**PNER Convention General Meeting**

**January 14, 2023 Boise, ID**

1. **Call to order**

* 1/14/2023 at 10:57am MST by VP Cassee Terry
* Voting members present: Kristin Grace, Cassee Terry, David Lewis, Terre O’Brennan, Layne Lewis,
* Non-voting members present: Kristy Butler, Jessica Huber, Melissa Laws, David Laws, Beth, Bobbi Walker, Donna Bacon Lacy, Elayne Barclay, Karen Baumgartner, Rebecca, Rory, Max & Darlene Merlich, Lora Bannan, Terri Powell, Deb Porter, Sharalyn Hay, Jody, Jessica Cobbley, Stace & Marlene Moss

1. **Approval of minutes**

* Minutes for the 1/9/23 meeting have been sent out, but have not been approved yet due to everyone currently being at convention.

1. **Reports/General Discussion**

* Vice President – Cassee
* Every State that has 100+ members gets to have an additional rep so we have a few new reps so welcome to the new state representatives!
  + Bring any new items you want discussed to the BoD
* We made it to convention – yay! Huge thank you to everyone that is helping and helped make it happen!
* If you need anything added or changed on the website, get it to Stace & Marlene & they will make it happen.
* Deb is social media
* Handbook is Bobbi Walker
* Andrea Hurn did the convention programs
* Nance is taking care of the vendors
* Melissa Laws organized casino night & it was awesome so huge thank you to her for doing that!
* The tack sale is going well
* BoD accomplishments
  + Convention in Boise, ID
  + Great ride schedule filled up for 2023
* Elections went smoothly
* Three main things the BoD focuses on
  + Trails
  + Education
  + Rides
    - Deb Porter; get on the AERC website within 5 days to log/record trail miles for any trail work done
* We are a huge organization so thank you to all the Ride Managers for everything you do! Thank you to all the ride managers that support the junior riders – it’s huge and we really appreciate it!
* We are always looking for more volunteers, so please reach out to us if you want to volunteer or know someone that would like to!
* Shelly ordered all the awards this year & did a great job, but if you have any good awards ideas for the future, please get in touch with her
* Kristin; keep supporting the Mary & Anna fund – it is for the juniors!
* David Lewis; Get anything you want discussed in tomorrow’s BoD meeting to the BoD asap so it can get added to the agenda!
* BoD meeting tomorrow at 8:00AM Boise, ID time
  + So far on the agenda; CTR, AERC Nationals 2024 & qualifications that will need to be met in 2023 in order to ride at Nationals.
    - Darlene Merlich; AERC Nationals will be August 16th &18th at the Mary &Anna Outback Station location in LaPine, OR
      * There will soon be a live website with all the info on it for Nationals
      * Cassee; we will post links to Darlene’s website on the PNER page as soon as that is available
    - Deb; what activities will be available during Nationals?
      * Darlene; we have lots of committees working on all that & it will all be updated on the website
    - Karen; questions about qualifications for Nationals
      * Cassee; it is all posted so we will not discuss that here at this time
        + Sharalyn; will post it on PNER
        + Marlene will create it
  + David Lewis; I’d like to see if we can solicit questions at this time for the BoD meeting tomorrow AM
    - Kristin; either way, we don’t have to make any decisions tomorrow
    - There was some discussion about the CTR issue
  + Sharalyn; the qualifications required for Nationals are up now on the PNER website
* Deb Porter; the newsletter in February will be the last one for members who have not renewed yet, so get your membership renewed asap if you want to get your newsletter after the February one goes out!
* Bobbi Walker; the handbook will be mailed out to you only if you are a member now. Please get renewed to help save PNER funds so the handbooks can be printed and shipped in bulk as printing and shipping costs are going up!
  + Terri; has there been any ideas or discussion about making the handbook digital?
    - Kristin; many, many times, but if it’s put up on the website then the website would have to be reconstructed with a members only portal & that brings up a whole another can of worms
* LuAnn; I have a sheet with the CTR info on it at my vendor booth if anyone would like one
* Cassee; Convention next year will be January 18-21 at Embassy Suites in Portland.
  + Everything is all set up and scheduled!
* Deb Porter; Get ride flyers to Bobbi asap so they can go in the handbook and February newsletter!
* Cassee; I need feed-back on what you’d like to see at convention next year & what people want e.g. it seems like casino night was a big hit, do we want to do that again next year, does anyone have any other ideas of things they want?

1. **Future Meeting dates**

* 1/15/23 @ 8:00AM

1. **Adjournment**

* Meeting adjourned at 11:23am MST

Respectfully, kb/jh