

ANPR Board of Directors Conference Call

Tuesday, February 23, 2016

8:30 pm Eastern/7:30 pm Central/6:30 pm Mountain/5:30 pm Pacific/4:30 pm Alaska

Board Members Attending: Nick Mann, Tom Banks, Ken Bigley, Colleen Derber, Jan Lemons, Erika Jostad, Katlyn Grubb, Scott Warner, Kate Sargeant, Lauren Kopplin, Cadence Cook

Others: Alison Steiner

Meeting called to order at 8:33 pm.

Rendezvous – Lauren

- Planning is going well.
- Alison posted information on website and sent email today.
- Received confirmation from Superintendent at BAND for field trip and service project.
- Receiving donations for hospitality suite.
- Working on recruiting members for the planning team.
- Working with Nick on exhibitors.
- Working with Kate to reach out to more members. Hope to get higher turnout than last year, 100-150 would be great.
- Erika contacted superintendents at nearby parks to let them know that we'll be in the area.
- Lots of members in the area.

TASK – Send list of people for Erika to reach out to – Lauren and Tim.

TASK – Send list of confirmed presenters to BOD – Lauren.

TASK – Forward information on potential speakers to Lauren – All.

Where are people working?

- Lauren – worked a few months at SHEN, now working at LOWE, accepted summer season at BUFF in Arkansas
- Cadence – has 30 resumes out, waiting to hear back
- Tom – probably at OLYM, but has a couple applications out
- Nick – application at SEKI, waiting to hear back from Pablo Garzon.

Membership Services – Kate

- Erika sent BOD a list of lapsed members.

TASK – Reach out to people we know and encourage them to rejoin ANPR – All.

- Kate contacted everyone on the list except for those who don't have email. Asked if they don't intend to renew, to share the reason with us.
- Will send hard copy of membership renewal form.
- On agenda for next couple of months –
 - Reach out to libraries (of colleges that have resource management problems).
 - Reach out to LE training programs and asking them to become life members – Kat offered to help and will provide Kate with talking points.
 - Develop partnerships with universities that might be interested in college chapters.

Finances – Tom

- Last month, paid bills for Ranger magazine – \$3K, Taxes filed – \$600, Quickbooks – \$300, and Nick's training class.
- \$4K expenses.
- \$2,800 in dues.
- Some income from advertisers' fees and sales.
- Treasury is strong.

Business Office – Alison

- Fiscal year ends March 31st
- We're in the black \$13K (doesn't count WRC expenses).
- Alison suggested that we could offer discount to students of LE academies, if they become library members, if board supports.
- Tom suggested we try it for a year and see what happens.
- Erika – move forward with discounted membership of gift membership **to students at the academies**. Kate seconded. All in favor.
- Will advertise in the schools.

World Ranger Congress – Erika

- 118 paid and registered delegates.
- 17 members of ANPR have not registered yet, including 5 people who are part of WRCOG.
- 30 connected to CSU.
- There are currently about 200 delegates.
- Pace of registration expected to increase as we get closer, and we will have more slots.
- One more round of applications, and then we'll have rolling admission.
- 200-250 would be break even.
- Programming is going well.

- Conference approval paperwork has been submitted. It has to go to the department for approval.
- We can expect this to be approved because director is going to attend.

CAT - Erika

- Thank you to Scott who interfaced with Chris Jenkins.
- Content/advertisers hadn't been settled yet, and we didn't feel comfortable supporting it.

New business

LMWFA – Ken

- Cadence sent around link about background of LMWFA
- There was some kind of procedural problem with OPM acting director, Beth Cobert. Inspector general said that anything that came out of OPM without someone at the helm is invalid.
- The bigger problem is getting DOI and NPS to send out guidance.
- Ken will keep everyone posted.
- Ken thinks we need to stand back and let it develop. Our involvement probably wouldn't make things go any faster.
- Get the sense that Mike Reynolds has personal commitment to this.

Ranger magazine – Erika

- Things have been going great since Ann took over.
- Significant contributions for spring issue.
- Advertising from DOI credit union, Pilot Rock (helps with publication costs)

TASK – Submit items to Ann about what you're working on – All.

Americorps Assistance– Nick

- Would like to look into using Americorps members to work with ANPR, see if we would qualify for Americorps
- Areas that Americorps could help with – econ, environmental stewardship, healthy futures

TASK – Let Nick know if you have ideas – All.

Tom – suggested that we let Nick know what we'd like to fundraise for so when he goes to his training class, he could share ideas. Ideas include raising money to support rendezvous, helping families of rangers who have been killed in the line of duty, gap funding for seasonal employees.

Erika – We're meeting our basic responsibilities now. Basic responsibility as board members is making sure ANPR is solvent. Above and beyond is great.

Nick asked if ANPR has ever helped out emergency fund to parks. Erika explained that since we're non-profit, we aren't fundraising arm.

Video

- Teresa Baker put it together, involved in making the NPS be less white, middle class.
- Has done really well, good message for the future.
- Kat shared on Facebook (ANPR and NPS employees' pages).
- Alan Spears – powerful speaker, good ideas, interesting discussions.
- Erika – thinks this is a good discussion, good to be part of it.

Meeting adjourned 9:22 pm.