| **Voting Members** | **Present** | **Absent** |  | **Present** | **Absent** |
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| Brian Murphy - Chairman | X |  | Kim Doud – Member |  | X |
| Ken Hill - Vice Chair | X |  | Christna Garman | X |  |
| Justin Powless - Member |  | X | Matt Graves - Member |  | X |
| Mike Campagna - Treasurer |  | X | ED McKelvey - Member | X |  |
| Christina Casanova - Secretary | X |  |  |  |  |

|  |  | **Agenda Item** | **Discussion** | **Voting** | **Action Item** |
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| **Opening of Chapter Meeting/ Roll Call:** An open board meeting for WVTA was called to order at 6:05 PM on September 11, on the outside patio of Saddle Mountain Brewery. The Secretary was present. Brian Murphy, WVTA Chair, confirmed that delegates with voting rights were in attendance and a quorum was present.  **Approval Of Minutes.** The meeting minutes of the previous meeting held on May 7, 2024 were approved with corrections. | | | | | |
| 6:05 – 6:13 PM | I. | Financial Update   1. Total Funds on hand. 2. Review updated funds disbursement proposal. 3. Trail Day Swag | Financial update.  Balance report for September 11,2024:  Current balance on- hand: $23, 833  Income to-date: $1, 266  Expenses to-date $2,880 this includes insurance, cultural resource study, and tools.  Upcoming Insurance and Expenditures  - Director and Officer insurance paid for the year ($625).  - Trailer registration due ($20).  - Approval for $400 for trail day swag.  - Discussion on trailer storage: $50/month for inside storage approved. | **Motion:** B. Murphy motioned to approve financial report as written. All members were in favor.  **Motion:** J. Powles motioned to approve the disbursement. All members were in favor. | Apply for MBAA grants focusing on Trail 29. B. Murphy |
| 6:13 – 6:18 PM | II. | Upcoming Events | Dawn to Dusk Beer Tent: Scheduled for December 14th. Beer donations (3- kegs) have been secured through Saddle Mountain Brewery. Volunteers are need to work the tent needed. Ken Hill is the lead on the event.  Take a Kid Mountain Biking Day: Looking for someone to organize. Christina Garman and Christina Casanova will take the lead on planning the event for 2025. Dates TBD. A project plan will be assembled and sent to the board for approval. |  | Organize volunteers for Dawn to Dusk – K. Hill  Organize the Take a Kid Mountain Biking Day. C. Garman & C. Casanova |
| 6:18 – 6:35 PM | III. | Maricopa Parks Update (Brian) | Trace Rios and Golf Course: Verbal agreement for trail realignment and building Trail 2-9 is in place. However  the building of the trail has stalled, the mapping has stalled. Trails affected – Rainbow & Quail.  Master Plan: Importance of having trails on the master plan for future development. Proposal to form a committee to present ideas to Maricopa County Parks.   * Buckeye Park * White Tanks * Estrella Regional   B. Murphy passed out a signup sheet to form a working group for developing proposals for the master plan  E. McKelvey proposed initial meeting via zoom to put together the group and share ideas. |  | Form a committee to propose trail ideas to Maricopa County Parks. E. McKelvey |
| 6:35 – 6:55 PM | IV. | Estrella Mountain Ranch Trail Committee | Estrella Mountain Ranch Trail Committee (EMRTC) has approach WVTA asking if WMRTC insurance could be presumed under WVTA insurance. EMRTC is losing their insurance coverage from EMR HOA as much of the work is not on HOA property, but on the private land. Discussions took place  Regarding the history of trail building and current issues with new land manager.  - Discussion on liability and insurance issues.  - Discussion took place regarding EMRTC proposal in starting their own chapter IMBA Chapter. |  | B. Murphy to send Waiver to Henry |
| 6:55 – 7:15 PM | V. | Pyramid Peak and North Valley Update | There have been both wins and setbacks in the efforts surrounding Pyramid Peak and Paloma Trail. The new mayor of Peoria has removed all funding previously allocated for trail development in the area. Pyramid Peak is situated on State Trust land, which is scheduled to go up for auction in 2026. There are plans to build a community in the area similar in size to Anthem.  Ed has made a valuable connection with the land manager for the region. Meanwhile, the City of Phoenix has identified specific areas within the space that they wish to preserve. The city is actively working to establish easements to protect these areas and designate trailheads. Collaboration with the city and landscape developers will be critical for ensuring these preservation efforts succeed, but navigating these relationships has been challenging. It was noted that once the land is purchased, its designations will already be determined, making proactive engagement essential.   * Discussion on the importance of preserving trails in Pyramid Peak amidst development plans. * Collaboration with landscape architects and developers to integrate trail preservation into future designs. |  | Attend community meetings and advocate for trail preservation. E. McKelvey |
| 7:15 – 7:20 PM | VI. | Trail Days and Volunteer Opportunities | WVTA will be working on their 2025 trail days. Trail days typically coincide with MBAA races.  R. Wilson from Estrella would like to host a trail day,  There was a call out for experienced trail leaders to assist during trail days. |  | Schedule and promote upcoming WVTA trail days. B. Murphy |
| 7:20 – 7:25 | VII. | WVTA Board Member Changes | Justin Powless is stepping down from the board.  - Tina nominated and approved to join the board. | Motion: B. Murphy motioned to nominate Christina Garman to the board. All members were in favor. |  |
|  |  | Follow-up Items | - Schedule a quieter venue for the next meeting.  - Update and maintain a calendar of events on the website and social media.  - Ensure all members are informed about upcoming meetings and events through emails and social media. |  |  |
| 7:3 PM |  | Adjourn | | | |
| **Next Meeting to take place: December 12th, 2025.** | | | | | |