

IDITAROD TRAIL COMMITTEE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING – SUMMARY  
December 4, 2009 (including December 18 continuance)  
Millennium Hotel  
Anchorage, Alaska

President Larsen called the meeting to order at 9:02AM. A quorum was present.

Kathy Fiedler addressed the Board via telephone for the purpose of requesting support to raise \$13,000 for a service dog for a child in Unalakleet.

Judy Bittner, President of the Iditarod Historic Trail Alliance, told the Board IHTA is now halfway through the Centennial. She asked for permission for Dan Seavey to again be the Centennial musher at the start of the 2010 Iditarod. She also spoke about an expanded educational program.

Dick Lounsbury spoke to the Board about a cabin he would like to donate to the ITC under certain conditions.

Leslie Schick (State – DNR) reviewed the status of the ROW Adjudication project.

The minutes of the October 9, 2009 meeting were approved as corrected.

President Larsen noted that at this time the Board needs to make sure ITC Staff knows that the Board supports them while we are figuring out how to increase revenues and decrease expenses.

Executive Director Hooley reviewed the various financial concerns. He noted that staff salary cuts were included in the budget and there would be additional operational cuts in the future.

The Board went into executive session to discuss financial issues.

The Board accepted the various staff reports.

Dan Seavey noted that the State of Alaska vanity license plate for Iditarod finishers will be available after the first of the year. Each finisher is entitled to one set of plates.

Based on the recommendations of the Honorary Musher Committee, Orin Seybert was selected as the Honorary Musher for the 2010 race. In addition, Dick Mackey will receive a special award from ITC for all his support over the years.

Hooley noted that a letter concerning the drug testing program for the 2010 race had been sent to each musher.

President Larsen appointed Aaron Burmeister as chair of the 2010 Nominations Committee and noted the Maxwell, Larsen and Palin are up for re-election.

The Board authorized Staff to spend some time to assist Kathy Fiedler facilitate fundraising for a service dog for the young child in Unalakleet.

The Lounsbury cabin issue was referred to staff for further investigation.

Palin noted that he and Hooley had met with DOT consultants concerning the Willow Airport and ITC re-start issues. ITC should receive the consultant recommendations within a couple months.

Following an executive session, the meeting was recessed, subject to the call of the chair, at 5:30PM

December 18, 2009  
ITC Board Meeting Continuance  
Via Teleconference  
Anchorage, Alaska

President Larsen called the meeting to order at 1:30PM. A quorum was present.

The Board went into executive session to discuss financial issues.

A motion was approved to table Final Race Rules until a special meeting is held.

Being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Jim Palin  
Secretary – ITC Board

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