

## **COMOTA Board Meeting Agenda**

Date: August 20, 2025

Location: 1901 Vandiver

Attendance:

| ⊠ Mark Alvarez    | ⊠Sam Botts      | ⊠Yvonne Buchheit          | ☐Andrea Earlywine       |
|-------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| ⊠Anita Ellis      | ⊠Josh Johnson   | ⊠Anatolie Juncu (virtual) | ⊠Beth Kelly             |
| ⊠Brian Kukla      | ⊠Lelande Rehard | ⊠Andy Schuette            | ⊠Nate Smith             |
| ⊠Philip Stambaugh | ⊠Josh Stockwell | ☐ Michelle Teti           | ⊠Elliot Usher (virtual) |

- I. Call to Order 7:52 pm
- II. Approval of Agenda: passed
- III. Approval of Minutes: passed
- **IV.** Kay-Linn Discussion: The Board discussed and identified key roles for our recurring events and ongoing projects. Based on our current needs, we will prioritize an Event Coordinator role.

V. Treasurer's Report

| Current Total     | \$61k  |
|-------------------|--|
| July Expenditures | DSport for Merch   |
| Other Comments    | Received our first TrailForks Pro affiliate program allocation |

#### VI. Committee/Event Reports

- a. Rutherford Bridge Updates- Mark reported that he is waiting on the Secretary of State to confirm his filing of articles then the quitclaim deed can proceed. Deck work is pending a checkin with the Corps of Engineers.
- b. Wednesday Night Honeysuckle Removal- Andy reported that the community has noticed and is appreciative of his group's tread repairs and honeysuckle removal.
- c. Apparel Nate reported that he has received the hats. Hats will be available for a donation of \$30. Josh J offered to have us table at Tueday Night CX for donations.
- d. All Members Meeting Social Lelande reported that the committee got estimates on portos and plans to reserve a park shelter as a backup site. Lelande, Elliott, and Anita will meet to finalize.
- e. Volunteer Hours Report- Yvonne provided the volunteer hours report and reminded us to continue to log our hours: https://comotrails.org/log-your-volunteer-hours/

### VII. Ongoing Business



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- a. Thursday Night Trail Race work event- 8/28 Nate and Beth reported that this event is ready to go. We will have at least 2 projects based out of the Devils Ice Box parking lot.
- b. MDC Roundtable: Lelande reported that the application has been sent in and approval is pending. The application is for COMOTA, CTC, and Backcountry Horseman to collaborate.
- c. Rhett's Run improvements: Andy reported on the overall master plan in progress, including improved signage. He is working with representatives from City Parks & Rec. a
- d. Upcoming community events
  - i. Hinkson Happy Hour- 9/12: Andrea, Anita, Lelande: COMOTA leadership will include Garner giving his "tree talk," and Yvonne leading hikes.
- e. MightyCause Platform or alternatives: The Board determined we will table this decision until after discussion with Kay-Linn about our fundraising direction.

#### VIII. New Business

- a. Upcoming community events
  - i. String trimming at Mark Twain this weekend- see Nate for details
  - ii. Discovery Ridge tree planting- 9/6, 8-12 am: collab with MCC, Volunteer Columbia, TreeKeepers
  - iii. NICA race 9/20-9/21 at the new Gans trails needs volunteers: see Beth or Andy if you want to know more about each job:
    - https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A4DAEA82AABF9C07-57458871-2025#/
- b. Rock Bridge Cave Tour Opportunity- The COMOTA board's tour is the night of October 4. See Nate for details.
- c. Rock Bridge Revenge aid station- 10/11 at DIB parking lot, October 11. The commitment is to pass out drinks and snacks to runners and to cheer them on.
- d. Revisiting Smith Creek Loop maintenance with Boone County Horsemen to repair drainages near Boydsville.

## IX. Adjournment 8:57pm

| Action/Event   | Owner                | <b>Due Date</b> |
|--|----------------------|-----------------|
| See your email from Kay-Linn for where to give feedback. | All Board<br>Members |                 |
|  |                      | 0/20/2027       |
| Thursday Night Trail Running Group Service Opportunity   | Andrea Earlywine,    | 8/28/2025       |
|  | Michelle Teti        |                 |
|  | Beth Kelly           |                 |
|  | Lelande              |                 |
|  | Rehard, Brian        |                 |
|  | Kukla                |                 |



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| Wednesday Night Honeysuckle at Rhett's Run                  | Andy Schuette           | Ongoing     |
|---|-------------------------|-------------|
| Collaboration with MO Parks Association on Public Lands Day | Nate Smith              | 9/27/25     |
| All Members Meeting Social                                  | Anita, Nate,<br>Lelande | 11/8/25     |
| CoMO Gives  | Andrea                  | Winter 2025 |
| Trail Film Fest   | Andrea<br>Earlywine     | Spring 2026 |