

AERC BOD phone meeting minutes 2/5/07

1- Housekeeping

Roll Call and excusals – Kathleen Henkel:

In Attendance: Stagg Newman, Mike Maul, Nick Warhol, Patti Pizzo, Mike Jaffe, Jennifer Nice, Connie Caudill, Joyce Mocilan, Joe Long, Jan Stevens, Tom Dean, Terry Woolley Howe, John H. Parke, Susan Kasemeyer, Joe Schoech, Roger Taylor, Jeff Trinkle, Kim Fuess, Laura Hayes, Dinah Rojek, Mike Tomlinson, Kathleen A. Henkel

Not in Attendance: Robert Ribley, Gail Williams

Also in Attendance: DAL elects: Heidi Smith.

Excusals in advance from tonight's meeting : Barry Waitte

2- Membership Statistics:

Kathleen Henkel : 4578 members today, 4575 this time in 2006. 401 new members so far in 2007, up from 412 this time in 2006.

3- Approval of minutes:

- Midyear Board meeting minutes are approved with the modified wording from Kathleen. (from Roger T's request from the last meeting regarding insurance on the Santa Fe ride) Motion approved unanimously.
- December Jan 8th meeting minutes- motion for approval, motion passes unanimously.

4- Committee Reports: BOD Members should have read all written committee reports prior to the call.

The following committees have brief oral reports and/or Motions to Present:

- 1- Membership Committee: Stagg N presents a proposal brought up like the original campaign from Maggie Price- "everyone get one" campaign; this is defined as every AERC member getting a new member, not a renewal, into the AERC, gets a bumper sticker. The cost to the AERC is just time and a little postage due to the donations provided by a group of people close to Maggie. Office is okay with the effort.
- 2- Sanctioning committee: Susan K- Presents motion for BOD approval for 3 new pioneer rides:
 - a. Wyoming Pioneer, MTN region, June 15/17, Jan S. approves
 - b. Western Maine Pioneer, NE Region, Aug 1/3, Stan E. approves
 - c. Mount Forest Pioneer, NE Region, Ontario Canada, July 19/21, Stan E. approves. Motion for approval- first two pass unanimously, the third passes with one nay vote. (Dina R.)

There was discussion regarding the scheduling of rides, especially 100s, near or close to each other. (in this case in the NE region) It is an issue, but with 600 miles and an international border involved, there isn't much that can be done in this case. It is agreed that the more 100s the better, and more communication and planning will always help with scheduling rides. The sanctioning committee will look at recommending a policy to look at this and make a recommendation for the BOD for discussion at the midyear meeting.

Stagg asks the sanctioning committee to recover the proposal to be able to approve pioneer rides without BOD approval if the entire committee approves. The committee will meet at the convention to bring this forward.

5- Old Business: None Reported.

6- New Business:

- 1- Stagg requests brief committee reports from each committee ready for the convention. This includes recommendations for new committees, merging, removal, and organization changes.**
- 2- Stagg is looking for agenda items for the convention BOD meeting, including help from the two president candidates for planning on the Sunday BOD meeting. He wants to get the agenda in place with enough time to update if needed.**
- 3- Officer elections- elected on Saturday, new president does not have much time to work with committee chairs before the Sunday meeting. Stagg asks that committee chairs, or perspective chairs announce their intentions as soon as possible.**
- 4- Susan K brings up a general discussion about the length of the BOD general session, it may be too short. Stagg will work with Robert to see if it can't be started a little earlier.**
- 5- Jerry F provides an update on the MOU with the BLM. The language has been finished, it will be approved by the BLM, and when returned it will be presented to Stagg and John P. Hopefully it can be ready for the convention to present. John P suggests a draft be sent out early, Jerry will try to get that out.**
- 6- Jerry F also describes the new organization of the trail committee, and a recommendation for a new chair.**

The BOD goes into Executive Session to get an update on two matters.

7-Meeting Adjourned at 7:05 pm PST.