

## CATA Board Meeting 10/5/2015

In attendance: Mike Mitchell, Joe Jacobs, Basil Hicks, Jr., Kristi Tucker, Matt Goddard, Bob Oken, Brett Budolfson, Tina Mitchell, Bruce Alt, Cliff Li

1. Welcome/introductions of guests – Mike Mitchell
  - a. Tina Mitchell, Cliff Li, and Bob Oken
2. Action to fill two vacant Board positions – Joe Jacobs
  - a. Need to update board members on by-laws: Kay Crutchfield, Bruce Alt, and David Reckert
  - b. Additions to the may be appointed by the board.
  - c. The board unanimously elected Tina Mitchell and Cliff Li to the Board of Directors.
3. Appoint nominating committee to nominate board and officer positions at next member meeting – Mike Mitchell
  - a. Kristi will pass out nomination form to membership at the next meeting
4. Report on Big Rock Mountain Bike Festival – Joe Jacobs
  - a. Great venue and good turnout. Need a way to invite people in. A banner or something similar.
  - b. Need to advertise more and earlier next year.
  - c. Possibly have a small kids event earlier to get the trail ready for the event
  - d. Made contact with Dhu Thompson with Delta Plastics who is a potential donor.
  - e. 202 events nation wide. Could hold the event on a different day if CATA wanted to.
5. Report on IMBA government relations - Bruce Alt
  - a. 200 chapters nation wide. Efforts started 3 years ago.
  - b. Government relations talks with IMBA board on wilderness area use.
    - i. Possibly looking at changing designation of wilderness area to national monuments which would allow MTB access where wilderness areas do not.
6. Trail projects – Joe Jacobs...currently setting up a ride with the Governor on the Delta Heritage Trail next week in Helena, AR.
  - a. Several workdays needed this fall
    - i. Big workday planned for Oct. 31 (Halloween Day) at Camp Robinson.
    - ii. Nov. 14 date for kids workday
    - iii. Dec. 5 Burns Park
      1. \*\*\*Notify membership early about these planned workdays this fall\*\*\*
    - iv. Comments to the need to have a more organized approach to our workdays...and meetings
    - v. Promote workdays through CATA newsletter
    - vi. Need to increase our engagement of our membership to get more involved in maintenance projects and other service events.
    - vii. Engage other user groups to help in trail additional trail maintenance.
    - viii. Prioritize projects like those below for workdays
      1. Reroutes at Jack Fork
      2. Possible extension at Rabbit Ridge
      3. Replace bridge near Pfeiffer Loop
      4. Possible solutions to improve sand accumulation on Pfeiffer
      5. Fixing the reroute at Burns across from BMX track
      6. Clean up day at Boyle
      7. Possible reroute and maintenance at Allsopp

8. Regular maintenance at Camp
    - ix. Nature Conservancy Property
    - x. Fouche Creek with Norm Berner
7. Consider adopting IMBA trail construction and maintenance standards with safety modification
  - a. Need to develop a trail maintenance standard for our workdays to encourage proper trail maintenance practices.
8. Date for general member meeting
  - a. Nov. 10 is proposed date
  - b. Target general meeting places that will support CATA by providing meeting space in exchange for our business during the meeting. Hopefully this will turn in to support by the business for our organization.
    - i. Matt Goddard will talk with U.S. Pizza Co. about a Nov. 10 meeting date
9. Other business
  - a. Mike, Joe, Basil, and Matt met with COO of Hot Springs Village (David Twig). Lots of interest in promoting outdoor user groups in the Hot Springs Village and surrounding areas. Wants to build trail in the village, and promote via advertisement to new business supporting outdoor lifestyles.

Respectfully submitted,

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