

ANPR Board of Directors Conference Call
Tuesday, February 24, 2015
8:30 pm Eastern/7:30 pm Central/6:30 pm Mountain/5:30 pm Pacific

Board Members Attending: Erika Jostad, Lauren Kopplin, Kate Sargeant, Cadence Cook, Scott Warner, Colleen Derber, Katlyn Grubb

Others Attending: Alison Steiner, Ben Walsh

Board Members Not Attending: Wendy Lauritzen, Tom Banks, Ken Bigley, Seth Tinkahm

Meeting called to order at 8:38 pm.

Rendezvous 38 – Ben

- Planning is coming along.
- Lots of donations from breweries.
- Service project– working with Leesa Brandon (volunteer coordinator at BLRI) will have a better idea in next few weeks, outdoor/indoor projects in case of inclement weather.
- Field trips
 - Walking Tour
 - GRSM – Bus Tour, will have ranger on board for whole trip, have gone over expectations.
- Logo –T-shirts, etc available through café press.
- Buttons – got proofs last week.
- YMCA reservations – targeting end of May to open up reservations.
- Call for presentations – only 6 responses so far. We'll extend the deadline.
 - Ben's reached out to BLRI and GRSM and contacted other SE members to share around park.
 - Kat is reaching out to seasonal LE academies.
 - Erika will check with park medics.
- Hoping someone from Director's office will attend, waiting to hear back.
- Haven't heard back from regional office yet, will follow up.
- 5 keynotes
 - Mark Woods – superintendent at BLRI, joint presentation with NPCA
 - Cassius Cash – new superintendent at GRSM – partnerships
 - Dan Pierce – creation of GRSM
 - Derek Ardnt – Climate scientist
 - Tyler Howe – tribal specialist from Cherokee, how tribe works with gateway communities

TASK – GET THE WORD OUT – All.

TASK – Repost call for presentations – Cadence.

Website Update – Erika

Sherry Albrect is working on the website, should be up and running within a few weeks.

Business Office – Alison

- Contact Alison through business manager email address.
- Since Teresa has completely transitioned out of business manager role, any questions should come to Alison.

Ranger Magazine – Erika

- Transition is going well.
- Draft in next couple of days.
- New printer and new mailer out of Davis, CA.
- Theme – Children in national parks.

Membership Update – Kate

10 people have renewed in last week.

Additional Membership Information – Alison

- 742 active members.
- 240 not renewed.
- 1 new life member.
- Membership numbers have been going down.
- Kate and Erika will connect on recruiting ideas.
- Erika asked in Presidents message for everyone to give one gift membership
- Alison – We can change membership to begin throughout the year. There were no concerns or objections.

TASK – Reach out to people regarding WRC, Rendezvous, other activities – All.

World Ranger Congress Update – Erika

- Bob and his team are working on a statement for Director to send out, encouraging participation and formal acknowledgement of WRC.
- He would like updated fundraising request. We don't know how much they'll give us.
- Working on shadow assignments – participants will get involved in these before and after the WRC.
- Started fundraising (having a fund-raising dinner in the Twin Cities in April).

- Total number of delegates = 300. Limited number of delegates from North America, expected to be part of developing resolutions, projects, etc.
- WRCOC asked us how we would select those to attend (WRC registration is opening in May).

WRC Selection Criteria Discussion – Scott

- 38 slots for delegates from North America right now.
- Will early registration favor those in higher grades who can typically plan in advance and register now?
- Criteria in draft – leans heavily towards those who have made contributions to ANPR or IRF, but this doesn't mesh well with what delegates are required to do during the Congress (to participate by contributing knowledge, ranger skills in discussions that will lead to formal resolutions).
- Scott thinks there should be some kind of weighting factors; people from every field should be represented for effective dialog with representatives from other countries.
- One of most important things – We want people who are going to continue to be active.
- Shouldn't bias towards age, should ask for explanation of background, need balance.
- Range of participants in different places in their careers.

TASK – Formulate information above into questions and share with BOD – Scott.

Erika - Ken has reached out to Mike Reynolds regarding getting ANPR info in orientation packets.

Finances – Alison

- \$21,303 in checking account; \$62,000 total (checking and savings).
- \$140 in donations since our last BOD call.
- Dedicating \$3k for new website set up.
- \$6K has been transferred for WRC fundraising.

New Positions

Lauren – back at GLAC, same position.

Kate – permanent position with USPP, at FLETC, will start at NAMA.

Erika – at DENA, will be moving there in May.

Meeting adjourned at 9:27pm EST.