



GREAT PLAINS TRAILS NETWORK  
May Meeting Minutes  
May 11, 2015  
6 PM Social Event, Meeting to Follow  
The Torell's Estate, 6020 So. 88th

Meeting called to order by President Roger Hirsch at 7:37 PM

**MEMBERS:**

**Present: 14**

Sonderup	Case	Wehrbein
M. Torell	Greene	Hirsch
Vannier	Scoby	Hammer
Stevens	Arp	B. Torell
Thacker	Godfrey	

**Absent: 9**

Baker	Heinrich	Hersey
Rosenboom	Ringlein	Messerer
Warren	Dunbar	Collier

Excused Absences: Bentrup, Burd, Griffin

Guest(s): Many guests

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**ADIOS TO BETH!** – Hirsh, Greene and Vannier

- Beth gave a moving speech. Mementos given to Beth. Many thanks from Beth.

**Updates on Flood Damaged Trail Damage** – Genrich

- Terry Genrich gave an update on the flood damage to the Jamaica Trail from Pioneers south the Saltillo Road. Damage is severe in some locations. Approximately 90% of the section from Pioneers to Saltillo is damaged. Other Lincoln trail closures addressed.
- Good news is Old Cheney and 84<sup>th</sup> underpass; Storm Water Management has issued a design contract to address sediment issues.
- FEMA or NEMA will bring 80 to 90% of funds to help with repairs to the trails.

**Roll Call** – All members

- All members reviewed their occupations or previous occupations if retired.

### **Approval of April GPTN meeting minutes - Godfrey**

- Stevens moved and Case seconded to approve the April GPTN minutes. Approved.

### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT - Hirsch**

#### **Addition of Courtney Jerke – Hirsch**

- Moved by Hirsch and seconded by M. Torell to add Courtney Jerke to the GPTN Board. Approved.

### **VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Noe**

- Nothing at this time.

### **Treasurer's Report – Hersey**

- Not reviewed.

### **Nebraska Trails Foundation (NTF) and GPTN Direction of funds – Hirsch**

- Three motions for GPTN funds in NTF reviewed by Hirsch.
- Distinction between funds sent to NTF and GPTN reviewed.
- Moved by Noe and seconded by Coble to approve the three resolutions in regards to donations to NTF on the behalf of GPTN.

### **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

#### **Fundraising Committee – NA**

- No report given.

#### **Government Relations Committee – M. Torell**

- Bike to School Day reviewed by M. Torell. It was May 6<sup>th</sup>. Good turnout and Governor Ricketts was presented a Nebraska Bicycle Alliance jersey and also read a proclamation for Bike to School Day, Bike to work week, and Bike Month for Nebraska. Prescott Elementary had 66 kids ride to school. Bike Rack provided free helmets to all kids that didn't have a helmet. M. Torell spoke to the Governor regarding bicycle issues. Great headway made with the Governor regarding bicycle and trail related issues.

#### **Public Relations Committee – Noe**

- Noe stated Dunbar is now the Chair of this Committee.
- Trail Trek has 147 paying adults thus far.
- Market to Market Charity of Choice Agreement – Noe
  - \$1,750 will be given to NTF from Pink Gorilla for manning three aid stations. Will also need to secure JSTC for packet stuff. Need 20 volunteers. Locations for volunteering 262<sup>nd</sup> Street (prior to Eagle), Finish line, and exchange point coordinator.
  - Motion by Thacker and Coble seconded to approve the motion by Noe to support the Market to Market proposal as stated above.
- T-shirt reorder discussed by Godfrey.
  - If anyone interested, please speak to Corey.

#### **Trail Use and Activities Committee – Greene & Vannier**

- Tour de Lincoln Update Vannier stated Tour de Lincoln is fast approaching, but will have a location change due this week. Volunteers needed. Noe and Hirsch will help. Also need help next week.

**Trail Trek Committee – NA**

- Nothing to report.

**Finance Committee – Godfrey**

- Nothing to report.

**Administration Committee – Hirsch**

- Nothing to report.

**ADDITIONAL ITEMS:**

**PROBABLE AGENDA ITEMS for next Board meeting:**

1. Kellee Van Bruggen from CC Planning Dept. will make presentations on (1) results of NHWA safety evaluation on 27<sup>th</sup> St., and (2) bike-share update.

**Next GPTN Board meeting:**

- Jayne Snyder Trails Center, June 8, 2015, 7 PM

**Adjournment** at 8:11 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Corey Godfrey, GPTN Secretary