

## Saskatoon Trail Alliance AGM

December 3rd 2020

Call to order 7:07 PM

Agenda approved by Spencer Cruikshank and Garth Patterson.

Agenda includes 2019 minutes, Financial statements and bylaws presented

Craig De Gier and Jason J. approve 2019 minutes

### Presidents report

2020 has been hard on trail use clubs as there have been a lack of event fundraising and maintenance events. Though 2020 was tough, trail use has been rediscovered by the public. Some of the advantageous actions by the STA board include:

The name rebranding represents trail users alike, not only mountain bikers, which we have already seen an increase. 87 members in 2020, expected increase in membership for 2021.

All board members have been trained through IMBA for trail sustainability, design and maintenance.

Currently working through agreements with the MVA and City of Saskatoon to submit maintenance plans.

Our board has successfully submitted and actualized maintenance days in September of 2020; 6 Kilometers maintained and 30 volunteers, and will continue to do so in 2021 with the continued support of MVA and City of Saskatoon

### Presidents Report Q and A

Hours and locations?

With 59 hours of maintenance, west side trails (Slitherine/forest of fun), Chads and Southerland beach had the majority of the hours.

Why don't we count black strap?

Black strap maintenance is not directly associated with the STA, but a pilot group under the STA's insurance. As per next year we can split our report and include the affiliates in our numbers.

#### Treasury report

The STA finished the fiscal year in a positive position. Revenue memberships are up. The Kinsmen club grant as well as the Tool grant has proven prosperous to set us up for a positive 2021.

The STA will put expense into bringing in IMBA again for training and continuing to educate in 2021 as we did in 2020.

There will be a new accounting program the STA is looking into which will be cloud based. All board members will be able to view the financials. This new system will make the treasury position transferrable to any future member of the STA Treasury.

#### Financials

Current year, up on growth

Received Kinsmen Grant, Trailforks and corporate contributions

Contracting services, Bringing in IMBA

Good asset balance

Good position for long term asset cash flow statement

Finished with receivables

Treasure/Financial Q and A

No questions or comments from audience

Ryan Graff added note – One grant pending but cannot be used in 2020 past fiscal year

#### New Business

Bylaws need approval, the STA approves no less than 2 MAL's at last year's AGM, Cathy H and Chris G approve bylaws

Motion to waive audit, Jeff H and Spencer C motion to waive audit

## Advisory committee

The STA would like to implement an advisory committee from a representative from a trail use official club regarding a say from that club and activities specific needs and requirements. This person will have no voting rights within the board but will advise appropriately as to his or her club's input.

The STA will have details regarding positions available at a later date.

## 2021 Goals

Merchandise and clothing, The STA has a clothing vendor ready to commence, further details and ordering will commence once now board is established. Clothing will be provided on an as needed basis

Generalized agreement with MVA, The STA would like blanket permission to maintain at will and when situations arise. The STA is currently working with MVA and City of Saskatoon towards this agreement.

The STA would like to encourage running groups to feel encouraged and invited to join running committee

## 2021 Goals Q and A

Signage? MVA is interested in signage

Sustainability of trails a part of our agreement? Discussions have been had but not yet presented. The STA would like to have a similar agreement to that of Edmonton Alberta's sustainability agreement.

Concerns regarding spring runoff and winter thaw? Some members of the STA would like to see larger permanent signs regarding the caution and detriment of use on trails while spring runoff. The STA will take this under advisement at this time

## Tool Purchase

Pending grant approvals to purchase tools, The STA would like to purchase club tools for general maintenance. Pending purchases are " Out of Stock", local suppliers may acquire stock "short term"

## Tool Purchase Q and A

Can the STA advertise on a web presence to help the alliance with new and gently used tools? The STA will take this under advisement at this time.

Will the STA ever expand to building a “Skills area”?

Perhaps someday under another insurance umbrella, but for not the insurance does not cover “bike parks”.

Member of STA would like to remind the STA to be mindful of tool purchases vs people available to use tools and the skills and know-how

Elections

Positions available and tasks for elections, any member of the STA

Vice President – Organizing, approving and monitoring club activity

Treasurer – Incoming and outgoing financial responsibility

MAL – Social events and other duties

MAL –Event and grant coordinator

Voting procession

VP: Spencer C nominated by Craig DG, Second by Chris G

Spencer c accepts position

Treasurer: Craig De Gier nominated by Spencer C, Alexis M seconds

Craig DG accepts position

MAL: Hemant N nominated by Chris G, Second by Spencer Cruikshank

Hemant Naidu accepts position

MAL: Corey Jackson nominated by himself, Spencer Cruikshank seconds

Corey J accepts position

Motion to adjourn AGM at 8:22 pm

Craig De Gier motions, Spencer Cruikshank seconds

