

Eldorado National Forest Interpretive Association (ENFIA)

Board Meeting Minutes

April 17, 2024 @ 9:00AM (PST)

Board Members present: Stan Trevena, Ken Nieland, Barbara Simpson, Edi Barrow, and Bruce Odelberg

Board Members absent: None

Others present: Kristi Schroeder, Mike Conroy, Mike Barrow, Frank Tortorich, Phil Hartvig

1. On-line Zoom meeting opened by Stan at 9:10am. Quorum present.
2. Approval of Minutes from March 20, 2024 by majority vote.
3. President's Report - Stan Trevena
 - Solar @ Station - Fixed and done. Does powerstrip need updating for higher watt/ faster recharging by PCTers? This is desired by USFS.
 - Weather Station - New one installed @ station last week - done
 - Carson Pass Hiking Guide - 200 copies ordered, done.
 - Scheduling software - Volunteer Scheduler Pro aka VSP being purchased and tested. Will open to others for testing and release to all by 5/11 training.
4. USFS Report - Kristi
 - Access slowly opening up. Working on hazard/tree inspections @ campgrounds. Stan noted the sticky doors @ CPIS being evaluated for fixing.
5. Vice President's Report - Ken Nieland
 - Junior Ranger project - Dead for now.
 - Wrights Lake amphitheater update still with USFS working with Eagle Scout.
 - Budget Committee - Ken pass on to Barb as Treasurer, see below
 - Fundraising - need projects to have monetary goals to plan fundraising
6. Treasurer's Report - Barb Simpson
 - Draft 10/1/23-9/30/24 Budget is in the Board of Directors file in Google Drive. Will need USFS approval. Still awaiting Jan/Feb/Mar reports from CPA.
 - After Credit Card Paid \$70,233.71
7. ENFIA Retail Report - Stan Trevena in Lisa's absence
 - Stocking up CP prior to 5/24. Making orders including new t-shirt & hat with fingerprint/GPS coordinates for Desolation. New ENF shirt also ordered.
8. Carson Pass Station Managers Report - Mike Conroy & Mike Barrow
 - Docent Training in SLT on May 11th, de-winterizing May 18th, opening May 24th. Mike Conroy getting a good response on Interpretive Hike leaders. New docents 6-7 so far and 11 hike leaders.

9. Membership Update - Down to 129 and still weeding out. About 59 docents.
Note that auto renewal within Wild Apricot is being changed to be optional (single or family), not mandatory as in the past.
10. Facilities Report - Phil Hartvig: Working with 2 Mikes on station opening logistics
11. Other Old Business -
 - After USFS report: Discussed credit card vs cash again. Amador CC only and no problems. Issue with providing water, as it's an essential item, to people with only cash. Station water are a precious commodity for docents & PCTers, especially with no USFS campground @ Silver Lake closed and no water to SL Cabin. Ideas tossed around. Final resolution TBD.
 - Bear Canisters: Edi working on updated form. Will be the same as used by Placerville/Camino. Will use Square to ring up a \$5 service fee and charge for the full cost of the canister \$87 + tax, which will be returned to borrower when canister is returned.
 - Last year CPIS did not issue distance permits. PCTA is to provide full page instructional page to us (Kristi) and we will start doing so again. Hoping to have a PCTA person @ May 11th meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 10:23am Next meeting May 15, 2024 @ 9am
Submitted by: Edi Barrow, ENFIA Secretary