

December Board Meeting 12/3/20

03 December 2020 / 7:00 PM / Google Meet <https://meet.google.com/uut-yias-bkr>

Attendees

Erik Schutz, Matt Kantola, Colin Eggleton, Wendi Reuter-Lorenz, Aaron Day, Stan Spencer, Isaac Robison, Rob Knight, Jim Lyall, Michael Bell, Felicity Knight, Brittany Preston, Jessica Brodie/ John Brodie

Absent: Ben Bardwell

AGENDA

Last Meeting Follow-up

1. Approve Meeting Minutes from November 2020 BOD meeting

Motion to approve- Rob Knight , Second- Isaac , Carried

New Business

1. Financial Policies
 - o Discuss CPA assistance- Erik asked Lynn Spencer if she could help put together a set of policies/procedures/and systems. This will help us get more sustainably organized.

Old Business

1. Catamount Trail Association update
 - a. Discuss details of chapter membership- On Nov 30 Erik and Stan met with Matt Williams, the Executive Director of CTA. Erik explained the details of the relationship to the BOD . Biggest points were their 7000 email contact list, Waiver language for events, Experience with ROW deed acquisitions for trails, and a youth program, as well as Insurance for hiking/biking/skiing work.
 - b. approve/disapprove

Motion to join CTA as a chapter pending membership directions within website , and CTA board approval- Stan , Second- Colin, Carried

2. Articles of Incorporation- Discussion around signing of the document. Felicity recommended we sign via a digital platform.

Motion to adopt the Articles of Incorporation- Aaron , Second-Colin , Carried

3. Amended Bylaws
 - a. Approve Sending Governance Docs to Kelly Murphy for IRS 501c3 application

Motion to accept new bylaws as written/ organized by Kelley Murphy for 501c3 status- Matt , Second-Stan , No discussion, Carried

- b. Review ATA Policies- Erik noted that we already need some updates. Erik asked the BOD to review the document and contact him with suggestions. Things like election and budget due dates need to be clarified. And there are now new committees.

Committee updates

1. Winter Trails
 - a. Framework for trails to maintain on old resort. Aaron - had his last trail day, and he reviewed what new trails were opened. Property owners association opened the trail above the condos. Discussion about how to promote winter trails/skiing and whether or not to expand the ATA Guidebook. Rob offered to reach out to Ascutney Market to sell Merch.
2. Trails Committee
 - a. Connector Trail- Jim explained that he has stayed out of the woods during hunting season, but only small additions need to be finalized before finishing up in April. He expects it will be about 20 to 40 hours total of work before final State opening approval. E-bike policy needs to be reviewed for all trails.
 - b. Weathersfield Spur/ State FP&R update- Stan has little to report due to hunting season. Still waiting on a letter of cooperation and then approval for trail system development. We did get permission to clear some of the deadfall out of the skiable logging roads and Stan will be doing that next week.
3. Flow Trail Committee- Aaron and Jim met with Will from Powderhorn and worked on reroutes that meet the needs of AO and the WWindsor Conservation Commission. Aaron has also initiated the act 250 process and is working with the town to learn the details. The Community Forest Master Plan will also need to be updated...UVLT approval,...Selectboard....and then contact Stephanie (ACT 250).
4. Events Committee
 - a. Vermont Mountain Bike Festival -Erik; develop MOU with Height of Land Publications
5. Youth Group Committee- John Brodie has little to add but is interested in ideas. Stan mentioned the need to contact Weathersfield School for inclusiveness and equipment. Also discussion of restarting Tuesday Night Snowshoe and or Full Moon Hikes when COVID abbates. Enthusiastic yes, but COVID is not letting up!
6. Website/Social Media/Marketing- Wendi has been discussing E-Bikes with the Vermont Standard and there is a willingness to promote us in an article. Wendi also mentioned that the ATA website was not working for her to buy merchandise. Erik will test.

Adjourned: 20:41