

## FORC Board Meeting

May 3rd, 2021

### Board

The following Board members were present:

Aaron G	President
Mandy	Race Director
Dave B	Secretary
Drew H	Web Director, Trail Steward Illiniwek & Dorrance

Also present was Shannon G, Brad M (Trail Steward for SCP) and Dan H (Trail Steward for Dog Park).

Mandy opened the meeting with a discussion of the two races (Sylvan Island Stampede and ScoCoPa Frenzy) completed since the last meeting. There were 263 riders in SIS and 221 riders at SCP. Mandy is still tallying numbers, but gross receipts from the two races were \$4735 and \$3970, respectively. In addition, \$912 was received from Credit Card swipes for merchandise at SIS and \$732 received at SCP. Those figures do not include cash received from merchandise sales, and there are still some miscellaneous expenses which need to be covered, such as cost for trophies, reimbursing Aaron for rental of the pavilion at SCP, etc. Mandy will have a complete report available at the June meeting, and Glen will be able to provide an accurate balance for the bank account at that time.

Drew will post the race results, which were received shortly before the board meeting, on the website.

Shannon noted FORC received many compliments regarding the course and the race held at SCP yesterday. Several riders remarked an event held by FORC could be counted on to be well organized. This is especially notable as the Club had very short notice to organize the race at SCP.

Aaron led a discussion of the status of the pavilion project. With recently received donations from various sources we are about \$1500 short of the money needed to complete the pavilion itself (during the Board meeting that figure was \$3300; at the membership meeting we were presented a check for \$1400 from the foot race at Sylvan, held the weekend after SIS; combined with additional donations noted during the membership meeting we are only \$1500 short). A down payment of just over \$5000 was made, locking in the cost of the structure. Unknown costs, as discussed at last month's meeting, include the slab. The bedrock is between 13 and 24 inches below the ground at the pavilion location; we have one truckload of concrete donated by Manatt's, but that will not be enough to complete the slab. A rough estimate for the concrete and rebar to complete the slab is around \$1500.

Rather than wait for additional donations, the board decided to use the Group's funds to cover the remaining costs and get the pavilion completed; the Group has about \$20,000 available and will be easily able to cover the remaining expenses.

Aaron noted the Group has some equipment located in a storage unit, for which we are paying monthly rental. The only notable item in this shed is a DR Mower/Trimmer; the remaining items are not used and could be disposed of. Aaron has an alternate location at which the DR could be stored, for less

expense, and this location is more accessible. The Board agreed with moving the DR to the new location and getting rid of the remaining items in the storage unit.

Mandy brought up issues with the walkie talkies used at the two most recent races. There were issues with range, dead batteries, etc. The Board agreed to research replacement radios for use in future events. In addition the Board decided to research a PA system as the current one, which the Club does not own, is not meeting our needs.

Aaron opened a discussion with the Trail Stewards regarding their upcoming needs:

Brad indicated he would be adding some berms at SCP. His big project there is rebuilding the boardwalk on Tarmac Loop. Brad also indicated he will attend the SCP Board meeting on May 14<sup>th</sup>, to thank them for allowing us to hold yesterday's race.

Dan H noted Davenport has approved the construction of the new bridge at Dog Park. Estimated cost is high; the Board tabled further discussion of funding the bridge until the June meeting, as we are hoping lumber prices will drop by then.

Drew discussed some improvements he is planning at Dorrance on the black loop.

In total 16 members attended the Membership Meeting following the board meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Bowman, Secretary.