Back Country Horsemen of Nevada

MINUTES OF THE

State Meeting held at the Tonopah Convention Center on Saturday, February 8th, 2014

- 1. Meeting called to order by Don Daniel, Chairman, at 11:05 am.
- 2. Introduction of State Board Members and Chapter Officers/Members in attendance: Don Daniel, Chairman, Terry Jones, Vice Chair, Harlene Shepherd, Secretary. Ed Acosta, Jerry Williams, Chuck Vickrey, Jack Reed, Ann Windle, Lolly Jones, Danny & Vikki Riddle.
- 3. Motion to approve 2013 minutes was made by Chuck, Jack 2nd, all moved to approve.
- 4. Housekeeping:
 - a. Don asks that each chapter email their monthly minutes to the other state chapters and each email includes the Chapter President and Secretary. Terry mentions he would like emails lists of all chapter members.
 - b. BCH CA Rendezvous March 21 -24 2014, Don wants to offer volunteer support from the Nevada membership; he'll contact the CA president regarding this.
- 5. Chapter/State reports: There is no report from the State Treasurer due to illness, it's estimated there is approximately \$5000 in the state fund. (amount to be inserted when received)

Bristlecone: 28 family & 41 individual members 616 volunteer hours \$38,000 stock use value.

Carson: 55 family & 14 individual members 1788 volunteer hours, \$22,945 stock use value, Wolf Creek is their main project. They also volunteer at Candy Dance to make \$ for the chapter, \$600 was donated to the Douglas Co food drive.

High Sierra: 10 family & 10 individual memberships, 876 volunteer hours, total donation value \$37,560

6. OLD BUSINESS:

- a. National Board Meeting in Las Vegas April 2016: Terry Jones gives a brief report and is getting committees together to organize the events.
- b. Nevada 150th Anniversary/Nevada Day Parade: Don discusses and says if anyone is interested in riding in the parade they need to contact Donna Kapala from the High

Sierra Chapter through Brownbears.com. Don mentions there is a need for training for the horses before entering the parade and a committee should be formed to organize this. A motion is made by Jack; that Patti and Carol (from the Carson Chapter) will check into cost of parade registration and the funds will come from the State Treasury. Harlene 2nds, all move to approve.

7. Websites – Brownbears.com or webpages?: Moved to NEW BUSINESS b.

8. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Terry generously paid for the \$25 cost of the Tonopah Convention Center from Bristlecone funds.
- b. Websites Brownbears.com or webpages?: Jack motions that each chapters website should link to the other chapters, and leave as it is, Terry 2nds, all move to approve.
- c. Fundraisers: Don discusses that each chapter should share with the other chapters which ones work and which ones don't.
- d. Nevada Day Parade: Don proposes there be a committee of 6, 2 from each chapter to determine the costs/training/logistics. How much should we spend on saddle blankets, etc? Do we want a vehicle to follow with sign? Chuck says these committees should start in the next few weeks to get parade entry in order. People in Carson will volunteer their property for those who need to travel and camp.
- e. License Plate Frames: They cost \$1.81 each. Jack motions each chapter buy the plates from the state for \$3 and they must pay for them up front when ordering. The chapters sell for what they agree on and any profits go to that chapter. The motion is in effect from date of this meeting forward. Chuck 2nds, all move to approve.
- f. 501(c) 4 filing: Chuck asks that the State Secretary send out reminders in January for each chapter to file the 990EZ form.
- g. Joint Work Projects: Great Basin NP area National Trails: Terry and Danny discuss in detail and there is a detailed handout passed around about the projects (copies available by request to State Secretary) Danny is organizing a late June 25-29th project to maintain Secret Starr trail in Rubies that will involve packing in, Danny will email details to each Chapter.
- h. Revival of the Elko Chapter: Discussion follows by Don, Terry & Danny, and that Darlene from the old Chapter will help but not be an officer. Chuck makes a motion that when Elko decides to reinstate the Chapter, the State will initially fund the Chapter (since all of its funds went to the state) and the amount will be determined at a later date. Terry 2nds, all move to approve.
- i. Insurance: Terry says the Insurance company is ARC Agency out of Minnesota, Terry will send forms out for each Chapter President to fill out for their projects. He needs the forms in by April 1st, (newly revised per email by March 17^{th)}.
- j. Elk Camp 2014 Dec 4-7: Don says Dennis Serpa from CA Bch is coordinating but he had not heard back from him yet. Terry says it's a networking promotion for BCH not a membership drive.

- k. National Delegates Funding: It's currently at \$1000 per delegate. Chuck motions to leave it the same and Delegates submit expenses for review for their Transportation & Lodging & Fees. Ed 2nds the motion, all move to approve.
- 1. Longevity Recognition: Don gives the ideas, Chuck makes the motion Delegates need to bring to the National 'years of service' vs 'hours', and a state patch should be created. Terry 2nds, all move to approve.
- m. Jack talks about history of Ely Chapter that lasted 1 year, BCH should not receive \$ for services.
- 9. ELECTIONS: Jack moves to approve Don Daniel as President for 2014-2015, Harlene Shepherd as Secretary for 2014-2015, NB member Ed Acosta(North), Terry Jones (South), that the current Chapter Presidents act as State Directors in a one year term and they have the option to nominate a representative if they cannot attend the meeting. Terry Jones VP term will end 2014, Elaine MCPherson Treasurer term will end 2014. Change to State By-Laws regarding the Chapter Presidents act as Directors for the one year term.
- 10. MEETING ADJOURNED: 1:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by

Harlene Shepherd, Nevada State Secretary