

## **Sierra Freepackers Meeting Notes – May 21, 2024**

**In Attendance:** Patricia Vallentyne, Gloria Garland, Denise Robinson, Robbie Robinson, Wendy Brown, Kevin Brown, Sharon Seslowe, and Kelli Land.

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

### **Minutes:**

- Motion to approve the minutes from April 2024 was made by Denise R. and seconded by Wendy B. The minutes passed unanimously with minor corrections.

### **Reports:**

#### **Membership:**

- Welcome to our two new unit members, Ali Jean and Michael Huddleston.

#### **Treasurer Report:**

- To be presented at the next meeting.

#### **Education:**

- Denise R. suggests preparing for the summer season and provided information on how to acquire a fire permit from the forest service website.

#### **Public Lands:**

- Patricia has nothing to report. She is working with the new unit mule.

#### **Unfinished Business:**

- **October Fundraising:** Gloria spoke with Kathy Pettit. The projected date is 9/14/2024. Obstacles, pricing, drug testing, and additional fundraising features were discussed. Gloria will continue the process. More unit discussions, volunteers, and planning are needed. Possible alternative venue locations have been suggested.
- **Kid's Day Report:** Terri C. and Patricia V. hosted the unit's LNT booth at the Coarsegold Rodeo Grounds featuring their horse and mule. Approximately 750 children attended.
- **Trail Work Planning:** Patty McCartney reported downed trees on the Bass Lake trail system Grizzly trail at Snowplay Area.
- **Chainsaw, Crosscut, and First Aid Training:** Only a first aid class is available at this time.

- **Summer Reading Program:** We will conduct a demonstration on June 26 at the Oakhurst Library. Volunteers with youth cards are needed.
- **LNT Outreach:** Planned for Memorial Day weekend at the Snow Play area.
- **Annual Work/Camping Trip:** Denise proposed Granite Creek for trail work in late July to early August.
- **60th Anniversary of the Wilderness Act:** Denise R. hosted the unit booth at the event held at River Park in Fresno.

**Agenda Items for Next Meeting:**

- Agenda items are requested for the next meeting.

**Next Meeting:** June 18, 2024

**Meeting Adjourned:** 7:33 PM