

IDITAROD TRAIL COMMITTEE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING – SUMMARY
April 23, 2010
Millennium Hotel
Anchorage, Alaska

President Larsen called the meeting to order at 9:05AM. A quorum of the Board was present.

Kathi Fiedler and Donna Erikson thanked the Board for the ITC assistance in raising \$15,000 for a service dog for 10 year old Logan Erikson of Unalakleet.

Dave Schwantes told the Board he has been an Iditarod supporter since the first race. He is now retired from teaching and the Iditarod will be his first love.

The minutes of the February 23 Board meeting were approved.

President Larsen thanked the staff and volunteers for a great race and congratulated Lance Mackey for his victory.

Executive Director Hooley reported on financial projections for the remainder of FY10, which ends on June 30. He stated that ITC will still have significant cash flow issues. The budget for FY11 will be presented to the Board for their consideration at the May meeting.

The Board met in executive session with several sponsors about issues of mutual concern and how to jointly move forward in addressing these issues. (See below for committee assignment).

Staff reports from the Race Director, Public Relations Director, Development Director and the Chief Veterinarian were reviewed and accepted by the Board. As an organization, ITC was very pleased there were NO dog deaths during the 2010 race.

IOFC Representative Seavey reported that the club has recommended ITC go back to allowing a finish with five dogs in harness. The club also discussed using GPS, drug testing and the purse.

Jeff King expressed his opinion that no musher with a dog fatality during the race should be allowed to finish the race. He believes this would be in the best interest of the race.

The Board went into executive session with its attorney to discuss legal issues.

Nominating Committee Chairman, Aaron Burmeister, reported the committee has nominated Sam Maxwell and Mike Jonrowe for Seat H on the Board of Directors, Jim Palin and Danny Seybert for Seat I and Andy Baker for Seat J. The election will be held in June.

Rules Committee Chairman, Will Peterson, reported the committee has met and will be meeting again to consider rules changes for the 2011 Iditarod. Recommendations will be available for the May Board meeting.

Palin reported that additional funding in the amount of \$360,000 had been received for the Iditarod Trail Right-of-Way Adjudication project. Funding to date amounts to a little over \$1.1 million. The latest funding will take the project to September 2012.

President Larsen appointed Mark Moderow, John Handeland, Stan Hooley and himself as a committee to meet with a group from the Iditarod sponsors to address issues of mutual interest.

President Larsen appointed the following members to the FY11 Budget Committee: John Handeland (Chair), Lee Larsen, Danny Seybert, Rick Swenson and Jim Palin.

The meeting adjourned at 4:17PM

Jim Palin
Secretary – ITC Board

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