

BCHKS BOD meeting via Zoom

June 23, 2024, Meeting called to order at 7:01 p.m.

Present: Stephanie Huss, Jim & Cheryl Thomas, Diana Skinner, Laura Smyth, Sheila Watkins and Pattie Stalder

1. Minutes from last meeting were approved as submitted.
2. Financial report provided by Sheila, ending balance is \$\$8,248.83. Complete financial report will be provided to be attached to the minutes.
3. Laura reported that Chisholm Trail is working to support other organizations and promoting membership in BCHKS.
4. Expansion Committee: Diana, nothing new
5. Media and Marketing: Pattie, nothing new
6. Public Lands: Cheryl on Jim's behalf, lots of promotion for saw certification which doesn't affect Kansas. Several serious accidents and a death reported in other states and non-equestrians in horse camps still a priority.
7. Membership: Sheila, the Neon program used by KHC is still being figured out. KHC still owes BCHKS for 2 memberships.
8. Volunteer Hours: Cheryl posted a reminder online to keep track of hours. BCHA has increased the dollar value of some volunteer categories.
9. Chapter Reports:
 - a. ESP is clearing a lot of downed trees and getting help from the park employees. Tomorrow they will be putting gravel in some low spots.
 - b. Randolph has 2 trees down that still need to be removed. Two 9 ½" tall pipe structures were built to mount the Opie Trail signs. Panels should be ready to construct pens in early July and park manager said he'll have the ground leveled with some base materials added. He has added gravel in low spots leading into the primitive area.
 - c. Saddle Ridge has new corrals. They have received positive feedback on the reservation surveys. Steph is working on new maps and campsite details. There is a new camp host and the new section of trail is holding up well.
 - d. Rockhaven held a shareholder meeting recently that Diana attended.
10. Jamboree recap: We will have more discussion about when to begin selling raffle tickets for 2nd saddle, possibly at the Randolph ride in September.
11. Newsletter, Laura volunteered to help produce the newsletter.
12. Annual Meeting, several locations were proposed including the Pizza Ranch in Emporia which can be reserved for a Saturday.
13. Cheryl asked about plans for financially assisting chapters like Black Hawk. Steph suggested having a ride and raffle there. Jim and Cheryl will contact them. A possible date suggested was following EquiFest, 2025.
14. Sheila shared that all tax document filings are now finalized. We are officially a 501c3 non-profit organization.
15. Diana moved to adjourn the meeting.
16. Meeting adjourned at 7:57