

Ride and Tie Board Meeting December 13, 2023 9 pm EST/6 pm PST

1. Call to order - 6:09pm/9:09pm

2. Roll call - Carrie Baris, Rhonda Venable, Bob Heltibridle, Barb Mathews, Sara Boelt, Steve Shaw, Lani Newcomb, Chris Amaral, Greg Fellers, Steve Anderson

3. Approval of minutes from October 12, 2023 and November 15, 2023: Motion to approve the minutes from October 12, 2023 - Greg moved to approve, Bob seconded. Motion passed. (With change of \$1,500 to \$3,000 for AERC agreement from Steve Shaw). Motion to approve minutes from November 15, 2023. Bob moved to approve, Greg seconded. Motion passed.

4. Treasurer's Report/Finances - Update sent to the board prior to the meeting. Two platinum donors, Steve Anderson sent letters to the board so we would be aware. Rhonda ordered more swag for Ride and Tie store, did a reimbursement check for that.

5. Ongoing Business:

a. Chevron program: Discussion to continue to buy chevrons, at same cost. Janice provided an estimate for the chevrons from the original company, the more you buy, the cheaper they are. Plan to purchase chevrons, either from members of the association, or from the original printer. Will look into options and move forward after the next meeting.

b. Election timeline for 2024: June 26th will be the meeting after the championship when the election results are announced.

c. 2024 Championships/East Coast Championships - Sue Smyth has submitted a request for Coolest to be the World Championship and Steve Anderson is helping her with the budget. June 21-22. Concern is that parking and camping area is not large. Steve Shaw asked to set a date for budget submission, Steve Anderson will send out a preliminary budget by the end of December 2023. Chris made a motion to award the championship to Coolest for 2024. Greg seconded it. Motion passed. East Coast Championships - will speak to ride managers on East Coast and table for now.

d. Photographer compensation - Last year we agreed on a budget of \$600, split evenly between coasts. Motion to approve policy for \$600 for photography to be split evenly between coasts: Greg. Second: Rhonda. Motion passed.

e. AERC Proposal - Chris has not spoken to Steve yet about the proposal. Once they have, they will speak to the board. It will again be clarified that the proposal came from Steve Shaw and not the Ride and Tie board.

Meeting concluded: 10:10pm/7:10pm.

Next meeting: Wednesday, January 24th 9 pm EST/6 pm PST