

Current Board members: Karnak, Boru, Millie, Ursula, Caitlin, m4, Smiles, Miles, Epic, David

Attendance: Ursula, Caitlin, Karnak, Smiles, David, Boru

Quorum - 5 people

To approve:

- **August 26, 2021: Meeting Minutes:**

Agenda

- Welcome and Check-ins
- Review and Vote on August 26, 2021 Minutes
 - Approved by 6
 - Posted to firepony.org

NEW BUSINESS:

- Do we want to have a January VDF?
 - Concerns around virtual fatigue and volunteerism
 - Concerns around interfering with the PDF timeline
 - No for this year, reconsider next year
- Debrief on Burner things the Board has done this past Month
 - Attended a loaf burn and recruited
 - Attended renegade burn
 - Went to Fly Ranch

OLD BUSINESS (Includes outstanding items from previous meetings):

- BOD Retreat in January
 - Suggested Dates: Jan 21 - 23 (Week after MLK)
 - Who would like to help organize (location, agenda, meals) - m4, David, Ursula
 - David researching locations
- Committee Updates:
 - RIDE FirePony: Radical Inclusion Diversity & Equity
 - Chair: Diana Smiles
 - Attendees for September: David, Ursula, Nico, Sludge Girl
 - [08/10/2021 FP Radical Inclusion TF - local copy](#)
 - [09/04/2021 R.I.D.E. FirePony Meeting Agenda Local Copy](#)

- Meeting Schedule: 2nd Tuesday of the Month - Zoom 750 660 4772
 - Oct 12
 - Nov 9
 - Working on mission statement, finding scope of the effort
 - Organization/event level vs community level
 - Need to setup drive for this committee
 - Smiles to talk to m4
 - Connections Committee
 - Should we try to attract more attention to these?
 - Should we create agendas or pre-determined topics/themes for these?
 - Smiles says a lot of folks show up late. Should they be longer or moved to a later time?
 - Last meeting 5/10 at 7pm - Next meeting ???
 - Quiet. Nothing scheduled.
 - Reach out to members. Will restart in September.
 - No action taken on this.
 - Next Burner Banter Hour - 3rd Wednesday of every month
 - Held Wed. 9/15/2021.
 - Going to continue trying different things to attract attention and a crowd
 - October 20th, 2021 @7pm ET
 - Zoom ID 750 660 4772
 - Community Art and Civic Engagement
 - Nothing new to report. Will spin up again in the Fall
 - CACE pages need to be finalized and firepony site updated - Hold until after the Task force brainstorming.
 - Need updated content for other pages on firepony site
 - 2020 Grants: Of the 2 grants, One artist backed out. The second received half funds. Other half pending projects report out.
 - Connected with artist. Project still ongoing. Should be completed Oct 1.
 - Next round of art grants to open in the Fall.
 - Finance and Governance
 - Meeting 9/16/2021.
 - Bylaw updates - In future meeting for Governance and Finance
 - Talk about updating handbook to reflect bylaws better
 - Finance
 - Need to finalize accounting for 2020 PDF ticket sales and refunds along with M2M of investments.
 - Will work on Filings in September - under filing extension. Have till November 15th to file

- FSA funds
 - We have not posted 2019 Annual report yet.
 - Looking into it.
 - Consider recommending term limits for Coordinators
- Technology Committee
 - Need to discuss site technology infrastructure
 - WiFi
 - Radios
 - RFID
 - Ticket System Status
 - Working on rebuild. Old system is completely out of date and has been shut down due to security concerns.
 - Working on on-site server-based system to allow multiple devices for check in / DB queries. Will help with RFID potential.
 - DreamHost Migrations
 - PDF Email Move
 - We'll be getting things moved before September.
 - PDF Mail List Move
 - PDF Website Move
 - It Looks like we'll be moving to wordpress. Going to start scraping data from existing drupal site that will need to be reviewed. Will be creating a google drive with this information.
- Event Planning - Logistics
 - Will speak to tamaqua land owner to put in a pad for a ½ storage container
 - Price out ½ container with delivery to Tamaqua
 - Once dates and times are set for installation - we need to work out the split with or without PDF / Constellation input
 - Cement buckets have disappeared from the PDF site.
 - We'll have new owners on Sept 1st for the CB site, will be discussing on-site storage then.
 - Miles thinks looking for storage near Elkins is a good idea.
 - May be possible if <\$100/mo
 - Discussions have started on whether it is prudent to keep paying to store these items.
 - Rent for storage is \$272/mo
 - Can we move to a smaller storage unit? - will look when on-site
 - PDF PC has been informed of our intention to split inventory
 - Price out putting a container on the tamaqua site
 - Inform PC of the spilt at next PC meeting
 - Will pester Constellation Producers starting September 1 about WVA storage onsite

- Once locations are set - get meeting with PDF / Constellation on inventory split - who gets what
 - Split to happen at LATEST Spring 2022 - will try for sooner if we can get storage sorted out
 - There is an inventory for CB. PDF has never had one.
 - Tables/Chairs should be purchased by both (split between events)
 - Need to stop storing disposable items (paper, water, etc)
 - Need to determine how inventory is split
 - Give everything to CB?
 - Purchase new for both?

- Land Purchase
 - David is taking over chairing the land search committee
 - Would like to work towards “intended community” to expand org goals
 - Potentially look for a location to hold a “jamboree” style event for the east coast burner community.
 - Believes we should nail down goals for the land being purchased. Things we want to do with it, build, etc.
 - Consider allowing the site to be used for similar communities?
 - Making a visit to Fly/Ripple Ranch for inspiration.
 - Need to get it geared back up.
 - People have had conversations, with nothing really new to report. Still researching.
 - In particular, Los Angeles burners have purchased land. will invite one of their leads to our next meeting.
 - Participant who was at VDF who is involved with Fly Ranch.
 - Committee meeting was 6/8/21 @ 7pm
 - Contacts were made at VDF with other groups who have land
 - Committee members are connecting with other teams, with the intention to have a meeting soon.
 - Looking into the idea of keeping the land as a nature preserve
 - Feasibility Study
 - Get together budget before engaging firm to do study
 - Reach out to UofM students to see if they want to take it on as a project
 - Someone reached out with land in WV - still haven't heard back

- Event Planning - PDF -
 - Last PC Call - 8/29
 - Discussed leadership retreat
 - Rulebook subcommittee 9/30 @8pm
 - Upcoming PC Call - 10/24 @7pm
 - <https://zoom.us/j/666258919>

- Event Planning - Constellation
 - Constellation retreat is postponed to an unknown date
 - No update on the land sale

- Event Planning - VDF
 - VDF Wrap up
 - Finished the Afterburn report!
 - Will be converted to PDF and sent to BMorg soon.
 - Posted to firepony.org
 - Messaging on who we should make available it to?
 - Need to audit code to be sure it is open source and nothing proprietary in the code.

- Ranger Council Update -
 - Nothing new to report

- Safety Committee - Bryan, Epic
 - Nothing new to report

- Conduct Committee

- Communications
 - FP newsletter did not go out
 - will be working on soon.

- Anything Else
 - Need to do Recruitment for BOD again
 - Calendar and Communications
 - CACE MEETING - nothing planned
 - PC Call Sunday Sept 30, Oct 24
 - Connections Comm - October?
 - Land Committee - ???
 - FIN & GOV Committee 10/14 @6:30pm
 - Burner Banter 10/20
 - FP Newsletter - pending
 - BPE Newsletter - nothing planned
 - Shooting Star - nothing planned
 - Ranger Committee Mtg - On hiatus
 - Technology Mtg - Ad hoc
 - FP RIDE 10/12

- Upcoming BOD Calls
 - 10/26 6:30pm
 - Tentative 11/21 6pm