





DRAFT MINUTES

of

THE ARIZONA STATE COMMITTEE ON TRAILS

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THE ARIZONA STATE PARKS AND TRAILS

OCTOBER 31, 2023

Meeting Location: Arizona State Parks Trails office located at 1110 W Washington St, Suite 100, Phoenix, AZ 85007. Charles Eatherly Conference Room Members Present: Kevin Adams, Shannon Adams, Hezekiah Allen, Justin Inglis, Cynthia Nemeth, Mary Van Rooy, Bev Showalter, Linda Slay, Bob Stinson Members Present (in-person): Shannon Adams Members Absent: Mare Czinar, Paul King, Tammy Pike, James Terlep ASPT Staff Present: Mickey Rogers, Jeff Schmidt, Alec Wilcox, Juan Colorado-Alvarez

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Bob Stinson of the Arizona State Committee on Trails (ASCOT), called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Bob Stinson led Committee members in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. MEMBER ROLL CALL

Jeff Schmidt conducted member roll call.

D. AGENDA ITEMS

1. Consideration of Action to Approve Minutes of the March 28, 2023 ASCOT Meeting. Bev Showalter moved to approve the minutes from the March 28, 2023 meeting. Hezekiah Allen seconded the motion.

Kevin Adams approved. Shannon Adams approved. Hezekiah Allen approved. Mare Czinar absent. Justin Inglis approved. Paul King absent. Cynthia Nemeth approved. Tammy Pike absent. Mary Van Rooy approved. Bev Showalter approved. Linda Slay approved. Bob Stinson approved. James Terlep absent. The motion passed.

2. New Member Introductions.

On May 18, 2023, Shannon Adams and James Terlep were recommended for inclusion to ASCOT. Member Mary Van Rooy will be termed out and her replacement will be considered. She will be recognized at a future meeting for her contributions to the committee.

Shannon Adams introduced herself to the Committee. Shannon is a 5th generation Arizonan. She is the Grants coordinator for the City of Show Low where she resides.

3. ASCOT Will Consider and May Take Action on A Recommendation to the Arizona State Parks Board to Approve, Modify, Or Deny Funding for The Submitted 2024 Recreational Trails Program Safety and Environmental Education Grant Application(s).

Bev Showalter moved to approve the Verde Search and Rescue Posse, Search and Rescue Posse Supplies and Equipment Project, Kartchner Caverns State Park, Kartchner Caverns School Field Trips Project, and the Arizona Trail Association, Arizona Trail Map Brochure Project. Linda Slay seconded the motion.

Kevin Adams approved. Shannon Adams approved. Hezekiah Allen approved. Mare Czinar absent. Justin Inglis approved. Paul King absent. Cynthia Nemeth approved. Tammy Pike absent. Mary Van Rooy approved. Bev Showalter approved. Linda Slay approved. Bob Stinson approved. James Terlep absent. The motion passed.

4. ASCOT Will Consider and May Take Action on A Recommendation to the Arizona State Parks Board to Approve, Modify, Or Deny Funding for The Submitted 2024 Heritage Fund Non-Motorized Grant Application(s).

Cynthia Nemeth moved to approve the City of Sierra Vista, Garden Canyon Wash Phase III Restroom Project, the Prescott Mountain Bike Alliance, Bean Peaks Gravity Flow Trail System, the Hawes Trail Alliance, Red Mountain Parking Lot Improvement Project, and the Town of Snowflake, Cottonwood Wash Trail Project. Kevin Adams seconded the motion.

Kevin Adams approved. Shannon Adams approved. Hezekiah Allen approved. Mare Czinar absent. Justin Inglis approved. Paul King absent. Cynthia Nemeth approved. Tammy Pike absent. Mary Van Rooy approved. Bev Showalter approved. Linda Slay approved. Bob Stinson approved. James Terlep absent. The motion passed. Unanimous approval.

5. Statewide Trail System.

Jeff Schmidt provided members with background on the Statewide Trail System. Members discussed potential changes to the current Arizona Premier Trails System.

6. Coalition of Recreational Trails Annual Achievement Awards.

Jeff Schmidt discussed the Coalition of Recreational Trails Annual Achievement Awards nomination requirements.

7. Arizona State Parks 2025 Statewide Trails Plan.

Dawn Collins provided an update on the 2025 Statewide Trails Plan.

E. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Bev Showalter recommended adding a discussion on the State Land Department to a future meeting agenda.

F. CURRENT EVENTS

Members and staff discussed current events.

G. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

No members of the public requested to speak.

H. FUTURE MEETING DATES

Recommendation for quarterly meetings. Jan, April, July, October. This date is subject to change. There will be no November AORCC meeting since there will be no quorum.

I. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:46 a.m.