

SUMMARY OF MORCA BOARD MEETING – Monday, December 3, 2018; opened at 6:05 PM
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2018 Officers/Directors: Gary Courtright (P), Brian Tomasini (VP), Henrietta Stern (S), Nick Madronio (T), Mike McGirr (MAL) and Matthew Lamont (MAL).

Next Regular Board Meeting: Monday, January 7, 2019 at 6 PM, at Turn 12 Restaurant, Monterey.

Your 2019 directors are: Brian Tomasini, Henrietta Stern, Nick Madronio, Mike McGirr, Matthew Lamont, Cassady Elischer (new!) and Darrin Noel (new!) -- officers TBD

12/3/2018 Agenda Items: All directors present except Nick; plus Darius, Lisa, Darrin, Ken H. and Tony Z.

- 1. Adopt 2019 Budget—** The board unanimously adopted the 2019 budget prepared by Nick (Henri made motion with Mike second). Roughly \$11,500 of income and \$9,600 in expenses are anticipated at this time.
- 2. August 13, 2019 Twilight Ride Hosting--** The board unanimously determined to host; this is during the Motorsports Reunion which offers challenges and opportunities. Perhaps the theme can be vintage bikes and/or dress. (Matthew made motion with Brian second).
- 3. Treasurer's Report—**Nick provided info to Mike, who reported we have \$30,473 in combined assets. In the past month, we received \$636 in IMBA dues. Expenses totaled \$644, mainly for trail day food and supplies, night ride fees and remaining TAKMBD expenses. There is roughly \$6,900 in the grant account that must be spent by December 31. Hopefully the County will approve the kiosks and map printing.
- 4. Extreme Terrain Grant Award!** Mike the grant-getter does it again with \$500 obtained toward trail work equipment and food.
- 5. Trail Day-** Darius reported we have over 841 hours to date with a big student group planned for December 15 (T50 south side) and another ad hoc group on December 27. Sign up to work at: <http://morcambt.org/trails/trail-work/>. Darius described ideas about 2019 projects such as a small bridge at bottom of Couch Canyon if engineering assistance can be found. It was suggested to reach out to the West Coast Mountain Bikers or other groups that frequently visit to create an event to help with trail work.
- 6. County Parks News—Toro, Palo Corona, Other—** Mike McGirr and Darius Rike reported on the Toro Park trail committee. A map of trails was created with potential projects. Darius noted a specific list of projects is needed, and suggested we take the lead on a demonstration project to correct a problem so all can see the benefit of well-designed trail work. Darius plans to lead hikes at Toro and interact with folks to gain various perspectives. There was no news re Palo Corona; Darius commented on the State Parks draft plans for its property near Point Lobos, which does not include mountain bike access to the Palo Corona backcountry.
- 7. Eastside Parkway EIR (aka "Northeast-Southwest Arterial Connector" project)--** No news at present. See info at: connector@fora.org.
- 8. Trail Loop Committee/County Signage--** The County changed course again and agreed to allow funding for kiosks, which we will purchase materials before December 31.
- 9. Schipper Design Grant—** Mike secured a grant to help with a new logo and branding. Mike to provide files of our new logo to Lisa nad Darius to start using on website, Facebook and other outreach. This will be used for all letterhead, t-shirts, printing etc.
- 10. 2019 Sea Otter Classic —** Unlike all previous years, we learned that there will be no IMBA booth! And even Cliffbar is questionable. Thus our location and role is uncertain. Suggestions include coordinate with Specialized as they provided the raffle bike; think of ideas to engage public, grow our "brand" etc. Or perhaps simplify and just focus on comradere and the good things we do for the trails. This should be special meeting. Note we have 125 members down from 200.

- 11. New board!** New directors are Cassady Elischer and Darrin Noel. In January, we must select a president and other officers.
- 12. Other Business**—We briefly addressed concerns about **e-bikes** harming single track trails, a rogue motorcyclist, and suggested additional signage by BLM at trailheads to make their policy clear. The new board also needs to determine how to interact with MBOSC and others regarding **policy on use of Kids Zone structures**.
- 13. Calendar Review 2019 – see below**
 - Jan 13—Girls Rock at Creekside, co-hosted by MORCA
 - Feb 2—Army bus tour
 - April 11-14—Sea Otter Classic
 - May 4—Army walking tour/bus tour
 - May 4—MBOSC Old Cabin Classic

Also on the radar—

- 1. Army cutting and burning**—see www.fortordcleanup.com
- 2. Monterey Peninsula Regional Parks District (MPRPD)**— www.palocorona.org.

We adjourned at 7:43 PM. Prepared by Henrietta Stern, Secretary, on 1/6/2019

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