

Trail Mix Committee Minutes
Tuesday, May 12, 2020
Held via conference call only
APPROVED July 14 2020

Present: Paul Spencer, Justin Ricks, Denise Ricks, Kya Marienfeld, Katie Stevens, Stephen Schultz, Maddie Logowitz, Cory Shurtleff, Aaron Lindberg

Absent: Marc Thomas, Kirsten Petersen, Brett Sutteer, Zacharia Levine, Keri Fransden, Scott Escott, Sharon Hogan, Tyson Swasey, Evan Clapper, Kirsten Peterson, Kim Schappert, Brian Murdock

Guests:

Minutes: Minutes were not reviewed this meeting.

Trail Mix Business: A vote was held to approve a (previously sent) letter of support for a RTP grant that GCATT has applied for. Passed unanimously.

The BLM has an open comment period on the use of e-bikes on BLM land. It was generally felt that a letter from Trail Mix would be good; many suggestions for content were made. A vote was held for Chair to draft a letter that would be reviewed and approved at the June meeting; passed unanimously. Justin raised concerns over some signage on Trail Mix trails and web presence about "bike" trails, when in fact trail runners and hikers are not only legally allowed, but welcomed. The most recent signage that has been installed generally uses the "non-motorized use" wording; it was agreed that future wording will be inclusive, and that older signs will get new wording when they are replaced. Given current funding levels and the general shutdown this will take a while to implement. Justin agreed to work on wording changes for the Trail Mix / GCATT web pages, and work with DiscoverMoab / Travel Council to add a "Trail Running" section of their web site as well as improve wording generally on the site.

County update: none

Moab City update: none

BLM update: Work is scheduled for the Fisher Towers parking lot (subject to covid-related delays).

Forest Service update: Forest maintenance will begin July 1, in conjunction with GCATT.

Trail Report: GCATT has been furloughed; essentially no maintenance can be done, but on the other hand there are very few visitors, so maintenance needs have been dramatically reduced.

Bike Report: Nothing to report.

Climbing report: none

Equestrian report: Trail rides still continuing. Work on Old Spanish Trail figures still underway.

Trail Running: All events on hold due to covid.

Ski Report: none

Citizens to be Heard: No comments received.