

ANPR Board of Directors Conference Call  
Tuesday, December 5, 2017  
8:30 pm ET/7:30 pm CT/6:30 pm MT/5:30 pm PT/4:30 pm AT  
Call in number: 641-715-3200 Passcode: 873615#

In attendance: Jan, Chris, Tom, Marin, Kate, Nick, Kat, Jamie, Ben

Not in attendance: Cadence, Will, Scott

Note: 11 voting members – quorum is 60% or 7 members

Updates and discussion:

President (Jan):

- Would like for us to get some suicide prevention information on our website. The info the NPS provides can only be accessed on NPS computers and therefore is unavailable to folks during off-hours or shutdowns.

Treasurer (Tom):

- We need to remove Erika and Allison from the Wells Fargo account. A memo will be sent to Marin for signature and then forwarded to Wells Fargo.
- Additional negotiations with the whiskey distillery (see associated emails) – they will put our website on their bottles but will not suggest endorsement of their product.
- We are currently in the red as far as fundraising goes and need to find ways to bring in more dollars!

Secretary (Marin):

- Still working on RR notes.
- Butch Farabee has agreed to help Chris with his life memberships project. Waiting to hear back from Lisa Eckert on this.

Business Manager (Chris):

- Responsible for elections – will go to Balletbin.com to create a new account and get this thing rolling.
- Need bios from the nominees (Elsa Hansen, Ahmad Toure, Kayla Sanders, Jonathan Shafer, Bill Wade)
- Will put out a member survey ASAP to narrow down locations for next couple of RRs.
- Would like to start utilizing First Internet Bank. Unanimous vote for Chris to proceed. Chris will send Marin the appropriate document for signature.
- Our corporate standing in D.C. is once again good.

Professional Issues (Jamie):

- We need to finalize the agreement with Mike Lynch and the CA State Parks Association. Unanimous vote – Jamie, please make this happen!
- Jamie's professional issues email address finally works!
- ANPR is set up on Amazon Smile where purchasers can select ANPR to receive a dividend. We've made about \$35/quarter but we need to let members know about it! Cadence posted it on Facebook. Suggestion made to also mention it in an upcoming newsletter.

- [ANPRphotosandvideos@gmail.com](mailto:ANPRphotosandvideos@gmail.com) is now available for photos and/or video we'd like to post to our website or to YouTube. Should we announce this in the newsletter?

#### Membership Services (Kate):

- Trying to get grounded once again and caught up.
- Kayla Sanders (park police in DC) is interested in running for a board position.

#### Fundraising (Nick):

- Sherry, our graphic designer, and Nick have been working on replicating the RR40 shirts to sell on Cafepress.
- Reminder that the fall fund campaign is underway. With Chris's help, he put up the fund option on our webpage.

#### Education and Training (Kat):

- Eight people have applied for mentoring opportunities as mentees. We need to find some more mentors, especially in the natural resources disciplines.
- Mentoring can be whatever arrangement works for the two parties but in general, between email and phone calls, someone would only have to donate a few hours each month.
- Recently gave a talk at the Santa Rosa Academy regarding mentoring, etc. About 20 people participated. Hoping to go back and do a USAJobs presentation.

#### Special Concerns (Ben):

- A government shutdown is looming and Ben has offered to put together a boilerplate statement since this seems to be a more common occurrence these days. Emphasis on protection of NPS personnel deemed 'essential' who must work during these shutdowns.

#### Seasonal Perspectives (Will emailed in):

- Still working on emails about changing seasonal policies and basic information such as operating USAJobs and applying to seasonal positions.
- The seasonal application packet mentioned in September has taken a backburner until work and life eases up a little!

#### Discussion topic: Increase in entrance fees for several parks

Tom feels very strongly against the proposed fee increase; Jan is taking a more moderate approach. Ben and Marin favor Jan's draft version of our response.

Nick asked if the membership had been surveyed for their opinion – they have not been.

Kat noted that if the board members can't agree on our stance, how will we effectively represent our membership? She wondered if we could put it to the membership but Jan noted that we can't survey membership on every issue – they elected us to represent them.

Tom offered to keep on working on the draft statement – it is due in PEPC by 12/22/17.

Discussion topic: \$750 lifetime membership due to sunset 12/31/17

Do we want to extend its availability to members? Approximately 75% of the membership is life members.

Chris reported that during the time we offered the \$750 cost, we added 8-12 new lifetime memberships.

The board voted 5-2 in favor of continuing this rate through 12/31/18.

Next call is Tuesday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>. Happy holidays!