**Sunflower BCHA Quarterly Meeting**

**Eisenhower State Park, 6pm**

**October 12, 2018**

Meeting was brought to order at West Point Campground, Eisenhower State Park, Melvern Lake, at 6pm, by President Diana Skinner.

Minutes were approved as read.

Treasurer’s Report showed a beginning balance of $1,656.88. A check for $800 for the purchase of Dream Ride panels was written to Dewayne Burgess. Ending Sunflower BCHA balance is $856.88.

Lake Reports –

* Perry Lake – No updates. Jo Turner provided recent work hours to Cheryl
* Pomona Lake – No updates. Kenny Patterson shared work hours with Cheryl.
* Eisenhower State Park – Benefit Ride Weekend, October 12-14. Attendance will probably be down due to weather.
* Tri Trail BCHA-Ks Benefit, Vassar – Scheduled for October 20, Salt Creek Ranch. Only five teams registered, so far.
* Clinton Lake – No updates. Work days will be posted on Facebook and bchkansas.com.

Old Business:

* Dillon’s Reward Card – Diana reviewed the Dillon’s Community Rewards program. BCHA-Ks receives about $600/year from the program.
* Dream Ride Panels – Dewayne and Jim picked up 40 panels from the fall Dream Ride, which were purchased from Bluestem Farm & Ranch. Jim reported that he would not have to use them for the ESP ride. Either Jim or Dewayne will deliver 16 panels to Clinton; the remainder will go to Perry. Dewayne reported that some of the panels might be loaned to the Lawrence Christmas Parade.
* Panels – Ideas for labeling or stenciling the panels to give credit to BCHA were discussed. Diana will check out the cost of some options. Dewayne will check with Ed Jarvis on stencil possibilities.
* Trail Sharing Signs – Cheryl provided updates on the BCHA grant-funded trail sharing signs that have been distributed at several trail heads throughout the state. Still waiting on approval to post on Flint Hills Trail (rail trail).
* BCHA-Ks Website – Diana reported that President Erin Glassman is working on the BCHA-Kansas website (bchkansas.com). Regional chapters will be linked to the website. Diana suggested adding pages for each lake to the Sunflower page.
* BCHA-Ks Postcards – Diana distributed postcard-size informational cards that were printed at a cost of .14/each. The cards can be distributed person-to-person or placed under windshield wipers of vehicles at trailheads. The cards promote the efforts of BCHA-Ks and include the Facebook page and web address. Diana and Cheryl will research a business-size card that could be printed at less cost.
* Volunteer Hours – Diana reminded everyone that volunteer work hours are due to Cheryl by December 1. Cheryl submits a totals report to national BCHA, and Jim shares the information with KDWP&T and other public land managers.

New Business:

* Be sure to list upcoming work days on Facebook and bchkansas.com
* Diana reported that Rockhaven Campground at Clinton is searching for a new camp host.
* The Annual BCHA-Ks Meeting will be March 15 & 16, Lamont Hill and Salt Creek Ranch, Vassar. Board meeting will take place Friday night at Lamont Hill. A trail ride is tentatively planned for Saturday on the Flint Hills Trail near Salt Creek Ranch. Overnight camping is available at Salt Creek Ranch.
* It’s almost time to pay 2019 dues; $45/individual, $50/family.
* Jo Turner asked how to submit calendar items for Perry to the BCHA web page. Cheryl will provide Jo’s email to Erin.
* Cheryl introduced ESP/Pomona Parks Manager Dale Schweiger, and Dale reported on variety of seasonal openings at those parks. Dale also reported on a grant that has been received to update and expand the Osage Campground on the east end of Pomona State Park. Expansion includes a new bathroom and some additional sites with pens that will be available to riders on the Flint Hills Trail. Due to private land surrounding the park, the connection between Osage Campground and the Flint Hills Trail will be by road.

The next quarterly meeting date will be announced. Be thinking about upcoming officer elections.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:45pm.

Cheryl Thomas, Sunflower BCHA Secretary