SUMMARY of MORCA BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, June 2, 2026 at 6 PM, Springhill Suites Conference Room, Marina
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YOUR 2026 DIRECTORS are: Lisa Birch (Pres), Peter Berridge (V.P.), Henrietta Stern (Secretary), Kevin Kutcher (Treasurer); Mike McGirr, Ken Chrisman, and Tracy Moyle (Members-at-Large).

Secretary Notes: These minutes focus on action taken by the board, and a brief summary of discussions and tasks. A Zoom recording of the meeting is available upon request.

President Lisa Birch opened the meeting at 6:06 PM. All directors were present except Peter, with Tracy attending remotely. Members Darius Rike and John Beardshear also attended in person. Board action and follow-up is in yellow highlight.

NEXT MEETING— Tuesday, July 7 at 6 PM at Springhill Suites Conference Room. Request a Zoom invitation by emailing meetings@morcamtb.org 24 hours ahead

6/2/2026 Business Agenda (There may be renumbering by HS for clarity)**:**

1. **Secretary Report—(a) Adopt Minutes of Previous Meeting—** Minutes for the May 5, 2026 meeting were adopted unanimously [Mike motion, Kevin second].

2. **Treasurer's Report**— (a) Kevin had previously submitted **financial status at US Bank as of May 31, 2026**. The checking balance was $50,847 with another $26,551 in CD#1 (to be rolled into CD#3) and $10,119 in CD#2. April 2026 income was $2,006, including $1,375 from Sea Otter volunteering, and the rest various donations. Expenses totaled $954, including $463 for PortaPotty maintenance, $213 for trail worker lunches, and several other miscellaneous expenses. (b) **PayPal donations** received in April 2026 totaled $25 (less PayPal fees). *Henri to send thank you notes.* (c) The board unanimously **accepted the Treasurer's Report** [Henri motion, Mike second]. (d) Kevin provided **tax related info** for our CPA, who filed an extension request. (e) Kevin updated us on his efforts to get **board member email accounts** via Google Workspace and will send separate emails with instructions. (f) We discussed how to best budget for and track expenses associated with **standard and social media.**

3. **Priority Goals for 2026**— In January, the board identified six priority goals in order as follows:
   - **(1)** ***Recruit and Retain Members and Volunteers****: Identify target audiences, tactics, communications.* **Action:** Peter was only able to do a few posts due to family priorities. Several MORCANs attended the May 23 BLM Memorial Day event at Comanche's Grave, and had a booth. MORCA trailworkers were recognized for their role in restoring the grave area. May was Bike Month with an event at Other Brother and AMG. May was also IMBA's spring membership drive.
   - ***(2)*** ***Board Professional Development****: training, better organization and use of time, more efficient meetings and reformatted agenda; consider larger board.* **Action:** Ken continues to refine Board position responsibilities and solicits text on 5 key areas for volunteers. Darius noted Gemini AI suggested an apprentice program and can be a helpful tool to create first drafts. Gemini.google.com or ChatGPT are two sources.
   - **(3)** ***Keystone Projects and Partners****: Identify major projects; identify and nurture potential partners to support approval and/or funding for keystone project.* **Action:** Peter was absent but had sent emails with updates on the **Laguna Seca Bike Park** proposal. Sadly,

we did not get the IMBA Trail Accelerator Grant, so a key question is how to fund formal site assessment and plan. The Bike Park Committee needs to meet and assess next steps. Notably, SOC Foundation has given $10,000 toward Bike Park planning but FOLS has not come through with promised funds. Mike noted County has funding for **permanent toilet at 8th&Gigling** but has not acted on it to date. Similarly, not much action on expanded **Happy Trails signage**. Mike to contact County again about our grant spending deadlines. We need to inventory our Carsonite posts and assess what needs to be purchased.

(4) ***Fundraising****: identify potential funding sources and tactics to obtain funds.* **Action:** May was Bike Month and IMBA membership drive. We learned we did not get several grants. Ken previously suggested we need a spreadsheet to track grants and status, and need a committee to come up with specific projects and grant options. We discussed several ideas for the Monterey Gives Campaign; we should select one by June 30. Tracy volunteered to attend the June 24 TAMC meeting about "Active transportation" and incorporate recreation into transportation (Bentonville as example).

(5) ***Strategic Partner Relationships****: identify broad range of possible partners in government, business, non-profits, etc (relates to other goals).* **Action:** A variety of partners are listed. Tracy is lead for a potential **CSUMB Service Learning** Intern.

(6) ***Host MORCA Events****: Existing and potential new events are identified.* **Action:** We described recent **social rides,** and **trail work** (see Trailwork Report and website for total hours = 505 to date). Peter and Ken described plans, venues and tasks for the **CAMTB Singletrack Summit** 6/12-14. Henri contacted Ranger Tammy about Public Lands Day (no response yet). Tracy will assess our first aid kits prior to **TAKMBD.**

4. **Presidents Report**-- Lisa reported as of 5/31/2026 there were 221 active IMBA members including new members, renewals and lapses, a net decrease of 6 since last month. Mike will contact several folks he knows who have lapsed.

5. **"Parking Lot" Items** (deferred action) – On hold/lower priority items include:
   MPC owned lands (Darius)
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   Toro Park update (Darius)
   Los Padres National Forest (Peter) – federal office has been closed; questionable
   Arctos Packs (Henri)
   Revise Bylaws to have more than 7 directors (All)
   Update Bike Rodeo equipment/larger storage unit

6. **New Business** – (A) Ken updated us on progress of non-profit to build a **pump track in Carmel Valley**, and we discussed how to formally engage as a partner (formal MOA or contract). Ken and Mike will lead a MORCA committee to assist in this effort. (B) Henri noted request by **Big Sur Land Trust** to discuss concerns about Marks Ranch riders trespassing on their property and future Ferrini Ranch. Darius and Peter willing to meet BSLT folks and noted the need for an outbound trail, and an integrated Toro Park Plan plus a County-wide trails plan. Henri trying to organize this meeting.

7. **Calendar Summary** -- Upcoming events include:
   6/6—First Saturday Ride, 9 AM

6/20—Trail Day, 9 AM
7/4—First Saturday Ride (possible postponement due to Holiday)
7/7-- Regular Board Meeting, 6 PM

We adjourned at 8:05 PM

Prepared by Henrietta Stern, Secretary, on 7/3/2026 at 12:30 PM

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