

**NATIONAL PONY EXPRESS ASSOCIATION, INC.
NEVADA DIVISION**

Minutes of the Pony Express Board meeting, June 9, 2009

The meeting was brought to order at 7:07 PM.

A quorum was present with: Steve Notterman, Gary Nezos, David Kittle, Dawn Nenzel, Jill Andrews and Mary Kuckenmeister.

Secretary read the minutes from the previous Board Meeting.

Motion to accept the minutes were made by Gary Nezos; seconded by Mary Kuckenmeister; motion carried.

Special guest: None

Old Business:

Mike Kuckenmeister gave a report on the progress of getting a coin minted in Carson City for the 2010 Celebration. He also bought everyone up to date on the Kingsbury Grade project.

The new liability release for the Robert's Creek Ranch is ready for anyone riding in that section.

Joe Kelso described a machine that could be used to cut trails where needed, like up in the central and western trail section.

New Business:

Jill reported that she has moved to her new house.

Mary Kuckenmeister received a letter from Jim Hillman and he is working with the Douglas County Library. The Library would like to present the Pony Express for a week in April or May of next year. They would like to display a Mochila for the entire week. Mary Kuckenmeister made a motion that we work with the Douglas County Library in celebrating the anniversary of the Pony Express in 2010; seconded by David Kittle; motion carried.

Mary Kuckenmeister said that she needs riders for the rendezvous.

David Kittle asked if anyone knows of any riders that made the ride in 1960. David said that the Trail Center is open now and that the Program Director said that we could use the center any time that we might like.

Joe Kelso gave a briefing on the pingers. There are new pings coming but not sure if they will make it in time for the re-ride. Joe also passed on that there are folks filming the Pony Express along the trail during the re-ride.

Gary Nezos gave us an overview of his trip to Ely and his visit with the Shellbourne Re-riders. In their April meeting they had an action item which was,

“It was moved by Steve Poole and seconded Gene Ockert that the Shellbourne Re-riders decline to elect a replacement for the second vice president on the Nevada State Board of Directors at this time. By this action we affirm that we will continue to recognize our Ride Captain as our point of contact for any exchange of information between the Board of Directors and Shellbourne Re-riders. We reserve the right to elect a Shellbourne board member in the future if our members decide to do so. And the decision was the Shellbourne Re-riders are a group of like minded group of individuals whose interest is in carrying the mail during the re-ride across the Eastern portion of the Nevada trail. Board (members) Meetings are exclusively planned and held over 300 miles from our base of attendance and presents a hardship for most of us. Our Ride Captain has always been a reliable source of information for our group. We feel this practice meets our needs with sufficient and most expedient plan for us as a group. Considering the geographic and social differences defining our territory and membership.” The motion was carried.

Gary Nezos made a motion that we honor the motion made by the Shellbourne Re-riders; seconded by Mary Kuckenmeister; motion carried.

Mary Kuckenmeister suggested that this be reflected in our bylaws.

Gary also stated that he had taken out the pins, patches and Bibles to them. He also took out a check for \$750 for trail maintenance, gas, and spare tires. There was also a check for \$250 for the Relay Race registration.

Steve Notterman said that he had heard from Lisa Wolf and that they have a spot at Garden Pass to place their kiosk.

Steve Notterman said that Les Bennington called him and told him that there would be no bicycle race or a motorcycle race involving the Pony Express.

The next Board Meeting will be held on August 11, 2009 at Grandma Hattie's in Carson City at 7:00 PM.

Adjourned at 8:40 PM