

September 2014 FAC BOD Agenda & Minutes

September 21, 2014, 5:00pm

Present (9/11): Forest, Doug, Ike, Jered, Pecan, Sadiya, Dan, Blake, Jesse

Absent (2/11): Liz, Chuck

Agenda

1. Pizza
2. Approve June and July Minutes
3. Review Old Actions
4. Resignation of Rachel Boyce & Pecan
5. New Officer Elections
6. Conduct Committee Actions Review
7. Update on Conduct Committee Formation
8. Review and Select Conduct Committee Members
9. Security Post-Mortem
10. Board Members, Core Liaisons and Core Leads for 2015
11. 2014 Budget Review
12. Afterburn Report Update
13. Request from BRE Decom to use Art Grant Application
14. Firefly Radio Loan Policy
15. Public Forums (Facebook, Email) and Advertising
16. October Meeting Date

Old Actions

- Coordinate eventual transition of IT services --Jered
- Create draft Firefly business card --Liz, Jered
- Enroll us on the organization side of Amazon Smile --Chuck, Jesse
- Announce Amazon Smile link in upcoming Firefly Announce update --Ike
- Find out Ranger year-round storage requirements and expectations --Forest
- Call for Communications Core post-IT work --Ike
- Send a note to the planning list requesting review//update of (Core lead portion of) draft Afterburn Report by Core Leads and acknowledging approval --Jered
- Send a call for Afterburn Survey Designers. --Ike

New Actions

- Follow up with Rachel and Pecan on honorary membership status, update state records --Jered
- Draft a call for board members --Forest, Sadiya
- Write up a set of basic Board Core Liaison responsibilities --Doug
- Follow up with Rangers on how the new radios worked, what we want to do going forward --Jesse

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- Collaborate on getting this year's Afterburn Report completed and distributed. --Dan, Jered, Ike
- Send Firefly Art Grant to Eve for BRE. --Doug
- Ask Planning list for opinions on what to do about event advertising --Jered

Decisions Made

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Pizza

We ordered:

- 1x 18" I Love Meat
- 1x 18" Vegged Out Regular w/o Mushroom
- 6 piece Teriyaki tenders
- 6 piece Hot Buffalo tenders

Approve June and July Minutes

Approved.

Review Old Actions

Done. Limited progress from TTITD. Jered to take on coordination of Afterburn Report.

Resignation of Rachel Boyce & Pecan

Rachel is resigning from the board so that she can contribute more directly to Firefly event activities. Also, Pecan previously planned to resign after this meeting. *[Action: Follow up with Rachel and Pecan on honorary membership status. --Jered]*

New Officer Elections

Before we do elections, do we want to recruit and approve new board members?

Counterpoint is that the last elections were September 2013, and it'd be good for new board members to have some experience on the board prior to holding an office.

President: Jered Floyd

Vice-President: Sadiya Carr

Treasurer: Chuck Ingersoll

Clerk: Ike Feitler

Director of Communication: [open]

Tech Lead: Jesse Campbell

Director of Legal Affairs: [open]

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Art-Reach Lead: Doug Ruuska

Director of Organizational Development: Forest Handford

Some of our officer roles overlap across different people's responsibilities; we may want to revise these in the future. Overall there is lack of clarity in officer role descriptions, particularly that of vice-president. When we have time, we should do a more thorough bylaws review.

Conduct Committee Actions Review

No actions to review.

Update on Conduct Committee Formation

Call for members went out, and we collected responses. Had a BARCC training in August with 8 or 9 participants. Second set of training focusing on investigation and confidentiality is being scheduled.

Review and Select Conduct Committee Members

All applicants (15) seem to be acceptable candidates. All people who have attended the first training can continue through the process, and we will inform that that if they attend the second training that they will be approved for the conduct committee.

Security Post-Mortem

Hired security isn't able to do a whole lot of stuff, and when we had incidents they did the those limited things that they could do. Was this worth the cost? Do we get benefits in terms of insurance or liability? The main value seems to be in the case of a violent altercation, which is not an event we have had occur yet.

Other topics to consider for next year:

- What steps can we take to prevent an ejected participant from returning? (Ask a lawyer, State Police, is there value in a restraining order, etc)
- Do we need better control on wristbands given the limited number of gate volunteers on shift at any given time?
- Do we need, and can we manage, greater perimeter security?

Board Members, Core Liaisons and Core Leads for 2015

We could use more board members to replace departing members, handle officer roles, and acting as core liaisons. We have had some unsolicited expressions of interest, but we should put together some sort of public message soliciting interest. *[Action: Draft a call for board members --Forest, Sadiya]*

Need new core liaisons for roles held by departing board members. Liasons reassigned for now, reflected in this spreadsheet:

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https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/ccc?key=0At1f56ZO-HcydDktZy1PaG5pOXVuTmMyZkpmMTg3WkE&usp=drive_web#gid=0

Need to update Firefly Handbook to reflect understood responsibilities of Board Liaisons to the Cores. *[Action: Write up a set of basic Board Core Liaison responsibilities --Doug]*

2014 Budget Review

Unable to review budget at this time, without Treasurer Chuck. We need this soon, as we have to submit our financials for Burning Man regional status within 30 days, and we're already outside of that.

Afterburn Report Update

We need someone to take responsibility for Afterburn lead; Ike isn't willing to do it again this year. *[Action: Collaborate on getting this year's Afterburn Report completed and distributed. --Dan, Jered, Ike]*

Request from BRE Decom to use Art Grant Application

Yes; Doug will send it over. *[Action: Send Firefly Art Grant to Eve for BRE --Doug]*

Firefly Radio Loan Policy

Case by case Board Discretion; policy to be developed in the future. Borrowers must be aware that they will be responsible for wear and tear/damages to radios.

Public Forums (Facebook, Email) and Advertising

The Firefly Facebook group has a fair number of posts which are advertising for events with varying levels of connection with our community, ranging from official Decompression to local artist bazaars to promotions for music events at local venues with no burner affiliation.

October Meeting Date

Currently scheduled for Sunday, October 26. Still looking good.