

EAGLECREST BOARD OF DIRECTIONS
Meeting Minutes
Thursday August 1st, 2019 5:30pm
Porcupine Lodge Eaglecrest

Agenda:

1. ROLL CALL Board members Bruce Garrison, Dave Hanna, Jon Dale, Mike Satre, Megan Gregory Shawn Eisele and Manager Dave Scanlan were present. Stephanie Hoag had an excused absence.
2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
Dave Hanna and Jon Dale motioned to approve the agenda.
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Dave Hanna motioned to approve the July minutes with a correction to the paragraph 12. Shawn corrected the spelling of his name. Jon amended item 13 with the meeting location at the mountain. Mike Satre provided a second to the motion to approve.
4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
None
5. COMMITTEE & LIAISON REPORTS
None
6. MANAGERS REPORT
See managers' report. Significant updates were:
 - The porcupine gear box will be a full rebuild. The box is 50 years old and worn down. Estimated cost to repair is \$50k. It is estimated to return to the mountain mid-November.
 - The Ptarmigan haul rope project splice and inspection will cost \$14k.
 - The Hooter tower base and the exterior stair projects are still being developed.
 - Dave provided the board with an update to the CIP funding projects.
 - Shawn inquired about the big projects from last summer and how they related to maintenance issues from last year.
 - Bruce inquired about the cost and the scope of work to be completed on the lodge deck.
 - Dave Hanna inquired about the status of the upper Ptarmigan lift shack.
 - All is going well with the RFID gate and software upgrades.
 - Dave Hanna asked if the new bar will sell hats and t-shirts.
 - Shawn asked about the possibility of marketing to pursue public notification about the mountain capabilities during low snow conditions.

-Mike Satre asked about the availability of reports and statistics from the new software system. He is looking forward to consistency in financial reports. Product consolidation will help in data display.

-Bruce asked about providing the public with information about ticketing and pricing.

-The manager and board discussed the results of public meetings. Overall, the consensus has been "cautiously supportive". Also discussed was what public/private partnerships might look like and the pros and cons of different financing options. Jon expressed concern that the mountain has shown how it needs improvement to its lifts and what the plan will be if the summer plans don't happen. Dave Hanna added to be cautious when discussing the gondola as a replacement for Ptarmigan, there are too many unknowns at this point. Jon asked about weather monitoring for this winter to learn more about the weather on the ridge and compare it to the current Ptarmigan ramp. Dave Scanlan will schedule a planning meeting as soon as all the RFI information is received. Dave is eager to continue to pursue information any interested party for consideration.

-Meg asked about the process for the new logo and how staff had engaged with the board for the changes.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. Dependent Passes and Trade Policy

Waiting for input from legal, hoping to have more information by the next meeting.

b. Election of Officers

Dave Hanna made a motion to have Bruce remain as president, to nominate Mike Satre for vice president and have Stephanie remain as secretary. Jon provided a second. The motion passed.

c. Committee assignments were discussed. Committees will be staffed as follows:

Finance-Chair-Jon Dale, Mike Satre

HR-Chair-Stephanie Hoag, Shawn Eisele

Planning and Policy-Chair-Dave Hanna, Shawn Eisele

Nordic Advisory-Chair- Stephanie Hoag, Jon Dale

Trail Advisory-Chair-Meg Gregory, Jon Dale

Eaglecrest Foundation-Chair-Dave Hanna, Meg Gregory

d. Smoking policy on lifts

There is a no smoking in lift lines policy. A discussion was held about cigarette, marijuana and vaping use on the mountain and the need for policy and clarification. Mike Satre asked to check for city legal to provide the board with guidance on how to input smoking policy to include making the entire mountain smoke free. Dave Hanna made a motion for no smoking or vaping in lift lines, chair, decks, lodges and facilities; Mike Satre provided a second. There is no use

of marijuana in public areas. Dave Scanlan will check with legal for policy implementation.

e. Jon inquired about a final decision on the direction the cabin will face. It was determined that the cabin will be laid out as originally planned.

f. Bruce asked about the Magic Carpet lift. This project has been put on hold.

8. NEW BUSINESS

None

9. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

It was requested that the board does not use the word “subsidy” when discussing funding. The mountain is funded by the city.

10. BOARD OF DIRECTOR’S COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Meg- Looking forward to all our upcoming meetings and appreciates all the work of the staff.

Shawn- Very impressed by how much is going on at the mountain and with the board.

Mike Satre- Will be absent from the next meeting and be calling in. He is cautious of being too immersed in summer ops when the mountain has a big list of things needed completing before the start of the ski season. It is important to take care of business to support the mountain now.

Dave H- Appreciates everyone’s efforts and looks forward to hearing what information we receive when the RFI closes.

Jon-With a new board and new committees in place it’s a great time to look at planning and budget for those committees to set goals. There are great opportunities for the committees to support the mountain.

Bruce- Appreciated all comments and brought up reviewing the master plan at the December retreat.

11. ADJOURNMENT – Next meeting date September 5th 2019 at 5:30 in room 224 city hall