

Minutes of General TRACKS Meeting at Darbi's Cafe, Pinetop, AZ October 14, 2023

- 1) Lynn Krigbaum, V.P., called meeting to order at 8AM in lieu of Steve Dobbs.
- 2) No new members nor guests present. 13 people in attendance.
- 3) Previous minutes reviewed from September 9th, 2023. Motion by Arlene Nelson to approve, second by Heather Steiner, All in favor.
- 4) Old Business:
 - a) Tour of the White Mountains Bike race was a success. 1000 participants, 1200 registered. John Vuolo spoke of the ramp rollover gates that were well received by the riders and riders had no issues with them. The weather was perfect. T-shirts were great. Cathy Purvis spoke of the mobility challenged riders that were able to participate as well. There were 9 handicapped entries. Heather Steiner expressed how efficient the check-ins were for the registrants.
 - b) The Mountain Bike Assn. of AZ had an Enduro race 3 weeks prior which was successful and a \$500 donation was given to TRACKS.
 - c) Blue Ridge mastication will be finished in 2 weeks.
 - d) Fall Festival Report: Lynn spoke of volunteers showing up to man the TRACKS / WM Nature Center and Audubon booth. There were many visitors at Charlie Clark's Orchard over the 3 days. Maps were given out and TRACKS received \$280 in donations. Arlene Nelson spoke of the Fall Festival Parade. 25 participants and the trailer was well decorated by volunteers. The parade lasted 1.5 hours.
- 5) New Business: TRACKS annual donation letter will be sent out listing TRACKS accomplishments for 2023.
- 6) Announcements:
 - a) Cathy Purvis told members that Sue Sitko will be presenting her photos of her trip to Uganda on November 4th at the Nature Center.
 - b) Jim Snitzer announced that the Raptor Training sessions held daily from 3 to 4:30PM will not happen in November due to the raptors being transferred to the new building and need November for retraining and getting accustomed to their new environment.
 - c) There will be a chili cookoff at Mountain Meadow October 24th. There will be no Trunk or Treat this year. There will be different activities for the children of different age groups.
 - d) Cathy Purvis spoke of the "Talk of the Town" publication by Pinetop-Lakeside. She also will lead anyone for a walk around Woodland Lake to view the eclipse of the sun. They will meet at the fishing dock. TRACKS is also contributing painted rocks to add to "Sadie the Snake" by the trail starting at the green bridge.
 - e) A reminder that December 9th General Meeting will be at Jim Snitzer's at 11AM – Potluck. Directions are in the Newsletter.
 - f) Cathy Purvis introduced Rosie Gonzales who participated in a special wilderness Yoga event and raised \$160 for a TRACKS donation.

Next General meeting is November 11th (Veterans Day) at Darbi's Cafe at 8AM

Meeting adjourned at 8:20AM

Submitted by Kay Alderton, Secretary/Board Member