HIMBA AGM. Wednesday November 19, 7:30 pm

In Attendance: Tom Runtherford, Jennifer Armstrong, Will Wood Mcdonnell, Jayne Hays, Mike Hays, Peggy Kabush, Rob White, Tig Cross, Rob Zeleinski, Cam Duke.

Approval of minutes

The board approved the minutes from the HIMBA Board Meeting, Tuesday October 7th

Summary

President's Report

Jennifer Armstrong, serving as president, delivered her annual report highlighting the completion of the Free Fall extension and the Purgatory reroute, both of which received positive feedback from riders. Jennifer reported on the successful completion of the trail projects and highlighted upcoming trail work, including the rebuild of the "Your Mom" trail starting in January with financial support from the CVRD.

Executive Directors Report

Tig discussed the strong relationship with the regional district, noting that the Terms of Reference document is providing a clear roadmap for new trail development. The board learned that the Island Cup Enduro will be held on June 13th due to scheduling conflicts with the BC Cup Cross Country in Victoria, and Tig mentioned plans to develop a HIMBA jersey with potential artwork from Islanders.

Treasurer's Report

The meeting covered financial updates, with Peggy reporting a HIMBA bank balance of \$30,094.58, The board approved the Treasurer's report

Trail Restoration and Expansion Plans

Tom discussed the successful repair of the upper section of Freefall trail, which was in poor condition by mid-summer but has been restored and is now in good shape.

Tom outlined plans for upcoming trail work, including finishing the Double Cross reroute and reworking a section of Yer Mom, which will involve adding a dirt jump section.

The work on Double Cross is expected to be completed during a December work party, pending Daniel May's inspection before the party.

Drew McVitty has agreed to bring his mini excavator to help move dirt for the Yer Mom. Tig mentioned that the Regional District would cover machine work and materials for the Purgatory project, including a 20-foot culvert, while HIMBA would provide labor and volunteer lunches

The team also acknowledged a \$500 donation from the Co-Op to support trail crew lunches, with Tom suggesting that the executive director send a thank you note

Trail Maintenance and Donations Discussion

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Trail Planning and Board Updates

The meeting covered several topics, including tree removal and communication processes, with Daniel and Dan Hamilton being the primary contacts for overseeing downed trees. The group discussed a scheduling conflict between a trail running event and a trail building day on March 14th, with Tig suggesting potential solutions like moving the event to a Sunday or combining efforts with the trail running event. The board election was brief, with Kate Chambers provisionally accepted as a new board member despite her absence, and Taio confirmed her interest in remaining on the board. Tig emphasized the need to encourage more HIMBA members to participate in committees and volunteer opportunities, particularly through the upcoming enduro race, to ensure a steady influx of new energy and ideas into the organization.

Island Cup Event Planning Meeting

The board confirmed that the Island Cup event is likely scheduled for June 13th.

Next Meeting

the next meeting is scheduled for February 12th, 2024, at 7:30 PM, with Will noting he would be in Japan until January 11th.

The Meeting adjourned at 8:30

Next steps

- Jennifer: look into Jill's feedback tomorrow
- Tig: email Kate Chambers to confirm she can still join as board member and attend meetings
- Tig: send thank you correspondence to co-OP for their \$500 donation
- Tig: include co-op thanks in Instagram posts with photos of trail crew eating sandwiches
- Tom: send fallout sign design to Cam

- Cam: get fallout sign made for the last section of freefall
- Michael: get zucchini sign made when daughter has time
- Tom and Tig: confer via email and schedule Trail Work Committee meeting before February 12th
- Will and Tom: work out details for guerrilla afternoon to rebuild purgatory re-alignment before December 13th
- Tig: provide trail work t-shirts to anyone who wants one contact via email for custom sizes