

OREGON BEARS

Board Meeting Minutes:

Wednesday, 05 March, 2008; 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Our House of Portland, Upper Conference Room



BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Rob Z.	President	Frank A.	Treasurer
Danzig M.	Administrative Secretary	Mike R.	Membership Secretary
Steve L.	Assets Secretary	Ben B.	Member at Large
David W.	Member at Large	Josh T.	Member at Large, Webmaster
Brent M.	Member ex-officio, Oregon Cub 07		

ABSENT:

Steve S. Member at Large, Oregon Bear 06
Mark B. Member ex-officio, Oregon Bear 07

GUESTS: Drew, Adam, Larry, Chuck

CALL TO ORDER at 7:00 PM

Rob Z.

WELCOME MEMBERS/ GUESTS

Rob Z.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA for 05 March, 2008 Board Meeting (As amended)

Motioned: Frank
Second: Ben
Abstained: None
Result: Approved

GUEST - ADAM: Adam wants to start a 2nd Sunday Tea Dance at the Redcap (where he works). There will be drink specials, beer pitchers, etc. Runtime will be 4-8 PM to be similar to our other Sunday event. (During Leather Pride, we will combine with the event we hold on the August 2nd Bear Paw Bust.) Until we know if this will be a busy event, will not list it as "official Bear event"- and not publish on the Announces- just the Zone for now... Event will start the 2nd Sunday in April (ADAMWESTPROD@YAHOO.COM)

GUESTS – CHUCK & LARRY: Wanted to announce their hand-fasting (commitment ceremony) is to be this Sunday, 09 March, 2008- downtown- followed by a potluck and reception at the Eagle Portland.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES for 02 January, 2008 Board Meeting

Motioned: Steve
Second: Frank
Abstained: None
Result: Approved

APPROVAL OF MINUTES for 06 February, 2008 Board Meeting

Motioned: Steve
Second: Frank
Abstained: None
Result: Approved

OFFICER'S REPORTS:

President's Report:

Rob thanked the Board members for their work during this term.

Treasurer's Report:

All accounts balanced. (See handout)

Admin. Secretary's Report:

All is well. But need access to Announce as Moderator to update- (see New Business)

Membership Secretary's Report:

We now have 358 members! That's the largest number in club history! It is thought that the large increase in membership due to having the Eagle Portland as our home bar.

Assets Secretary's Report:

There are a few items in storage that have no long-term purpose, or are falling apart. Decided its ok to get rid of them. Steve will do Inventory by next month- along with Drew (as he will be the new Assets Secretary).

APPROVAL OF BYLAWS: as amended at Dec. review meeting- & approved by membership

Motioned:	Frank
Second:	Steve
Abstained:	None
Result:	Approved

ELECTIONS: Rob offered his thanks for the work done by the outgoing Board members: **Frank, Dave, Mike, & Danzig**. Rob then welcomed onto the Board the new Board members for 2008: **Frank, Dave, Drew, & Danzig**.

BOARD ELECTIONS:

PRESIDENT: Steve nominated Frank for President- Danzig seconded. Vote was unanimous- **Frank Armstrong is new Board President.**

TREASURER: No one wanted position- **Frank will continue as Treasurer until a replacement is found.**

ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY: Danzig wished to retain position- no opposition, vote was unanimous- **Danzig McPherson is retained as Admin. Sec.**

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY: Steve nominated Dave for Membership- Ben seconded. Vote was unanimous- **Dave Weir is new Membership Secretary.**

ASSETS SECRETARY: Steve nominated Drew Agler for Assets. Danzig seconded. Vote was unanimous- **Drew Agler is new Assets Secretary.**

Steve Strong resigned due to work constraints. Will advertise for new Board member thru Announces. Will elect new Board member at next meeting (05 April, 2008).

REPORTS ON FEBRUARY EVENTS:

BEAR PAW BUST (MAR.)- Good turnout for the "chilifeed". \$160 raised- (\$30 donated).

SNOWBEARS – No one showed-up. Steve had hot cocoa and debated canceling the event for good.

BEAR COFFEE – The popularity of the event is steady. Burger night starts next week.

BEAR BUST - It was a busy night, good turnout, 27 busts sold.

BEAR BRUNCH - Held at Starky's. Only 12 RSVP'd- but 26 showed-up. Asked Josh to add a way for attendees to say if there will be more than one in their party when they RSVP

DOUBLE X – Event was well attended. Should we have our own DJ?

HAPPY HOUR – The event is still going ok- despite the smoke.

HOSTING SCHEDULE and DISCUSSION, RECURRING EVENTS:

BEAR PAW BUST	02 Mar	Frank/ Dave
	06 Apr	Frank/ Danzig
BEARS BUST	04 May	Ben/ Dave
	15 Mar	Frank/ Dave
	19 Apr	Ben/ Frank
DOUBLEX DANCE	17 May	Steve/ Rob
	28 Mar	Josh/ Rob
	25 Apr	Brent/ Frank
BEARS BRUNCH	23 May	Brent/ Steve
	30 Mar	Steve L. @ Sweet Tomatoes
	27 Apr	Brent @ Starky's
COFFEE BEARS	25 May	Danzig @ ?
	04/ 18 Mar	Steve/ Ben
	01/ 15 Apr	Frank/ Danzig
BEAR BURGERS	06/ 20 May	Steve/ Frank
	11 Mar	Steve
	08 Apr	Frank
FRIDAY HAPPY HOUR	13 May	Danzig
		Rob Z.

NEW BUSINESS:

ANNIV PAW PRINTS- Need some more material, but mostly ready to go..

HOLIDAY SHOW 08- Need to look for new venues. Possibly run thru Starky's for off-site alcohol license. May be able to get Melody or Tiffany Ballroom for site. Ben will scout venues- as well as potential donors/ sponsors. May try having hors d'oeuvres and a more formal feel to the evening.

ANNUAL BEAR PICNIC- LOCATION: OVERLOOK PARK, DATE: 12 JULY? Ben will contact park for reservations. TIME: 10am- 4pm. Steve will talk to Steve S. about buying his grill for the club. Danzig will store it- as the storage unit is too small. **Danzig motioned to set aside \$250 for park reservation; Steve seconded- motioned passed.**

CONDOMS FROM CAP- CAP has promised to provide condoms for any event we want them for- and also offered to do on-site free testing.

13 ANNIVERSARY- The Announce should reflect that this month's Bear Bust is the 13th Anniversary of the Club. Raffles- with porn and tickets for BearTown as prizes.

SPECIAL EVENTS:

N/A

Titleholder Reports:

Mr. Oregon Bear - No report.

Mr. Oregon Cub — Brent will resume his Excursions- dates and locations TBD. IBR was successful, and the Sisters want Brent to do another event with them.

Committee Reports:

CAMPOUT COMMITTEE- Chili feed went very well- and food and money was donated.

MEDIA COMMITTEE - No report.

BEARTOWN — All plans are going well. Don has the entire production catalogue of Bear Films to Auction. During Bear GRReet Weekend, BearFilms will be at the Pajama Party to do a model search. There are possible advertising options for us in certain Bear magazines- but with high cost: 100% Beef wants \$150 for an 1/8 pg add. A Bear's Life is an advertizing option- but they still "owe" us approximately \$100- so advertising with these magazines was nixed by both the Committee and the Board.

LPWC- Bears will hold two events, as last year, with the Sunday event coinciding with the new event at the Red Cap.

OLD BUSINESS:

CLUB T-SHIRT- Still in progress.... We need to get a workable logo from the Eagle Portland. Ben will try and rework an old logo from one of the bar's adds.

PRIDE- The booths and permits secured for Pride. Got the same place as last year. Brent suggested that we use a flat-bed truck with his log bed on it- and have the titleholders on the flatbed- with "walkers" alongside in fuzzy bear pants like he wore in his fantasy routine. He offered to help make them.

NW BEARS UPDATE- Josh has been working w them in Seattle. Jim (NW Bears), wants to have a joint event with us- a "Portland Bears Invasion"- or something along those lines...the weekend of 25 July is probable date (events and details still in the works). They also want us to come up there- possibly the last weekend in September.

POLL RESULTS: SEE HANDOUT.

UNDERBEAR BOWL- Plans are going well. Will have raffle for porn and other stuff.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:56 P.M.!