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MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING  
of  
THE ARIZONA STATE COMMITTEE ON TRAILS (ASCOT)  
of  
THE ARIZONA STATE PARKS BOARD  
AGENDA

A. CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTION OF MEMBERS, GUESTS, AND STAFF

**Members Present:** Linda Slay, Jan Hancock, Rick Kesselman, Claire Miller, Bernadine McCollum, Angela Villa, Darrel Monger, Christina Voigt, Jim Coffman, Julie Bradley, Joe Winfield, Adam Milnor, Bill Gibson (phone), Evan Pilling showed up 10:15

**Staff Present:** Christopher Munns, Attorney General Office, Sean Hammond, Mickey Rogers, Jim Keegan

B. ACTION ITEMS

1. Review and approve meeting minutes from January 27, 2017 meeting.

*Motion: Ms. McCollum moved to approve, Ms. Bradley seconded---motion passed.*

2. Review and recommend funding for the 2017 RTP Trail Maintenance Program –

*Sean Hammond gave an overview of the trail maintenance grants and how these are selected. There were five that were submitted, one that was not eligible.*

*Motion: Ms. Miller moved to approve all that were eligible, Ms. Hancock seconded—motion passed*

3. Review and recommend funding for the 2017 Recreational Trails Program Non-motorized grant applications. Mickey Rogers gave an overview of the projects that were submitted. Staff reviewed and talked about their recommendations.

*Staff and ASCOT recommended to fully fund: Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest, Alpine Ranger District, Flagstaff Biking Organization, Coconino County, Maricopa County, Coconino National Forest—Mogollon Rim District, Town of Willcox, Volunteers for Outdoor Arizona, and City of Yuma trail projects. Staff and ASCOT recommended partially funding Tucson Off-road Cycling Organization trail project. Staff and ASCOT recommended to fund Bureau of Land Management Lake Havasu Field Office, Phoenix Pueblo Grande Museum Project, and Saguaro National Park trail project should funding become available. Staff and ASCOT did not recommend funding the University of Arizona’s project. ASCOT recommended not to fund NPS Glen Canyon Project as there was a question as to whether they own the property where the trail will be constructed (Staff visited with NPS after the meeting and the trail is on NPS property and will be an ADA trail to the rim). ASCOT also recommended fully funding Phoenix’s South Mountain Trail Project, and Rim Country Foundation trail projects.*

*Motion: Ms. Hancock moved to approve the above recommended projects. Ms. Bradley seconded—motion passed.*

4. Review and recommend funding for the 2017 RTP Safety and Environmental Education (SEE) grant applications – Mickey Rogers gave an overview of the SEE projects that were submitted.



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*Motion: Mr. Kesselman recommended to fully fund all SEE projects with the exception of First Moto which was recommended not to fund when funding becomes available. Ms. McCollum seconded—motion passed.*

- 5. Arizona Premier Trails System (APTS) –** vote on two (2) newly submitted trails – *Ms. Miller gave an overview of the recently reviewed trails.*

*Motion: Ms. Miller moved to approve the Buckeye Skyline Regional Park Trail system as a Premier Trail. Ms. Bradley seconded. Motion passed.*

- 6. Review and recommend changes in the APTS application –** *Rick Kesselman discussed the proposed scoring change used to select an Arizona Premier Trail. There was also a discussion of some minor changes to make it more user friendly.*

*Motion: Mr. Kesselman moved to approve the scoring changes. Ms. McCollum seconded—Motion passed.*

- 7. Review and recommend changes in the non-motorized project scoring –** *This will be discussed at a later date.*

## C. DISCUSSION

- 1. Report on AORCC’s recommendation for future ASCOT member –** *Mickey Rogers discussed the AORCC and the Board review of the new members and would like a more geographically diverse group if possible.*

- 2. Sub Committee make up –** Rick Kesselman discussed the participation of members and asked for volunteers for the various subcommittees. *Chair will discuss with all members the make-up of the Public and Outreach Subcommittee (POS), Safety and Environmental Education Subcommittee (SEE), APTS Subcommittee, Nominating Committee and request volunteers to join committees – (Rick Kesselman – 10 minutes).*

*Public Outreach Subcommittee—Angela Villa, Linda Slay, Claire Miller, Julie Bradley and Evan Pilling*

*Safety and Environmental Education Subcommittee—Bill Gibson, Bernadine McCollum, Julie Bradley, Matt Nelson*

*Premier Trail Subcommittee—Rick Kesselman, Claire Miller, Angela Villa, Joe Winfield, Bernadine McCollum*

- 3. Role of ASCOT –** *Rick Kesselman talked briefly on the role of ASCOT.*

- 4. ASCOT members will discuss current events and/or recent experiences of interest to the trails community and/or the status of any trail projects with which they may be involved. *Because of length of meeting, there was no discussion.***

## D. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

The Chair will recognize those wishing to address the Committee. It is probable that each presentation will be limited to one person per organization and the time allotted by the Chair. Action taken as a result of acknowledgment of comments and suggestions from the public will be limited to directing staff to study or reschedule the matter for further consideration at a later time. *There were none*

## E. UPCOMING MEETINGS

TBD



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