

Trailblazer Meeting Minutes

May 1, 2023 6pm - 8pm

Location: Don Pedro High School

Discussion:

- Needing to form a committee: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasure – I think we should hold off on establishing a board, lets get things rolling and see who would be able to commit the time to the positions.
- Reach out to counties for funding for Fire Preventive Crew – We need to locate a section or trail that would best utilize the funds. We would need this information in order to get a proper, complete quote.
- Attend HOA meetings to discuss plans and provide an update on our projects and plans. Request funding. This is a monthly obligation, I think its important to show our board members and other community members our progress and commitment.
- I am continually updating the website with new and relevant info.
- Look into Grants from AQHA and Tractor Supply Will start working on the grant writing.
- 2022 we had 6 days of work with an average of 15 volunteer hours each day. Total of 88 hours on Violetta loop.
- April 23rd ride with Waterford Horseman – pros and cons. Ways to improve?
 - It was a great turnout for our first ride. Thank you to Waterford Horseman! We where able to bring riders in from outside our community and show them a smart piece of our trails.
 - Better coordinate ride out time and perhaps host a lunch after ride. Hopefully we can get our BBQ trailer up and operational before our next ride out.

2023 Goals:

- Fund Raisers / Community Involvement Jane has a great suggestion, she is getting us setup with a bi-monthly cleanup fund raiser. More details will be posted soon.
 - Quarterly rides, BBQs, etc.
 - Possibly BBQ for other ridding groups or local events.
 - Vote on swag items – We do want to get some shirts and hats made.
 - Tina has offered to donate some old tack, Kim & Dan have some random household things to contribute to sell at the community yard sale Saturday May 13th. If anyone else has anything they would like to contribute, let Kim know.
- Set a day for each month to clear and cleanup parks and trails. Our first cleanup day with be Saturday May 20th 9am at Alfier Pond.
- Do we want to do another Spring Ride? Summer ride? Fall ride?
 - We can even plan for each member to offer a guided ride in their area. Jane is hosting a ride on a trail around her area. June 24th 9am sharp (ride out) meet at Alfier Pond. Expect a 3 hour ride.

- If you know a trail, lets ride it together. We know there are trails all over but are unfamiliar with them.
- Take pictures of you ridding a trail and lets post for the community to see they are being used, so we don't slowly lose them all.
- We will be meeting with Sue and Mitch to go over where the trail is near them. They plan on hiking the area near Alamo Pond.
 - I will also be hiking the area near Alamo and Alfier Pond. Please take a walking stock or ski pole to help protect your self from snakes or lose dogs, etc.