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## GPTN BOARD MEETING

*Jane Snyder Trail Center, April 16, 2018*

### CALL TO ORDER

GPTN President Dena Noe called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm after the group photo of the Board at 6:45 pm.

### ROLL CALL

Attending: Ann Ringlein, Ray Stevens, Jordan Messerer, Kent Henning, Jim Krieger, Brett Baker Dale Arp, JP Jamison, Elaine Hammer, Karen Griffin, Shelby Robinson, Bill Wehrbein, Jeff Kimble, Ron Case, Marynelle Greene, Jamie Warren, Parks Coble, Rachelle Hadley, Mary Torell, Bob Torell, Gary Bentrup, Noel Briseno, Corey Godfrey, Charlene Dunbar, Steve Dunbar, Dena Noe, Greg Rosenboom,

Not in attendance: Kris Sonderup, Jesse Peterson, Chris Heinrich, Matt Baumeister

Guest - Doug Dittman

### Report from Doug Dittman

Doug Dittman from the Hub Cafe described his vision for an outdoor seating area south of the Jane Snyder Trails Center. Doug shared a plan of the proposed area, about 1690 square feet, surrounded by a railing and some sliding gates. Doug envisioned about using the area to host about 12 events per year, possibly also for wedding receptions, etc. This seating area would be in connection with the JSTC and would have to be reserved through Parks and Recreation. The Hub is able to offer \$5000 toward construction although there is yet no total estimate for the cost. The proposed time table is to complete the project this year. Doug requested a letter of support from GPTN for the project.

**Ray Stevens moved that GPTN support the concept of the seating area. Karen Griffin seconded. Discussion followed of possible events that would be held in the area. Discussion also covered pros and cons of the proposal. The vote by show of hands was 22 in favor, 2 against, with a couple of abstentions.**

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY, MARCH & ANNUAL MEETINGS

**Mary Torell moved acceptance of the January minutes. Noel Briseno seconded, passed by voice vote.**

**Elaine Hammer moved acceptance of the March 19, 2018 minutes with corrections (name corrections of speakers at Annual Meeting). Brett Baker seconded, passed by voice vote.**

**Mary Torell moved acceptance of the Annual Meeting minutes, Parks Coble seconded, passed by voice vote.**

**Mary Torell moved acceptance of the March 24, 2018 Meeting minutes with corrections, (Earth Day is April 28th). Jamie Warren seconded, passed by voice vote.**

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Charlene Dunbar is working with Jamie Warren to transition the Treasurer's responsibilities. The February report says provisional, but Jamie Warren went over the report with Charlene Dunbar, and it is final. **Brett Baker moved acceptance of the Treasurer's report, Ray Stevens seconded, passed by voice vote.**

## VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT

## STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Fundraising Committee, Gary Bentrup - The Fundraising Committee has not had a chance to meet yet, but Murdock Trail fundraising is finished. Construction will start this summer, so now the fundraising project is the Bridge. Give to Lincoln Day fundraising is to go to the Bridge. Give to Lincoln (GTL) Day will be May 31. Jane Snyder funds are no longer available to match GTL Day. We could consider using Trail Trek funds to be the match. **Gary Bentrup made a motion that GPTN will match the GTL funds, up to \$10,000 (without specifying where the funds come from). Seconded by Karen Griffin. Passed by unanimous voice vote.**

Streets Alive is September 23 and Board action is needed. **Gary Bentrup made a motion that GPTN is a sponsor at the Bronze Level (\$500) level. Bob Torell seconded. Passed by unanimous voice vote.** Dena Noe will complete the application.

- Government Relations Committee Mary Torell reported on legislative bills that affect GPTN. The major bill that affects cyclists bill is the increase in speed limits on highways. Also, the driverless car bill passed.

- Public Relations Committee

GPTN Board needs to appoint a chair.

BikeLNK (bike share) kick off is April 20 GPTN will have a table and riders at the event which will start at Community Gardens and go to Haymarket, Table is in the Haymarket near the Cube.

The Panic Bar casino night is April 20, Panic is giving some of the proceeds to GPTN, as an example, last year Panic donated to the Alzheimer's Association.

Earth Day Booth will be April 28 from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. GPTN is featuring a bike ride, Mary Torell is coordinating the ride.

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- Trail Use and Activities Committee

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Tour de Lincoln will be on May 10, 17, 24, 31. Mary Torell is leading the first one on the southwest route. Mary Torell is sending email to recruit leaders.

- Finance Committee

Corey Godfrey reported no updates, next meeting will be the end of this month or early next month.

- Trail Trek

Trail Trek will be Saturday, June 23, 2018. Dale Arp reported that the next meeting is Thursday, April 19. Dena reported that 37 people have signed up so far, 19 behind where we were last year at this time, probably due to weather.

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mike Heyl sent notice that speaker Mark Fenton, an active living and exercise motivational speaker, and an advocate for bike and pedestrian friendly cities, will be in Lincoln for Workwell events. He is available for a speaking engagement on May 3. Mark Heyl needs \$500, possibly with other organizations, to sponsor a speaking slot during the day. The time slot is a weekday, workday morning. There was no enthusiasm from the Board for the event.

98<sup>th</sup> & A Street Update - Dena received a plan via email from Sara Hartzell saying the MoPac Trail will stay as it currently is, since a financial backer of the development backed out. Plans show the current going all the way to 98th with one additional crossing. Public hearing still has to take place. The trail will now not have to be paved. Ray Stevens says that since a street crossing is going across, have a stop on the street so that bikers/runners have the right of way.

Murdock Trail is in design, Sara Hartzell and Parks needs some input, Elaine Hammer will volunteer.

Membership Drive: GPTN is currently at 893 members and has received some members through Trail Trek registrations.

SpreeTail: Approached Dena Noe looking for a Trail Project.

Market 2 Market: Dena Noe needed a motion to sign Community Partnership Agreement, Bill Wehrbein moved and Rachelle Hadley seconded to approve GPTN's participation as volunteers for M2M 2018 passed on voice vote. Market 2 Market is October 6.

**Bob Torell motion and Cory Godfrey seconded the approve for American Trail membership payment of \$50. Passed on voice vote.**

## Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm

## NEXT MEETING

Monday, May 21, 2018.