

Ranger Foundation  
Board Meeting Minutes  
01/06/2022  
Video Conference Call

**I. Call to Order** by President Mike Lynch (Video Conference Call) 1800 hrs.

Roll Call:

Members Present: Mike Lynch, President; Jeff Ohlfs (1<sup>st</sup>. Vice. President); Ann Meneguzzi (2<sup>nd</sup>. Vice President) Miles Standish (Secretary) and Tom Bernardo (Treasurer). All visible by Zoom except for Ann Meneguzzi.

**II. Minutes Approval**

**MOTION** – Ann Meneguzzi

To approve the minutes as submitted.

**MOTION CARRIES** unanimously

**III Confirming grants made by email.**

1. Costa Rica ranger Arroyo Rojas

**MOTION** – Tom Bernardo

To confirm the grant made 11/30/21 to the family of Arroyo Rojas

**MOTION CARRIES** unanimously

**IV Officer Reports**

1. President – Mike Lynch

All items are on the agenda

2. 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President – Jeff Ohlfs

All items are on the agenda

3. 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President – Ann Meneguzzi

No report

4. Treasurer – Tom Bernardo

- Report submitted earlier.

- Pink Bear amount reduced to \$325

Mike reported that CSPRA had donated \$250 and the Anniversary Committee made up the difference (\$450).

- Vic Marris donated \$1,000

5. Secretary – Miles Standish

Requested an addition to the agenda under Old Business on By-law changes.

## V. Active Projects

1. Disaster Relief – Tom Bernardo
2. Line of Duty Death grants – Ohlfs & Bernardo  
No new grants.
3. Baker to Vegas Run – Tom Bernardo  
A run is being planned for 2022.
4. Pink Bear Project – Mike Lynch  
A written report already submitted. Total \$15,520 donated since 2018.
5. World Ranger Day promotion – Mike Lynch  
Mike stated that he would put a report out to be included in the WAVE and hopefully the DPR weekly digest and ANPR's newsletter.
6. World Ranger Day (2022) – Jeff Ohlfs.  
Jeff suggested that a country be picked as a showpiece and then the Foundation and the country support bringing in a ranger from the country. Mike suggested Peru. Jeff suggested either Panama or Columbia. Discussion followed.  
The priority Jeff will try will be Panama, Peru then Columbia.

### **MOTION – Jeff Ohlfs**

To approve the concept of supporting a Latin American ranger to attend World Ranger Day. Depending on support from the corresponding cottage in San Diego, the priority will be Panama Peru and lastly Columbia.

**MOTIONS CARRIES** – unanimously

### **FIRST MOTION – Jeff Ohlfs**

To approve up to \$2,100.00 for world Ranger Day. \$500 will come from the Foundation and \$500 from CSPRA. The remaining \$1,100 will be earmarked for travel and incidentals for the designated Latin American ranger to be raised by donation. Whatever can't be raised by donation the Foundation will cover.

### **MOTION TO AMEND – Miles Standish**

To amend the first motion by Jeff to approve up to \$2,500 for World Ranger Day.

**MOTION CARRIES** – unanimously

### **FIRST MOTION AS AMENDED CARRIES -- unanimously**

7. World Ranger Congress – Ohlfs & Lynch  
It appears that the plans for the next World Ranger Congress in the Azores in 2023 is going forward. Mike Lynch asked the Board if we want to support any Latin American rangers. Discussion followed.  
Mike said he would work with Tom to work up a ballpark figure on how much it would take to support 5 Latin American rangers to go to the World Congress in 2023. Past support suggests that it will cost about \$15,000.

8. COVID-19 grants – Tom Bernardo & Mike Lynch  
Nothing new.
9. Equipment Grants  
No new requests. Tom report that there is \$1,960 left in the fund.
10. Basic Visitor Service Training Grant activity  
Tom reported that there is \$100 left in the budget from the last group and there is a group going through the training at present.

## **VI Unfinished Old Business**

- A. Ranger Foundation Website – Mike Lynch  
Mike reported a long conversation with Jeff Price and the upshot is that they agreed to set a date and time to go through the website line by line. No date was set. Jeff Ohlfs said that our present site doesn't come up at the top of the list when the Ranger Foundation's name is searched. Mike stated that he would have another conversation with Jeff Price.
- B. Brochure Development – Mike Lynch  
Still in development.
- C. By-laws Amendment  
Three versions were sent out by Mike.

### **MOTION – Jeff Ohlfs**

To accept the Standish version for Section 1 and to accept the Ohlfs version for Section 6.

#### Article 6. Officers & Directors

##### SECTION 1. Board of Directors

The Foundation Board of Directors shall be made up of five members, appointed every two years in even numbered years by January 31 by the ~~Board of Directors of the California State Park Rangers Association~~ **Foundation's Board of Directors**. Vacancies on the Foundation board, occurring before the two-year term is concluded, shall be filled as specified in section 6.

##### SECTION 6. Vacancies

The vacancy of a director position shall be filled in the same manner as specified in Section 1 If the number of members of the Board of directors, then in office is less than a quorum, the remaining members of the board of directors may fill a single vacancy by unanimous ~~written~~ consent.

**MOTION CARRIES** – unanimously

## **VII New Business**

1. IRF Support for IRF Membership dues in Latin American – Mike Lynch  
Mike reported that the IRF is going to require dues from each association.  
Mike reported that he is going to personally pay the dues (\$200) for each of the Latin American ranger associations.

### **MOTION – Jeff Ohlfs. Second – Miles Standish**

The Ranger Foundation may consider paying for Latin American ranger associations IRF dues on a case-by-case basis provided funding is available.

### **MOTION CARRIES (4-1-0)**

2. Election of Directors

### **MOTION – Jeff Ohlfs. Second – Miles Standish**

To re-appoint the current directors to their present office.

### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

Tom Bernardo – Aye  
Mike Lynch – Yes  
Ann Meneguzzi – Yes  
Jeff Ohlfs – Aye  
Miles Standish – Yes

3. Election of Officers

### **MOTION – Miles Standish. Second – Jeff Ohlfs**

### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

Tom Bernardo – Aye  
Mike Lynch – Yes  
Ann Meneguzzi – Yes  
Jeff Ohlfs – Aye  
Miles Standish – Yes

4. Dennis Imhoff Donation – Tom Bernardo

Dennis donated \$1,500 a few months ago for wildfire relief in the name of his late wife Christine. CSPRA has a provision in their by-laws that say that anyone who donates \$1,000 to the Foundation is eligible to become a Benefactor member. The question is how the donation is to be listed. Ann will write a letter to Dennis to ask him how he wants the donation listed.

**VIII Announcements**

None.

**IX Next Board Meetings**

1. April 7, 2022
2. July 7, 2022
3. October 6, 2022

**X Adjournment. 1948 hrs.**