

WHITE MOUNTAIN OPEN TRAILS ASSOCIATION, INC.  
September Board of Directors Meeting Minutes  
Date: 14 September 2017

Call to Order and Welcome:

Meeting was called to order at 3:30 pm by President Dyer.

Present were President Jack Dyer, Vice President John Taylor, Treasurer Karen Smith, and Ride Coordinator Roger Held. Absent were Dawn Brady, Judy Koski and Wendy Call.

September Camp & Ride

- 56 mile ride Sept. 29<sup>th</sup> will be led by Drozdowicz who will brief it at the members meeting.

Revision of Bylaws –

Jack said in April he had asked John Taylor to review the WMOTA Bylaws, to see what changes might be needed to make them conform to current practices, and to see if there was a way to make it easier to get people to run for office and serve on the Board. John then recruited Nancy Drozdowicz to assist him in this. Both have extensive strategic planning experience in government and industry.

They presented their proposals to Jack recently after he returned from Europe, and these were posted a week ago to the members-only section of the website. Jack then sent out an email to all members then asking them to review the proposals and to come to tonight's meetings prepared to vote. Three members proposed changes. But because the new Bylaws make significant changes in the Board structure, and we are fast approaching a Board election, there wasn't time to review and incorporate these changes. Those will be handled over the next month and presented for another vote in October. If any Board members have new comments or changes they would like made at this time, he encouraged them to speak up so those can be added to the clean-up review.

Karen Smith asked if the change she already negotiated would be included in the clean-up measure and she was told it would.

Jack then said he assumed all Board members had reviewed the new Bylaws and had come prepared to vote. He got an affirmative response from all. He then said he'd talked with the three absent Board members and had subsequently received emailed votes from Dawn Brady, Judy Koski and Wendy Call (the current Bylaws allow Board members to vote by phone or "other electronic means," which includes email). He said all three had voted yes, by email electronically, in favor of the new Bylaws. It was then motioned and seconded that the proposed Bylaws be accepted by the Board of Directors present and then proposed to the membership for their approval. Jack asked those in favor of the motion to so indicate. John Taylor, Karen Smith, Roger Held and Jack Dyer all raised their hands, making the vote unanimous.

Other Business:

Jack said he planned to thank Steve and Lila Dudley for doing a super job leading the August ride in the Forest Lakes area. And would describe the nominating process for new members of the Executive Committee if the membership passed the new bylaws.

It was then moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The vote to adjourn was unanimous. The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 pm.

John Taylor  
Vice President