steven will add Willow Creek GoFundMe to social media
- b. Blue Lake Committee will take up trail feature discussion and implement a system.
- c. New kiosk and signage is on the way for Blue Lake. Gina and Steven will continue to work with Noah on final.
- d. Tim and Tom will develop a scholarship program for RCMBA.
- e. Re: Race – Pearl will contact Pony Truck to gauge interested in serving at event; Tim will contact MRBC regarding donation and field vs parking lot; Tim will attend the Grange Board meeting on 9/8; Steven will send race volunteer sign up email.
- f. Travis will update email list.
- g. RCMBA will begin strategic planning in November with the help of Curt Calhoun

X. Next Meeting time and date: The James house, Monday, October 4th at 6:30 pm

XI. Meeting Adjourned: 8:28