



CALIFORNIA GREAT OUTDOORS INC.
2nd Quarter 2004 – 2005
CORPORATE BOARD MEETING
December 4, 2004

Attending: Chair, Mark Legassie
Secretary, Mario Voce
Financial Officer, Craig Courtright
Outings Chair, Roger Vorst
Board Rep./LA, Marty Bracciotti
Board Rep./OCLB, Marco Acosta
Board Rep./SBVC, D J Zayha
Board Rep./PS, Dar Bjork
Sean Dooner, Joe Domingos, Joe Corl, Bob King, Mark A.

Call to Order: 10:10 AM by Chairman Mark Legassie

Chairman's Report: Mark L. welcomes and introduces Board members, and announces the new meeting place at the Pasadena Library, Hill Avenue branch. Mark also announces and circulates committee sign up sheets for Large Events, Day Events, Camping 101, GO Archives, and the Centralized Membership Data Base.

Secretary's Report: Reading by Mario V., of current Board minutes of October 9, 2004. Mark L. to distribute former Board minutes.

Motion by Marty B. to approve the current Board minutes of 10/09/04, 2nd by Dar B.
Chair calls for the vote. Motion is approved unanimously.

Motion by Marty B. to table former Board minutes, of 10/09/04. 2nd by Dar B.
Chair calls for the vote. Motion is approved unanimously.

Secretary reports the completion of Corporate Board and Chapter Officer rosters.

Regarding individual chapter databases, Marco A reports that he has not received the OC/LB chapter database, an overdue action item.

Action Item: OC/LB Chapter to provide the chapter membership database to Corporate Chair by December 11, 2004.

Financial Officer's Report: Craig C. reports the Corporate account balance is \$1,609.87. The CD account balance is \$8,982.87. (See report distributed at meeting).

Action

Item: OC/LB Chapter to provide bank statements for August, September and October, 2004 to Financial Officer by December 11, 2004

Craig C. recommends that chapters use the same bank out of concerns that corporate funds could be used to cover chapter account overdrafts.

Action Item: Craig C. to contact the Bank of America to see about arranging GO chapters' accounts on line to enable the GO Corporate Financial Officer to review chapters' accounts statements on line.

Chair requests that the Financial Officer add a "variance dollars" column to this years' budget statement.

Break – Reconvene: 11:05 AM by chair.

Committee Reports: Mark L. presents Awards of Appreciation to Roger Vorst, for service as Chairman, Dan Grutzmacher, for service as Secretary.

Corporate Webmaster Roger V. reports his ongoing work on the website.

Action Item: Webmaster to add the Winter Jamboree 2005 link to the corporate home page.

Marty B. suggest setting up an additional address and link to the corporate website to access rosters, agendas and by laws.

Action Item: Webmaster to assemble corporate and chapter officer rosters.

Mark L. announces 3 volunteers for Archives Committee, Craig C., Dar B., and DJ Z.

Mark L. presents a CD Power Point presentation of an all trip history by Eric Price.

Mark L. request for a volunteer to copy and distribute Power Point disks to the chapters' VP. of Outings. DJ Z. volunteers to copy and distribute disks.

Mark L. calls for a volunteer for Awards Committee. Craig C. volunteers.

Motion by Dar B. to accept committee volunteers. 2nd by Marty B.
Chair calls for the vote. Motion is approved unanimously.

Chair requests Craig C. to search for additional award plaques. Dar B. suggests providing plaques to the corporate presidents or the add on name plates. Also, to add the names of Roger V, and Mark L. to the roving plaque.

Motion by Marty B. to approve Craig C. to handle award plaques. 2nd by Marco A.
Chair calls for the vote. Motion is approved unanimously.

Mark L. distributes and begins discussion on Lifetime Achievement Award guidelines with a request for a review.

Action Item: To Craig C. with assistance from Mark L. to handle the guideline procedure for awards qualification.

Webmaster: Roger V. announces that the GO Quarterly newsletter article submission deadline is the 15th of the month before the printing date.

Action Item: Mark L. to ascertain from Roger V. the trips posted in the Quarterly Newsletter.

Annual Conference: DJ Z. announces that the Annual Conference will be hosted by SB/VC Chapter will be at Cachuma Lake on October 8, 2005. The theme this year is, "Gay Outwest". Mark L. reports on the duties of the conference, and plans to re instate committee workshops during the conference weekend.

Training: Mark L. announces that the Outdoors Experience program will be held this March, and the cost of the facility used in part one, has doubled it's fees since last year. The amount charged by Great Outdoors for the OE program will increase from \$35 to \$40.

Motion by Dar B. to increase OE program fee to \$40. 2nd by DJ Z.
Chair calls for the vote. Motion is approved unanimously.

Dar B. volunteers to be of support by offering to make chili.

Action Item: To Roger V. to change the fee charged for the Outdoors Experience program to \$40 in the Great Outdoors Quarterly Newsletter.

Mark L. requests of Craig C.

Publicity/Outreach: Mark L. proposes Joe C. to chair the Publicity/Outreach committee.

Motion by Bob K. to approve Joe C. as P/O Committee Chair. 2nd by DJ Z.
Chair calls for the vote. Motion is approved unanimously.

Joe C. plans to have all chapters of GO advertised in the publication, Frontiers magazine.
Mark L. provides additional gay resources to Joe C.

Large Events: Mark L. announces the Winter Jamboree 2005, at Anza Borrego Desert State Park and calls for volunteers. Sign up sheets for Jamboree items are circulated.
Mark L. presents Winter Jamboree 2005 tee shirt logo design by Roger V. Mark L. recommends incorporating the date of the event into the logo.

Motion by Marco A. to approve Winter Jamboree 2005 logo design. 2nd by Dar B.
Chair calls for the vote. Motion is approved unanimously.

Mark L. announces that the GO Spring Jamboree 2005 will be at Black Mountain Group Camp. Planning for the event will be at the next GO Corporate Board meeting.

Craig C. reports that the Corporate By Laws are vague and need to be updated regarding liability issues for the 4x4 off road vehicle aspect of the Winter Jamboree. Craig C. distributes a sample form for extra liability the 4x4 trip.

Mark L. recommends adding a footnote to indicate an addendum on the trip notes regarding liability update and added signature lines for this event.

Day Events: Mark L. presents Sean D. for chair of the committee.

Motion by DJ Z. to approve Sean D. for chair of the Day Events committee. 2nd by Dar B. Chair calls for the vote. Motion is approved unanimously.

Action Item: To Roger V. and Mark L. to update the Anza Borrego trip notes and registration form.

Action Item: To Mark L. to forward GO membership database to chapters and Corporate Board.

Action Item: To Craig C. to follow up on the gold seal.

GO By Laws review: Mark L. calls for volunteers for an ad hoc By Laws Review Committee to update the by laws by conference 2005. Mark L. volunteers to chair the committee. Mario V. and Joe D. volunteer.

Next Meetings: Saturday, March 5, 2005, and Saturday, June 6, 2005, 10 AM at Pasadena Library.

Round Robin: OC/LB - Marco A. states that the OC/LB Chapter Treasurer will remain in office and is conducting a chapter financial review.

Action Item: To all Board Reps to update Chapter Newsletter mailing lists to include all Corporate Board Members and Chapter Reps.

SB/VC – DJ Z. reports that the chapter is creating new tee-shirts, updating it's website and producing a new banner.

PS – Dar B. reports that the chapter has excellent speakers and chapter leaders. The membership is at 150. Dar B. encourages chapter leaders to groom new leaders for the group.

Chair adjourns: Meeting adjourned at 1:20 PM.

Submitted by Mario Voce, Secretary, California Great Outdoors Inc.
