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Minutes of the Meeting of the Southern Off-Road Bicycle Association
November 10, 2012

Meeting of the Board of Directors was held November 10, 2012 at the Elachee Science Nature Center in Gainesville, Georgia. The meeting commenced at approximately 8:30 a.m.

Participating Chapters:

All chapters were in attendance, with the exception of the Chattahoochee Valley SORBA, Northeast Alabama Bicycle Association, SORBA Huntsville and Triangle Off-Road Cyclists. See attached document for the member sign-in sheet.

Welcome:

IMBA-SORBA Executive Director Tom Sauret welcomed all chapters and guests.

Approval of Minutes:

IMBA-SORBA President Darryl Glascock, presented the minutes from the March 2012 Board of Directors meeting for approval. Brian Hann made a motion to approve the minutes, second by Jay Wilkes, and unanimously approved.

Staff Report

IMBA-SORBA Executive Director Tom Sauret announced March 22 and 23, 2013 as the Spring IMBA-SORBA Board Of Directors meeting. The meeting will be in Woodstock Georgia. Tom gave a summary of chapter activities since March 2012. Tom explained the financial burden on IMBA SORBA with SORBA retaining its own 501(c)3 status. A motion was made by Brian Hann to allow Tom to draft a proposal and resolution for dissolving SORBA 501(c)3 status. Joey Brown second the motion and the motion was unanimously approved.

IMBA Board of Directors Chairman Bob Winston stated that SORBA represents 12% of the total IMBA membership. SORBA is the gold standard for IMBA's chapter program and the IMBA Board of Directors is dedicated to support SORBA efforts.

IMBA Executive Director Mike Van Abel discussed the successful organization of SORBA as being the reason SORBA is able to achieve their accomplishments. Mike explained IMBA's role as sometime invisible, but utterly important to the chapter programs success. He spoke about two new programs, mapping initiative and mountain

bike instructor certification, and discussed the need of long term membership in relationship to building new trails. Mike explained IMBA does not want to take over SORBA, but how the IMBA SORBA integration can help mountain bike advocacy.

Financial Updates:

IMBA SORBA Operations Manager Kathy Wood stated all SORBA chapters have obtained their own checking accounts. Kathy reminded all chapters that they have the responsibility of completing and submitting their own 990 tax paperwork. Failure to file the 990 tax paperwork will result in the IRS revoking the chapter non-profit 501(c)3 status. As of January 2013, SORBA chapters will no longer be required to submit monthly treasurer reports to SORBA. Chapter treasurer reports will go to IMBA, once IMBA decides the reporting frequency.

Guest Speakers

Deb Caffin and Michelle Mitchell with the US Forest Service (USFS) talked about defining the term “excellent trails” in the context as used in the regional MOU between SORBA and the USFS Southeastern Region. They requested input from SORBA, in the form of questions, on how to define excellent trails. Discussion on defining excellent trails will continue at the March 2013 SORBA Board of Directors meeting.

Mallie Hart presented a leadership development on social media.

Executive Board Nominations and Elections for 2013

Annabeth Rice made a motion and Jose Sanchez second to elect Paul Farrow as President. The vote was unanimously approved.

Jon Taylor made a motion and Josh Frankenberry second to elect Dan Zaffuto as Vice President. The vote was unanimously approved.

Brad Wender made a motion and Sae Smyrl second to elect Jay Franklyn as Secretary. The vote was unanimously approved.

Chris Strout made a motion and Jon Taylor second to elect Angela Allen as Treasurer. The vote was unanimously approved.

Closing:

There being no further business, a motion was made by Steve Masone to adjourn the meeting at approximately 2:45 p.m. The motion was second by Brad Wender, and approved unanimously.

Darryl Glascock, President

Paul Farrow, Vice President
and Acting-Secretary