

June 10, 2008

Trader's Coffee and Tea

Meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm.

In attendance are; Sergio Antillon, Bill Andrews, Tom Jenkins, Brock Benson, Mark Mathews, Billy Shepherd and Tyler Price

Minutes of the last board meeting were amended and approved. Minutes were amended to present Dave Praither at Mesa Theater and Club with a thank you gift for his support. Motion was made to approved and seconded. Motion carried.

Discussion was turned to drink vouchers issued at Quarterly Meeting and Definitions night. Clarification on the process of what happened, the email sent out beforehand, and what the overall cost to the group was for the night. It was discussed in the email that we needed an incentive to be a member of Western Slope Bears.

Billy gave the financial report. At this time we have \$348.45 in the bank and a current roster of 22 members.

Bill informed those present that the store page on the website had been removed. There had been numerous price increases and shipping was increasing as well.

Sergio then presented the board with a less expensive alternative for t-shirts with logos. He would have some made up for sale for Pride weekend. Mark Mathews suggested that Office Max can do heat transfers as well as even a less expensive way of producing t-shirts.

Tom Jenkins asked whether the WSB logo was trademarked, the possibility of the logo appearing elsewhere and on items not approved by the board. Bill informed the board that trademarking a logo is a minimum of \$500.00. At this time the group is not large enough to warrant such legal protection.

Discussion then turned towards the Pride Picnic and the Pride Party.

Brock said that DJ D from the Utah Bear Alliance will open the party and dj from 9-11. He will be playing Top 40 and requests. Brock will dj from 11 on. Live dancers will also be there. It was also discussed whether or not to let the drag queens do any numbers.

Dave Praither had asked for a tax ID. Billy said that Western Equality was using Western Colorado Congress' tax ID number. It was suggested we just split the cost outright with Western Equality.

\$750 for the entire night. Sergio brought up the fact that we would need a bank for the change drawer.

Admission prices were finalized as \$10 per person, \$15 per couple, \$5 for WSB members.

Rick Beaty will handle signage for the door. There are posters and flyers up and down Main Street.

Sergio said we should have announcements during the dance such as thank you's for those who supported and helped us. Brock said he would make the announcements as long as he had something to refer to. Bill will get him a "script".

Sergio and Billy will run the ticket booth for the first two thirds of the night, Bill will take the last shift and Tom will be the runner.

Sergio informed everyone that the July coffee will be at the Coffee Studio on Patterson Road on July 20<sup>th</sup>, regular time.

Discussion then turned towards the Pride Picnic at Hawthorne Park this Saturday. Sergio said he will have two five gallon containers of iced tea. We will have a covered booth, iced tead, ice, cups. Table with t-shirts and coffee for sale.

Bill asked whether or not the coffee had been paid for yet through Trader's. Sergio said not yet. Billy reminded everyone to keep their receipts. Once we have built up enough in the account we need to start reimbursements.

Sergio brought up the calendar for July and August. He suggested that we have just a WSB dinner soon, whether it be a potluck or we go out function. Possibly a potluck in Montrose and do a Drive-In-Night. July 25<sup>th</sup> was tentatively scheduled.

Sergio said we need to get nominations for new name for our Bear Night. Bill said he would handle the emails in regards to the upcoming election and new name.

Sergio said Johnny is having a coffee night in Montrose on July 13<sup>th</sup>. He also reminded everyone that we have a strong commitment at this time to host a cocktail party at Octobearfest in Denver.

The floor was then opened up for discussion. Tyler Price had some positive comments about Western Slope Bears and that it was a good thing for the community. Suggested we have a constitution or a vision statement.

Brock said he would check with Dave as far as what was open for a bar night in July.

Board meeting for July was moved to July 8<sup>th</sup> due to the Independence Holiday.

Regular meeting was adjourned at 7:15pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Bill Andrews  
Secretary