

## **AERC BOD Conference Call**

**July 10, 2017**

President Paul Latiolais called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm PST

Present at the meeting were Paul Latiolais, Susan Kasemeyer, Sue Keith, Mollie Krumlaw-Smith, Michael Campbell, Monica Chapman, Connie Caudill, Jan Stevens, Mary Howell, Nick Kohut, Stephanie Teeter, Lisa Schneider, Duane Barnett, Barbara Reinke, Olin Balch, Susan Garlinghouse, Mike Maul, Paul Sidio, Christoph Schork.

Excusals - Bob Marshall vacation, John Parke scheduling conflicts, Heather Reynolds horse colic.

Connie Caudill made a motion to excuse Bob Marshall, John Parke, and Heather Reynolds . Mary Howell second. Motion passed

President Paul Latiolais asked if there were any corrections to the minutes. None requested.

Jan Stevens moved to approve the minutes, second Susan Kasemeyer. Motion Passed

Membership Report --Kathleen Henkel

Membership as of 7/8/16 4885

Membership as of 7/5/17 4680

Sanction fees as of 7/5/16 \$15,485

Sanction fees as of 7/5/17 \$15,393

Riders fees as of 7/5/16 \$45,681

Riders fees as of 7/5/17 \$40,634

New members as of 7/8/16 519

New members as of 7/5/17 430

Membership Committee

Mary Howell chair of the Membership Committee reported that Rickie Stone Membership Committee member was interviewed by Karen Chaton on her radio show Horses in the Morning. The interview was about the Green Bean program. The program has 200 +members with 50 members without AERC miles. One of the requirements of membership in the Green Bean Program is membership in AERC. The 50 members that do not have AERC miles brings in over \$3000.00 to AERC.

### **Business before the Board**

**Supporting Organization update.** John Parke - Tabled to August Midyear meeting.

**Intro Ride Rules Motion** from the Rules Committee – Lisa Schneider tabled to Midyear meeting.

**Motion Caja Trails Grant.** Motion from the Trails Committee - Monica Chapman

Motion: Caja Del Rio Trail Grant request for Gates

Proposing Committee: Trails and Land Management

Date of Motion (Date to be presented to BOD) 7-10-17

Classification of Motion Request (new, change, add, delete, by-law, rule, policy): New

Proposed Motion (use exact wording): The Trails and Land Management Committee moves that AERC, using designated Trails Grants, fund a portion of the Phase II Caja plan by installing six or more metal livestock gates in the Caja del Rio, USFS Santa Fe National Forest. Santa Fe, NM... Funds requested: Up to \$3,000

Background, analysis and benefit (describe the problem this motion is solving): These gates would improve riding trails originating at the current Headquarters Well trailhead, which is used as our local Caja del Rio endurance ride base camp (Figures 1-3). The gates would replace wire range gates at a stock tank (the 700 well) that are often wired shut and that present safety issues to riders. The gates would also build good will with the local Caja del Rio La Majada grazing association. Three of these gates would improve access for riders from a new National Historical trail (El Camino Real de Tierra Adentro) trailhead that is being built along the Caja's eastern escarpment and that may become a future AERC base camp.

Budget effect/impact (Attach spreadsheet if appropriate): Funds from dedicated Trails Grant fund

Benefit and/or Impact to Membership and/or the AERC Organization: AERC contributions to the Caja, even as simple gates, keeps endurance riders (and recreational riding needs) in the forefront with our local land managers. This proposed work is part of a long-term project vision for the Caja del Rio.

Impact on AERC Office (Work load, budget): Minimal staff time.

Committees consulted and/or affected: Trails and Land Management Committee

Implementation plan (Schedule, resources, financial): Phase I actions (development of the Headquarters Well Trailhead and general cleanup) were largely accomplished with 2007 RTP grant funding. Gates proposed as part of this AERC grant) would address a portion of proposed Phase II actions.

Supporting materials (List of any other documents and/or spreadsheets): Phase III actions are TBD, but include establishment of the Caja as a portion of the Rio Grande Trail system. These trails would dovetail with El Camino Real routes and the Historical Route 66 and would have NPS support.

A vote was called. Motion passed

**ADA Compliance and Bylaw discussion.** John Parke - Tabled to August Midyear meeting.

With no other business before the Board. Connie Caudill moved to a adjourn, second by Jan Stevens.

Meeting adjourned 6:13 pm PST

Submitted by Sue Keith