



Border Route Trail Association

Board Meeting Minutes

June 15, 2017

Attendees: John Elliot, Gary Carlson, Tom Suter, Larry Quinn, Ed Solstad, Suma Raghavendran, Bob Westphal, Brian Hanson, Visitor Jeremy Nordling

➤ Reports

- President – John E.
 - Voted “yes” to splitting an ad again with NCT in Minnesota Trails Magazine fall issue.
 - Trail Guides ~34 remaining (John ~19, Deena ~15).
- Treasurer – Deena R. (not present)
 - Current checking balance reported and approved.
 - Will be depositing trip fees from PayPal equaling ~\$700 and trip fee check payments totaling \$780.
 - Trip expenses yet to be paid out.
 - Trail Guide printing costs pending.
- Trail Guide – Suma R.
 - Suma edited the last couple of pages. To be reviewed after the meeting.
 - Gary has new printing quote. \$1575.73, Quote No. 40173. He will email it and John will post on BRTBRD Yahoo Group.
 - Our current revision of 500 guidebooks lasted 3-4 years.
 - Proposal is to get 500 copies of current guidebook including Suma’s latest revisions. Brian and Suma to schedule a subcommittee Maps Brainstorming Session to plan and document changes and plans to Tri-Fold and/or other pocket-sized map or guide. Details forthcoming.
- Web Master – John G. (not present)
- Marketing – Suma R.
 - Pint Night at Midwest Mountaineering, Tuesday, June 27, 5:00 - 7:30 PM. Brian and Ed to work the table. Brian to contact Deena about brochures. Dayhike leaflets?
- Wilderness Coordinator – Bob W.
 - West end in good shape – very few deadfalls.
 - Tom Harris finished to Crab Lake Spur.

- Tom Kaffine says CC&I cleared Whisker Lake Spur to BRT.
 - South Lake Trail is in good shape. Two big trees down – one inside BWCA, one outside. Plan is to leave them for now.
 - Partridge Lake campsite trail is bad. Forest Service is cleaning up last year's fire lane. May burn in September.
 - 25 – 35 trees down on Caribou Rock Trail.
 - Topper Lake cutoff boardwalk is in bad shape. Forest Service will provide materials but unsure of delivery to site.
 - East end report 39 trees down from East Pike Lake to Clearwater Lake with some step-overs. Need to verify with Tom Kaffine the accuracy of report.
 - Long Portage has been cleared. East end is dammed but there is a walk around.
- Mechanized Coordinator – Ed S.
 - Looking for a coordinator.
 - Ed making a recon visit or two before September.
 - No update on transporting materials to bridge site.
 - Organizational topics
 - none
 - Monthly topics
 - Reviewed/approved May 2017 meeting minutes.
 - Next meeting Thursday, August 24, 7:30pm at Gary's. Larry will bring the beer.