

Board Meeting (via Zoom) Minutes December 9, 2021

Attendees: Dave Minott, Donna Forsythe, Sophia Sweeny, Mark Bealafeld, Dave Vanderwater, John Losse, Judy Dolloff, Harry Strong, Ray LaPorte, Jim Sweeny, Charlie Schudson, Al Vander Peut, Terri Petrescu.

Absent : Michael McCaffrey, Ken Ferguson, Patti Pierce, Patty Persons.

Board Guest: Sandy Heysinger (member of the Board of the Sedona Red Rock Trail Fund)

Dave Minott opened the meeting at 4:02 pm

Vote to Approve Executive Board Meeting Minutes

"I hereby make the motion to approve the minutes of the Board Meetings held on the following dates: August 18, 2021 and September 22, 2021". Motion was made by Al Vander Peut and seconded by Terri Petrescu.

The vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

Action item: The Executive Board Meeting Minutes for 8/18/2021 and 9/22/2021 have been approved.

Red Rock Trail Fund Donation Allocation Vote

"I hereby make the motion that the Sedona Westerners, as of January 2022, and subject to a vote to approve by the Membership, make their organizational match donation to the Sedona Red Rock Trail Fund (SRRTF) in a set amount of \$1000 per year in a five-year pledge, and to make that donation through the Sedona Trailkeepers organization, with no changes in how individual member donation to the SRRTF are made". Motion was made by Al Vander Peut and seconded by Mark Bealafeld. Discussion ensued whereby it was explained that doing our donation through the Sedona Trailkeepers, would add another donation match, on top of the one that we have had in the past, thereby allowing the SRRTF to receive more funds through our donation.

The vote was unanimous. The motion carried. This item will be presented to the Membership at the January 13, 2022 general meeting for a vote.

Action item: This change to our Sedona Red Rock Trail Fund donation will be presented to the general membership in attendance at our January 13, 2022 meeting for a vote.

Sedona Shuttle Bus

A discussion about the how the planned shuttle bus would impact the Sedona Westerners when they go out on hikes that would utilize the trail head parking sites that will be closed. A consensus was reached

that a letter from the Trail Boss, Dave Minott, should be sent to the City of Sedona officials making them aware of our organization, our members, and potential issues that could arise to try to open a dialogue between the two organizations to find some workable solution. The trailheads that are slated to be affected are: Dry Creek, Little Horse, and Mescal. There will also be parking restrictions at Cathedral Rock and Soldiers Pass. The shuttles are slated to operate Thursday through Sundays.

Action item: A letter will be sent to the Sedona City Counsel to inform them of our organization and see if a dialogue can be opened to find a workable solution for the amount of hikers that our hikes can generate, and the upcoming shuttle system.

New Business

Donna Forsythe asked if a determination has been made about whether the January general meeting will be in person or via Zoom, as she arranges for the guest speakers. It was mentioned that it is too early to make that determination, though it does seem unlikely when looking at the COVID numbers. This will be addressed at a further date.

There was no further new business.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:44 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sophia Sweeny
Wrangler