

PACRAT Board of Directors Meeting

September 4, 2024, 7:00PM

6256 SE Scott Drive, Portland and Zoom Video Communications

Board members present: Ulla Brunette, Sheri Parshall, Dale Parshall, Mark Conan, Brian Bogatin, Peter Dodd, Greg Dilger, Mark Stanford, Ken Loop, Bob Lawrence, Susan Mills, Andy Hobart, Christian Bennett. Board members absent: Marina Nimmo, Mark Crawford

Meeting called to order at 7:16PM

Appointment of Director At Large Board Members: Unanimous approval

- Andy Hobart Race scheduling/operations
- Bob Lawrence Webmaster
- Christian Bennett Rat Patrol Coordinator
- Ken Loop Communications Director
- Peter Dodd Race Operations

Adopted meeting minutes from May 16, 2024, with the following corrections: Unanimously approved

- Number 3 Committee Reports, letter d. Rat Patrol requested \$199 for Drill. Strike the \$199. Correction. Peter Dodd made the request to buy the Drill for Rich Teachy for \$200.
- Number 3 Committee Reports, letter f. Peter Dodd's request for funding to buy a display case representing PACRAT in Mt. Hood Museum, add "was up to \$300".

Treasurers Report: Brian Bogatin

- Profit & Loss Previous Year report comparison between 2023 and 2024.
- Budget Overview July through September 1, 2024, report discussed as a proposed budget for the upcoming year 2025. Further budget discussions tabled for October Board of Directors meeting.

Committee Reports:

Race Scheduling/Operations: Andy Hobart, Greg Dilger

- Race schedule for 2025 TBA.
- Races will be Fridays and Sundays during the same weekends. Combined Friday/Sunday last race will be on a Sunday at Timberline.

Membership Director/Recruiting: Marina Nimmo, absent. Ulla Brunette reported Marina's written report on her behalf.

- Snowvana is taking place November 1-3, 2024. Marina is putting together a Google doc for the Board to recruit volunteers to work at the event. Pacrat will pay for parking of volunteers if needed.
- Pacrat 101 will be held at Hillcrest Sports. Date TBA
- Possible Recruitment happy hour at Rogue Brewery in December
- Possible Social Media event in October to recruit new racers
- Race Night at Hillcrest Sports September 26, 2024
- Bib pick up at Rogue Brewery in January. Date TBD
- Possible Happy Hours during season Rat Patrol Coordinator: Christian Bennett
- Updated Planning sheet for working volunteers during races. Will complete and distribute to the Board.
- Pacrat Equipment Inventory list 2024-2025 season. Christian verified all equipment and location of each item on the list.
 - Possible items to buy include antenna for outside the race shack, drill bag, upgrade accounting laptop.

Party Director: Sheri Parshall

- Rat Attack 2025. Sheri reached out to the Cedar Lodge. Party hours would be 6-10PM with clean up and
 out by 11:00PM. Concern this timeline would be too tight for the event. She will continue research on
 other venues. Tentative date for event April 18, 2025. Expected attendance is 200. Discussion about using
 a DJ rather than hiring a band to save money.
- Pacrat race after parties: Sheri shared idea about reaching out to ski clubs to host (feed) the parties that
 follow each race (Friday and Sunday). Pacrat would provide a budget to the ski club to buy the food and
 service the party.
- Party Patrol:
 - Sheri could use more volunteers to help at the after party on Sundays.
 - Need a dedicated volunteer for Beer at the after parties. Pick up the kegs and work as bartender.
 - Nonalcoholic beverages at the after parties. Brian Bogatin has a connection with Altitude brand and will reach out about donating.

Sponsorship Director: Mark Crawford, absent. Nothing reported

Webmaster: Bob Lawrence

- Race Night at Hillcrest Sports on September 26, 2024, 4:30-8:30PM is posted on the Pacrat website.
- Board members for 2024/2025 season updated. Communications Director: Ken Loop
- Ken met with Marina Nimmo, past Communications Director, and will provide an update at a future board meeting.

Mark Stanford: Vice Chair

- Racer Bibs. Mark will check on the number of bibs and report back to the board.
- Race Pins. Last year there was a call to surrender unwanted race pins back to Pacrat.

Peter Dodd: PACRAT display case

• The new display case for PACRAT is in the Mt. Hood Cultural Center & Museum in Government Camp. Dale and Sheri Parshall provided a few items for the case including the Farwest Race Pacrat Champs trophy. Jeannie Hummel donated a notebook with Pacrat race results from the first Pacrat race in 1986. There is also a decorated Pacrat racer bib. Pete will continue to collect and add memorabilia to the case. A suggestion was made to add a sticker to the case with a QR code that would link people to the Pacrat website.

Other:

- Ken Loop asked about PACRAT merchandise for sale. There have been inquiries. Merchandise has been provided in the past and it would require a dedicated volunteer to manage the process. Online orders with specific sizing would be the most efficient process. Ken will investigate possibles and report back.
- Nastar has new owners and there will be no Nastar Nationals in 2025. Meeting adjourned 8:45PM

Respectfully Submitted by Susan Mills, Secretary