

North Kitsap Trails Association

Board of Directors Annual Meeting/Teleconference

January 23, 2021

Directors in Attendance: Linda Berry-Maraist, Patsy Bryan, Doug Maraist, Caroline Perisho, Amy Sutton, Evan Stoll and Don Willott

Directors Absent: John Kuntz, Duke Bourgeois, Deborah Weinmann

Recording Secretary: Doug Maraist

A. Business:

1. Call to Order - Agenda Review

The Board of Directors Annual Meeting of the North Kitsap Trails Association was called to order by President Amy Sutton at 9:00 A.M. on Saturday January 23, 2021. Due to the State/County COVID-19 rules on social distancing, this meeting is being held via ZOOM teleconferencing services.

2. History of 2020 Accomplishments

President Amy Sutton opened the meeting with a review of the past year's accomplishments, by sharing her screen with NKTA's website front page listing numerous milestones, like the launch of NKTA's website and acknowledging Evan Stoll and his committee level of effort to complete this task.

3. Review of NKTA's Organizational Goals: (see exhibit below)

During a review of NKTA's 10 Organizational Goals, each board member took a moment to discuss their goals for the next year and to identify which of the 10 organizational goals they are focused on.

4. Trail Work Goals:

Action for 2021

a) Millie's Trail:

- i. Pay/Renew NKTA's Easement
- ii. Trail Assessment
- iii. Plan & Sponsor a Work Party

Linda to contact Nan (family)
Doug/Linda to Report Condition
Linda/Patsy to lead effort

b) Shoreline Trail: (Delayed due to COVID)

- i. Plan & Sponsor a Work Party
- ii. County Training on leading Work Parties
- iii. County Safety Packages to keep in NKTA Trailer
- iv. History Signage (REI Grant)

March Target (confirm w/ Stewards)
Linda to share link w/ Board
Evan?
Evan, Amy, Linda to work w/ Lynn

(Storyboard focus on history road, partnerships, etc.)

- v. Erosion @ Picnic Table
- vi. New Benches (REI Grant)

Stewards
Stewards; confirm County Process
Completed by Stewards

c) Aviary Trail: (Wild-West Trail)

d) Alders Trail:

Duke (confirm adoption by Back Country Horsemen)

5. Non-Motorized Committee:

Debbie to continue attendance

a) Increase NKTA communications & support for NKTA projects

6. Signage: (Committee formed)

Don, Doug, Evan, Amy, Caroline

(Determine Message & Prioritize Signage Types/Cost)

- a) Safety Signage (Trailheads)
- b) Road Signage (Trailheads)
- c) Historical Signage (Trailhead)
- d) STO Way-Finding Signage

Recommend Standard Types
Bayview, Stottlemeyer, RCA Field
REI Grant – Determine Message(s)
Don/Doug Awaiting Final Artwork

7. Community Outreach:

- a) Engage with Other User Groups
 - i. Donations to Other Groups

Board to consider Leafline & WaterTrails

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- ii. Social Events (gatherings local pubs /eatery) **Caroline** to lead/ NKTA sponsored events
(Invite volunteer groups like Stewards/Audubon/EMBA)
Resurrect Communications Committee
 - b) Promotions & Communications:
 - i. Leafline Coalition **Don** to Lead
 - ii. Rails to Trails Conservancy **Doug/Linda/Don/Others** have joined RTC
 - iii. Update NKTA Tri-Fold Brochure No Committee Formed – **AGENDA ITEM**
 - iv. Newsletter (Evan can publish quickly) No Committee Formed – **AGENDA ITEM**
 - v. Social Media **Debbie** (Facebook)
 - vi. Press Releases/ Monthly Articles No Committee Formed – **AGENDA ITEM**
 - vii. Recognitions (Card a Month/ Golden Pulaski) No Committee Formed – **AGENDA ITEM**
 - viii. NKTA Stationary **Evan/Patsy** to search & find artwork
 - c) Youth Outreach:
 - i. NKHS Hiking Club/ Volunteers **Amy** to Explore for Inclusion
 - ii. PMS Environmental Club/ Volunteers (Greenway program led by Ken Shawcroft)
 - iii. GPC Youth/ Chief Kitsap/ Env. Justice
 - d) Public Interest/ Involvement:
 - i. Work Parties **Doug /Linda** to Lead Spring & Fall Dates
 - ii. Sponsored Hikes & Rides Earth Day, National Trail Day, REI Opt-Out
 - iii. Sponsored Nature Walks/ Talks **Doug /Don** to Brainstorm & Report-out
 - iv. Partner with Parks & Rec. **Topics:** Noxious weeds, foraging, birding, plant & amphibian identification, etc.
 - e) NKTA Website **Evan** to Maintain/ Train Others (**Doug**)
 - f) PGFHP Maps Consider Mobile Friendly Outlets
 - g) Decals (Print and Distribute to Volunteers) Reprinted in 2020 as 4-Fold Type
 - h) Great Give Add NKTA to Cover/ Add Mileage Loops
 - i. Donor Thank-You's **Amy** to Contact Brooke for Artwork
9. Creation of Meeting Norms **Evan** would like to pass-off task
Foster Culture of Appreciation
8. STO Promotions:
- a) Regular Contact w/ Eric Baker (County Policy) **Linda** to Take Lead
 - b) Photography (Airel by Brian K.) **Don/Doug** to complete Storyboard/ Locations
 - c) Blade Signs **Doug/ Don** to Complete Task Soon
 - d) Trailhead Signs **Don** to Coordinate w/ County
 - e) STO Community Group **NKTA** to Take Lead on Quarterly Updates
(Clarify Group's Role w/ Members)
 - f) PG Route Design (Master Plan & Engr. Study) **Doug, Linda, Don, Debbie** (Brainstorm)
(Discussions w/ Rob Gelder in Spring)
 - g) Be Community Representative **NKTA**
 - h) Promote & Publicize (Build on Successes) **Doug** to Update/ Publish STO Pocket Map
 - i) LOGO/ Name Copywrite/Trademark **Caroline** to Continue Exploring (Attorney)
9. Creation of Meeting Norms **Patsy, Don, Caroline** to Take Lead

The next NK Trails Assoc. Regular Board Meeting is held on Thursday, February 24 at 6:00 - 8:00 PM on ZOOM.
Meeting Adjourned at 12:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Doug Maraist, NKTA Board Member

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ATTACHMENT ONE

NKTA's Organizational Goals:	Focus Groups
Goal 1: <i>Work with community leaders, local & tribal governments, private developers, community members and our neighbors to develop public-private partnerships for creating a system of connected multi-surfaced and multi-use non-motorized trails.</i>	Linda, Don, Debbie(?)
Goal 2: <i>Promote healthy lifestyles by designing a trail system that serves citizens of all ages and abilities with diverse outdoor recreation activities.</i>	Amy, Caroline
Goal 3: <i>Establish trail routes that highlight the natural beauty of our region and promote appreciation of wildlife and natural systems.</i>	Amy, Linda, Don, Patsy, Caroline
Goal 4: <i>Encourage innovative land uses to maximize public open space and development of trails between North Kitsap communities, working forests, agricultural areas and new development.</i>	Linda, Evan
Goal 5: <i>Provide educational opportunities and identify points of interest throughout the trail system that highlight cultural resources, working lands, local history and natural science.</i>	Caroline, Amy
Goal 6: <i>Connect our trails with other regional, county, and cross-state trail systems. [CROSS COUNTRY]</i>	Doug, Don, Patsy, Evan, Caroline
Goal 7: <i>Promote our trail system as an eco-tourism destination and enticement for economic development. [ECONOMIC SUSTAINABILITY]</i>	Doug, Amy, Linda, Caroline
Goal 8: <i>Encourage non-motorized transportation by offering multiple trail access points and safe, reasonably direct routes between North Kitsap communities, local ferries and bridges, and popular destinations within each community.</i>	Patsy, Evan
Goal 9: <i>Promote Safety in Trail Planning Considerations.</i>	Patsy, Evan, Debbie(?)
Goal 10: <i>Promote our water trail system.</i>	John, Patsy, Caroline