GCWG Board Meeting Minutes- April 7, 2024

Where: HTA meeting room When: 6:00 P.M-7:15 P.M.

Present: Gary Piper (President), Andy Borek (Vice President), Toni Wujek (Treasurer), Kaylee Borek (new Board member,

Beth Collins (Board member) Erica Bean (HTA) Al Rothenbach

(member)

Matters of Business:

- 1. New Member Kaylee Borek was nominated and approved by the Board to serve the remainder of John Hughes' term.
- 2. <u>Minutes -</u> Last month meeting minutes were unanimously approved upon a motion by Beth, seconded by Andy.
- 3. <u>Treasurer's Report-</u> Toni presented the Treasurer's report:

Prior balance \$5,1121.40,

Membership receipts \$210

Current balance \$5,331.40

(It was noted that \$1000 has been pledged to the Forest Service for Wilderness signs. Also, GCWG has received \$363.61 and placed in a special fund for John Hughes memorial and has about \$400 more coming into that fund.)

Summer Plans

4. Cabin Hosting-DATES:

Monarch Cabin. Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday, start May 22nd. <u>Junco Cabin</u>. Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday, start June 24th. We also cover Holidays.

NOTE: These are the days that GCWG has committed to host. GCWG members may sign up for other dates that they would like to volunteer.

- 5.CABIN HOSTING SIGN-UP. There was a long discussion on whether to use our sign-up system or use HTA's Sign-Up Genius Premium. For the Spring meeting we will use our traditional paper calendars to sign- up for Cabin hosting. GREAT NEWS: Our President Gary Piper is offering a photographic printed panorama of Byers Peak to be raffled off at the Summer Picnic (you don't have to be present to win). Members will receive a ticket for each volunteer day that they sign-up for and complete.
- 5. Trail Ambassador- VERY IMPORTANT. We want to increase our contact with Forest visitors beyond our Cabin contacts to include interfacing with visitors on our many beautiful trails. Members are encouraged to hike trails and interact with visitors. The Forest Service would especially like for us to hike on weekends in cooperation with Katie Oliver, the Wilderness Ranger, so that GCWG would cover the areas that she is not patrolling. This will give greater coverage of the Wilderness areas.
- 6. <u>Trail Maintenance</u>-Andy Borek will coordinate with Sean Burke from HTA on maintenance projects and he will schedule the maintenance on our two adopted trails-Columbine Lake Trail and Vasquez Peak Trail.
- 7. MORE PUBLIC EVENTS- Art Affair, Music in the Park Tent, and first time ever, HOT DOG/LUNCH SALES AT ACE HARDWARE GRANBY on July 6th. We will need at least 4 people to sign up to cook, etc, and furnish information about our group, the forests, other information about the area and, of course, Leave No Trace. Sign up at Spring Meeting.
- 8. Discussion on what we can do to help new members who join our organization. Holly Whitten has contacted new members

and we need more mentors or buddy's for new or present members who may want to volunteer with other members.

8. Board Composition: We thank Toni and Ingrid for their dedicated service on the Board. We will need to nominate and vote for 2 new members for the Board. We will need a Board Member to take over the job of Treasurer. If anyone is interested please call Gary Piper. The Treasurer and President will need to fill out papers to sign checks.

9. Dates to Remember:

April 28 Spring Meeting

May 18 Ambassador training at the Ranger District Office

May 21 Monarch Cabin orientation

May 22 Monarch Cabin 1st day of hosting

June 1 Ambassador Training make-up date

June 23 Junco Cabin 1st day of hosting (weather permitting)

July 6 Hot Dogs at Granby Ace Hardware

July (last week TBD) Weed eradication at Monarch

August 11 GCWG Picnic and Anniversary Celebration of 60th Anniversary of Public Lands Day (Public will be invited)

Motion to adjourn made by Andy, seconded Beth. Unanimously passed 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Beth Collins (acting secretary)