



TTBCH Board Agenda/Meeting Minutes

Wed. April 9, 2025

Call to Order *Lacy*

Roll Call:

In Person: *Lacy, Melissa, jamie, deb, tim,*

Phone: *Cynthia, patrick* Absent: *janet, paul, dee*

Review of March mtg minutes. Edits? To Do List ?

Melissa makes motion to approve minutes, Tim seconds.

PRESIDENT's REPORT: *Melissa & Deb*

-Old/New membership email invite is drafted and ready to send w/ latest updated ride calendar. Will send to current and past members. Email to be sent in the next few days.

-Updating Rides Calendar; USFS dates not confirmed yet. Melissa talked to forest service today to see if there are any changes to dates they requested help with, but FS does not have any further information because of all the turmoil in the offices, etc.

Deb helpful in getting calendar finalized. Thank you! Initial website active ride calendar w/ride info is mostly finalized. Deb is new rides coordinator and will update/maintain info going forth. If hosting, you will call/email her with your ride info wanted to convey to members and on the website calendar. She will also convey info to social media wrangler Cynthia.

Melissa- signed up for 2025 membership via website and paid via Venmo as a test...

Melissa to work with website maintenance lady (dark horse web design) to ensure the order of the prompts are accurate for liability waivers signed electronically. Sign waiver, then prompt to do venmo.

UPCOMING EVENTS: *Deb & Melissa*

- 1) Membership drive **SPRING FLING**. Tetonia Club May 30th, 6-8pm. Derrik Hufsmith to play music! We can sell memberships out of the upper inside loft of club that day. Folks need to fill out a liability form when join membership!! Lacy to gather money and forms. Deb can help.
- 2) **Ashton Idaho Ag Days**: Scheduled for Thursday, May 29th. Volunteers include Patrick, Deb, Kevin, jamie, & Paul. They will plan what they will demonstrate at event as a team. 29 minutes per rotation with the kids. Patrick to nail down specifics within the next few weeks. Patrick to go to businesses in Ashton to ask for donations (COSTCO, CAL Ranch, Vickers) to cover TTBCH volunteers for gas and food for this school event. This is a "do good" for the companies that want to donate as well. Bring S'mores and solo

stove. All the booth/tent stuff is at Lacy's as well as the solo stove, coolers. Cynthia has the tables.

- 3) **National Trails Day Outreach**; June 7 th Llama meet and greet @Teton Canyon horse transfer station; best event location. Made USFS aware of the event. Melissa to make a flyer. Advertise in newspaper and on website.
- 4) ?June 28/29, Paul & Mac **Llama Desense Clinic** still happening?? *free. For members only. Limited to 7 horses. Discuss next month.
- 5) Sawyer saw stuff- Deb, Kev and Melissa got permission to attend Stanley sawyer training; includes chainsaw and xcut training certifications.
- 6) Tim and James raven signed up for sawyer training locally. Date tbd by USFS. Interested participants: Mark, Jamie, Tim, possibly Lacy, Hailee and Phil.

TREASURERS REPORT: *Janet*

We are in the 'green'.

Thank you all for sending me notices of payments, expenses, receipts, dues, events, grant awards, etc.

GRANTS REPORT: *Dee*

Teton Springs grant: \$4,991.00 Kev/Deb/Dee did legwork to change corrals and hitch rails to metal for longevity. Two 24' x12' pipe for corrals planned for N. Leigh. Rails at N. Leigh and Moose crk. Need to weld together.

The \$1104 cost is just for the hitching rails. We will have one 21foot hitching post at both Moose and N. Leigh. The cost for the pipe fencing for the corrals was handled by Kevin and Deb and last I knew it was going to be \$3450.80 which includes a \$150.00 shipping charge. They are from Canada and will be delivered. They may be a bit more than that so check with Deb and Kevin for their invoice.

So my guess is that there will not be any extra money left over by the time we also buy concrete, the plaques that will go up at the sites thanking the sponsors (TTBCH, Teton Springs Foundation and the USFS) and other materials. In fact we may have to dip into the chapters funds for more but it sounded like the board was ok with that. My guess is it would be under \$200.00 if we need to do that.

Plaque- this is to be run by the FS for what they allow.

Dee to order cement and coordinate.

BCH of America Grant Application denied: Reason due to BCHI wanting to support buying a hard (material) item so it will always stay with the chapter vs. a training for 3 people. Dee had written grant requesting 3 people to get wilderness first aid certified. \$780.00. (\$265.00 per person).

*Consider our chapter offering basic first aid lecture with stop the bleed tourniquet info and wound management offered as a lecture series thing in future.

BCHI Foundation grant awarded!:

Per Tim, the bchi foundation gave us the following grant: \$250.50. Will reimburse up to that amount. 2 equine kits. One NOLS(human). Tim got a human aid kit tourniquet free b

kit from the state meeting bchi foundation. Therefore will not get the tourniquet as part of our grant and will give that part of the money back to BCHI Foundation. Per Tim the bchi foundation receives money from donations from private donors. Idaho chapters can donate money into the foundation. (Incoming to the foundation was about \$800.00). Per Tim, the foundation would like to ask that chapters consider donating as well.

Per Tim, we need receipts!!

FOUNDATION REPRESENTATIVE & VOLUNTEER HRS REPORT: *Tim & Jamie*

Tim- from the state meeting. Dan Waugh-he goes to state legislator. Speakers came to talk about the potential new law coming- it will fund money for state parks. Money is coming probably in our area, likely in Harriman. Tim has been asked if he could be a contact and give the outlook of horse people. Harriman manager contacted Tim. Likely to meet in May.

Calendars- Tim did inform Kay and bchi that TT BCH would not be taking any calendars (we are the only chapter refusing to take and sell calendar/raffle tickets).

Forest service money- given to the foundation to manage. TT BCH did receive their reimbursement check. \$710.00

301form is to be signed by all members at the beginning of the season when they sign up for membership.

There is also a form for Mileage for people that drive to the work project. (Preapproved Forest service projects only). Sign 301b, Melissa sends in email any projects we are helping with details and FS approves/confirms. Then have mileage and names submitted to Bart Baer with Backcountry Horseman, Idaho. Both forms are to be submitted in the fall each year.

Idea from Lacy- any TT BCH mileage donated back to chapter, we could donate to the BCHI foundation? Vote next meeting once we know what money we have left that members forfeited from the mileage reimbursements for USFS service prjts and instead want to then give that money back to the foundation as a donation. Lacy to follow up. (Melissa to send email to members who will get reimbursements).

EDUCATION & OUTREACH REPORT: *Paul*

March on the capital for Public Lands Report March 22. *NON political approach.

SOCIAL MEDIA WRANGLER REPORT: *Cynthia*

Cynthia is posting regularly. Never figured out instagram. Everyone to forward anything we want posted. Has been posting at least once a month. At vet talk, Cynthia to video, then post a video from talk.

Melissa suggested Possibly not advertise all rides on FB, encourage members to join to have full access list of where we are riding.

OTHER Business? *Lacy*

If non members are riding with us , try to get them to sign the liability form.

Cowboy poetry in rexburg. Vfw building 1-5 pm Friday, Saturday 10-5. Cynthia to post this on our Facebook page.

NEXT MEETING:

May 7, 2025 (first Wednesday of the month)

Adjourn:

"I move to adjourn" lacy, Motion Made By: melissa, Second: cynthia