

Minutes of the Meeting of The Southern Off-Road Bicycle Association March 13, 2004

A meeting of the Board of Directors was held on March 13, 2004 in the banquet room of Sticky Fingers restaurant in Charleston, South Carolina at 1:00 PM. The following members were present:

Scott Gordon, President, Belinda Sauret Treasurer, Keith Owen, Scott Bays, Tim Carlfeldt, James Smith, Bob Grieco, Robert McBride, Paul Farrow, Kevin Nelson (Proxy for John Hicks),

Absent were Sam Ponyer, Cal Til, Lester Ramey, Eric Jaskiewicz, and Patrick Phelps

Also present were Tom Sauret, Executive Director, Jim Tomsic

President Scott Gordon called the meeting to order, and asked for approval of the December 6th minutes. The minutes were approved. Scott then asked Tom Sauret to serve as acting secretary meeting.

President Gordon gave a brief provided a brief history of SORBA and presented a new organizational flow chart. He emphasized the role of the Presidents and the grassroots structure of the organization.. He described the various activities of the staff directors and the advisory committee.

President Gordon then asked the Presidents what the staff could do to help them attain their 2004 goals. Each president responded in turn. The presidents asked for assistance in trail building and SORBA-wide work days, grant writing, attracting new members, bike patrol training, Trips for Kids programs, fund raising, equipment acquisition, and running events. The presidents also were concerned with volunteer burn-out.

Tom Sauret said that he and the staff would work on putting together work sessions to address some of these issue for August meeting.

The SORBA staff directors joined the meeting at this point. Keith McFadden, Robin Allen, Walt Bready, Craig Hall, Sherri Hall, and Mike Riter. Chris Gilligan was absent.

James Smith gave a report the Chicopee Woods AG Center Trail and explained why it may close and what SORBA will do to counter act the negative publicity.

Bob Grieco mentioned that a new Forsyth County Chapter may be forming. He also agreed to spearhead SORBA's volunteer efforts with the Tour de Georgia.

Tom Sauret reported that he and Belinda Sauret met with members of a potential new chapter in Hayesville North Carolina. He also stated that he work on helping the Athens and North East Georgia reform their organizations.

Keith McFadden reported on the Mountaintown Creek controversy.

Craig Hall presented the new membership application and recognized that the new color flyer was made possible in part by a grant for the North Georgia Bicycle Dealer's Association. He then passed out three possible jersey designs. The designs will be displayed on the website and direct member vote will deide the final design.

At 4:30, there being no further business, President Gordon moved that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Keith Owen.

Scott Gordon, President

Tom Sauret, Acting Secretary

There being no further business, Reuben Black declared the meeting adjourned at

Approved:

Reuben Black, Chairman

Thomas Sauret, Secretary