

WMBC Board Meeting Date: April 3rd, 2018

Present

Board/Staff: Barbara, Val, Jeff, Kayla, Kevin

Board/Staff not present: Char, Eric, Bill

Guests: Angela, Erin Baker, Cat

Agenda Item	Notes	Action Item
<p>Director of Education Report</p>	<p><b>YTC:</b>                      Youth Trail Corps is doing great! Sounds like a solid crew of Trail Build Leaders and the rock berm feature is under way.                      Ordered hoodies for volunteer trail builders ..they are awesome..both the trail builders and the hoodies.</p> <p><b>100 ACRE WOODS:</b> update: Still moving forward. Am working on catalyzing a meeting between all the players in this game so we can get this ball rolling. CCFPD is hoping to get the Whatcom Land Trust to take over the conservation easement now that the lawsuit is finally settled. They will be actively working on this asap. This could make our bike park plan trickier. I plan on speaking with the city about a concrete alternative location for bike park, closer to Fairhaven park facilities. Looking to talk to Leslie when she gets back into town. Eric could help with this. More rogue trail building in 100 acre woods,. CCFPD is wanting to crack down on that again.</p> <p><b>OPTIONS HIGH SCHOOL:</b> Joe Wooding and I are working on getting a spring ride class happening to cultivate the fall program (fall program dependant on grant).</p> <p><b>AFTER SCHOOL RIDES:</b>                      Ride Leader Chili Dinner March 12: 13 people came, 3 board members, including me. Goodnight. Shared experience for the new ride leaders. New and old ride leaders get a lot out of hearing stories of what works with kids and what doesn't.                      Flying Squirrels girls after school ride group are putting their program out on media strongly this spring..it will be interesting to see how many they get by putting out the word.                      Couple schools are asking what else is out there for their kids who didn't get in the School Ride due to class being full....</p>	<p>Look into purchasing banners and choosing sponsors on them.</p> <p>Kevin &amp; Char to discuss website information.</p>

Was considering taking the \$500 that Shaums had agreed to donate to WMBC and see if he would be interested in using those funds to give equivalent to that amount in scholarships to kids in community.

RRAD hosting all after school kids on trail day early release  
thursday/May 31

**RODEOS:** Spring Rodeos have started..Chris is operating mostly on Wednesday and Friday throughout the spring. We are funding all 15 Bellingham Schools (that includes the (BFPP- Bellingham Family Partnership Program, the homeschool at Larabee) 3 in Ferndale. And 2 others: Everson and Kendall. Total of 20 Rodeos

**SERVICE LEARNING:** Fairhaven Middle School Spring 6 week Service Learning is completed. No other scheduled service learning days that I know of.

**TKMBD:** IMBA has re-adopted it. WMBC committed to one yearly in the fall, October 6. Do we want to adopt this day as well?

Chris is talking about getting other public rodeos going on his own at Padden.

**Next TKMBD::** he will run his area, and we (WMBC/Javon) can run the registration, trail ride and logistics like we did last year. Need to refine our trail rides. Limit to one hour max. No more rides on back trails.

**BANNERS** etc: need to get some made with our grants/sponsors to add to tents or tables. Also, Would be good to get the backdrop banners like Whatcom Land Trust has.. We need to look better when we table events. Shazzam is one who can do this. Go ahead?

**BIKE THEFT PREVENTION :** next meeting April 11 1-2 pm in federal building /Cornwall and Magnolia.

Not sure I will be back in town, so Bill? Working on April= bike awareness month, group working on a catchy way to remind people to use u locks on bikes, (even though it sounds like they are actually pretty easy to dismantle by loosening a few pins..) They would like our help tabling for this promotion at cedar dust alley event, shoot the trails and a few random tabling events at Samish parking lot.

**CEDAR DUST ALLEY :** April 22 WMBC tables..

**WMBC WEBSITE/Social Media:** publish an Education Letter on website. Sent it to get posted. Need to recognize our grants better! Create a page on website for that.

	<p><b>Superfeet Giving Day:</b> Employees given choice of where their \$500 go: non profits and we received \$4,900. We were one of the top earners from this event. (The other one was the Brigadoon Service Dogs.. next event like this we could bring several dogs, too, and double up on the donations. Dogs seem to generate lots of charitable emotions.)</p> <p>Whatcom Community Foundation Grant Report completed.</p> <p><b>Waivers:</b> updated waiver including all current landholders. Thank you Mark Lee</p>	
<p>Trail Director Report</p>	<p><b>June 2<sup>nd</sup> – National Trails Day</b>  We'll split our efforts and have Bill leading a crew on Blanchard and I'll be leading our first trail day on Lookout. It's going to be a super fun summer on Lookout...the zone we're building over there is going to blow minds.</p> <p><b>CDC Enduro – 4/21:</b>  Will be putting a call out for volunteers this week. Course routing will be announced later today. I expect some cheers and grumbling as Hush Hush is back in the mix for Experts and Pro's.</p> <p><b>Cordata Pump Track:</b>  I worked with JP Slagle last week on design/layout and we created a Specification document to the landscape architects who are designing Cordata Park. The goal for that is the COB can send it out for an RFP to contractors.</p> <p><b>Seasonal Trail Builder Discussion:</b>  Char and I are presenting our Sponsorship proposal to Phillips 66 next week. I've got \$17,000 dollars in that proposal allocated for this position.</p> <p><b>Cedar Dust Area:</b>  Spencer Baldwin, Ricardo Jon Hereen and Devon got all of the corridors cleared for the jump lines. Spencer has got the Expert and Advanced lines mostly done and is going to work on cleaning up the sides for the tree planters. The tree planters are going to be over in this zone next week, so getting the corridors in and the sides has been the priority. I am working with Becky on some new signage for this area and the Expert jump line.</p> <p><b>SST Zone:</b></p>	

The Alt SST zone had a bit more machine work by Ricardo this week. He fixed a borrow pit/wheel sucking hole that we had flagged off and gave Drew a bunch more dirt for his section. They are back up there today as well. The new line below the 1200 road is connected and will get a lot more work this spring to add features. Todd has been working on finishing the Geneva connector. I walked it last week and it's looking really good, but there's one intersection (with Coyote RIPP and Air chair) that I need to change with the machine when I get back next week. Air Chair is cleared but hasn't had any dirt work done by Drew yet.

**Recent build days:**

- A-Dog - Transition had a great day (even in the snow!) and got a ton of dirt moved and A-Dog should be running good for a while. We will need to run a weedeater down it in the summer, but otherwise it should be good to go.
- Devilcross - Kona - Matty and crew connected the top of DC up to Keystone – which gives folks an actual route to get to Devilcross now.
- Ridge – Jack's – Csaba and Javon led a crew on the Ridge and they primarily worked on the new singletrack climbing section.
- Happy Hour extension – Jaapy has been working on this and making good progress. It's going to be super fun and will eventually hook into the Devilcross connector.
- Dad Bod – this is the Jesse G / Chris Luna's line that parallels the 4000 road and will hook into a new 4000 road to Devilcross connector that I've flagged. The upper section – which is fairly short – is running well already.
- Ewok village – BP did a short day with 7 folks to get some drains cleared and did a bit of work on Ewok Village.
- Rank Advancement – Shaums and crew are working on this tomorrow during part of their spring break camp.
- FF Center – WECU had a crew of 7 folks do drainage work on FF Center last Saturday.

**Upcoming build days and projects:**

- Cedar Dust Trail day – this Saturday being led by Javon
- Mullet trail days – April 21<sup>st</sup> and May 5<sup>th</sup> being led by Bill Hawk
- Cougar Ridge area – I've spent the past month on this with Reid Parker, Arlen Bogaards, Michael Perelskin. We'll have 3 trail projects in this area this summer. Some of it will be

accomplished with WTA, County Parks and other groups. Anything on Cougar Ridge proper will be entirely WMBC focused.

- 4000 Road climbing trail – this is flagged from the bottom of Cougar Ridge and goes more than half way up the mountain where it will initially tie back into the 4000 road (after the heinous steep section). I’m presenting it to the City as it starts on their property. I’ve already walked it with Michael Perelskin, but will need to get Clare to sign off on it. We’ll start clearing corridor and building top down to buy us some time with the City and it will only require one small bridge.

**DNR – Baker to Bellingham:**

Our next meeting on this is next Tuesday. It will be interesting to hear what direction we take with this now that that the motorized component is not looking good.

**Bears Logging:**

The loggers were done cutting and still hauling trees out when I left on Friday. I’ll get an update on this asap.

April 25th – I am heading to Victoria with Rob and Mike Janicki to present at a logging conference. I am presenting with Rob about recreation / trails in a working forest environment. This trip is being paid for by Rob and Mike.

Spring time PSA – We’ll be doing another PSA about being courteous to the neighbors. I’ve gotten some reports of folks being downright rude on Galbraith Lane to the neighbors as they are driving down the road.

**Parking Lot:**

We should have survey data for the area around the Samish Parking lot and JP will be creating a site plan before we have a meeting with City Parks staff.

There are two upcoming video projects and I may have them reaching out to you all.

- Evo – Evo is doing a some videos about advocacy organization and they will focus on Evergreen and WMBC in

	<p>WA state. These will come out in August timeframe and will include a grant that will be voted on by the masses.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· Portside productions is going to be doing a video about the relationship between the WMBC and Janicki logging. Its' going to be more documentary style and they will want to interview some of you for this. I think the timing for this is particularly good since we will be (fingers crossed) entering into the easement agreement.</li> </ul>	
<p>Public Comment</p>	<p>Erin, of Erin's Bakery, spoke about 'giving back' opportunities after meeting with Kevin at recent function. Exploring the possibility of becoming a sponsor for events to contribute for kids through WMBC and connecting with other business people as well for the needs of the community and getting food to children that need better &amp; healthier nutrition.</p>	<p>National Trail Day nad school rides events.</p> <p>erinsbakers</p>