Sierra Freepackers Meeting Notes – June 18, 2024

In Attendance: Patricia Vallentyne, Gloria Garland, Teri Cook, Bob James, Marliss Rohrer, Denise Robinson, Robbie Robinson, Lee Smith, Sharon Seslowe, John Wagoner, and Laurie Wagoner.

Meeting Called to Order: Patricia V. called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM.

Minutes:

• Motion to approve the minutes from May 2024 was made by Laurie Wagoner and seconded by John Wagoner. The minutes passed unanimously with minor corrections.

Reports:

Membership:

• Welcome to our two new unit members, Beth Kellner and Bill King.

Treasurer Report:

• Laurie Wagoner presented the beginning and ending balance.

Education:

• Denise R. suggested preparing for the summer season and provided information on the Wilderness Rider refresher. RSVP for training is due by 7/1/24. Classes are planned for 7/12 to 7/14. Denise will be working with the state education program.

Public Lands:

Patricia reports that Diana Martin is our new SNF contact for volunteer work projects. We should text and cc her with any work project updates. Diana.Martin@usda.gov

• Unfinished Business:

Fundraising:

• The unit has determined that a trail trials fundraiser is not feasible within the unit's current schedule and abilities. An alternative fundraiser in the form of a raffle ride at Hensley Lake on January 1, 2025, is a better option. More unit discussions, volunteers, and planning are needed. The unit is encouraged to start approaching local vendors and other contributors for raffle items. Lee suggested we have a big item that we buy at cost to raffle.

Trail Work Planning and Projects:

- In June, Denise R. set up fences and panels at Clover Meadow. She reports that the campground should be open soon.
- Snow Play Area Trail Work: In June 14-unit members cleared trails of debris, White Thorne, and removed barbed wire.

- Annual Work/Camping Trip: A Clover Meadow group campout and work party was suggested for July 31 to August 5. Patricia will send out an email for signups.
- Radios: The unit discussed, and a motion was made and approved to purchase of a set of radios.

Agenda Items for Next Meeting:

• Agenda items are requested for the next meeting.

Next Meeting: July 16, 2024, at 49700 Road 426, Crane Valley Acupuncture @ 6:30 PM. (Meeting location and date changed)

Meeting Adjourned: 7:38 PM