



Board Meeting

Date: Wednesday, June 3, 2009
 Address: 760 Agate Street, Broomfield (Dave Peterson-host)

Members Present: Charles, Steve, Ed, Dave, Frankie
 Members Absent: Henry
 Quorum: Yes
 Guests Present: Steve Hotzler, Jack Mullens

1. **Call to order (Time):** 7:29

2. **Minutes of previous Board meeting:**
 Steve motion to approve, Dave 2nd - approved

3. **Board Member Reports**

❖ **President** (Charles)

May general meeting was unofficial because of lack of quorum
 Info meeting held 34 or 35 members present, 1 guest
 Progressive drawing \$25 - SAGE HOEBERMANN
 Had a nice round robin discussion that may hold value at future meetings
 2nd memory chip rotated into display frame with new photos and info
 Discussion on power strip and power interruption / reset of frame... Steve to check with
 Wrangler on specifics. Ed to rewire pending

❖ **Vice President** (Steve)

Dunking booth at Wrangler for Pride ok'd
 Brief discussion regarding sponsoring a buckle at rodeo

❖ **Secretary** (Henry)

Current Membership: 150/151

❖ **Treasurer** (Ed)

Accounts:	FRB:	Checking	OBF '09
		\$6899.63	
		Cash	
		\$75	
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❖ **At Large 1** (Dave)

❖ **At Large 2** (Frankie)



4. Old Business

5. New Business

a. Board Meetings:

July 1st; Host: Steve Fitzhenry
August 5th; Host: Charles Vigil
September 2nd; Host: Ed McAllister
October 7th; Host: Henry Meadows
November 4th; Host: Dave Peterson
December 2nd; Host: Frankie Blankenship

Club Meetings:

July NO MEETING
August 8th; Time: 6 p.m.; Location: The Wrangler
September 12th; Potluck at 5, meeting at 6; Location 1155 Ash Street Club Room
October 10th; Time 6 p.m.; Location: The Wrangler
November 14th; Potluck at 5, meeting at 6; Location 1155 Ash Street Club Room
December 12th; Time 6 p.m.; Location: The Wrangler

Activities:

June 28th; FRB/PAWS Beer Bust at The Wrangler (PrideFest Sunday)
July 11th & 12th: OBF/FRB providing security at the rodeo
July 18th, Club Picnic, at Butch & CJ's home; Noon-8
August 1st, FRB Day at Water World
August 20-23, FRB Summer Camp Out
September 6th, FRB Beer Bust at The Wrangler (Labor Day Weekend)
October 1-4, Octobearfest 2009
October 25th; Beer Bust at the Wrangler
December 5th [Tentative], FRB Holiday Dinner--Location TBD
December 13th, FRB Beer Bust

b. Need to set start/end times for Summer Picnic.

Facebook pages discussion. Decision made to maintain both FRB and Friends of FRB Facebook pages with the feeling that the FRB page has potential for member interaction while the Friends of... is a good outreach source
Possibility of rotating administration duties for better monitoring and updating
Discussion regarding Tech committee and a mass emailing prior to first Tech Committee meeting to gather interested parties



6. Committee Reports:

- **Bear Gear** (Bear)
Mark Gonzales at BearFever.com is preparing samples for a new shirt that I requested. I hope to have them for inspection soon.
- **Beer Busts** (Troy)
\$832 at May 31st beer bust, next beer bust Pride
Discussion of how to better handle large crowds, possibility of having Troy do more monitoring of stations and distribution of pourers, also discussed tap locations, # of pitchers available as part of the Wranglers responsibility
- **By-Laws Revision** (Bear)
- **Grizzette** (Sam)
There really is nothing new to report concerning the Grizzette. My apologies for the delays in getting new updates posted during the month of May - my schedule was nuts and sometimes I just could not find the time to post a new Grizzette page. I am working on making sure that calendar items are a part of the Grizzette, and Bear and I have discussed putting the advertisers page on the Grizzette, as it was with the printed edition.
- **Holiday Party** (Shawn/Chris)
Charles has sent a couple of emails to Co-chair... little to no response
Board is concerned that location has not be secured for desired date. Charles to followup. Steve volunteered to assist committee if co-chairmen fail to proceed in the near future.
- **Member Directory** (Tony)
I have gotten a couple good comments about the layout and ability to put in more information, and one negative so far (only because I put the WRONG picture with the wrong name).
I replied to the member and apologized about that error.

I hope that the board would formally outline preferences for the future editions, and provide that to me ahead of time for the Summer edition.

I also am working on a blurb for the weekly update, to solicit more information and updated pictures for the next directory edition.
I hope to get that to you soon, as my goal is to have an updated directory first week of August, so that we can incorporate some of the event picutres of 2009 in that, mainly the summer picnic.
- **Merchant Discount Program** (Henry)
No report
- **Mr. FRB Contest Reorganization** (Steve)
Steve to write policies



- **Octobearfest** (James)
No report
- **PrideFest** (Jack/Jimi)
Post cards in process
Jack has sent info to Bear for weekly update
Magnets comments and approval, 3 day turn around
Dunking booth prize discussion, Would like to get deal on shots, possible cards that could be redeemed by winners. Would like to get \$2 shot price and pay for those cards that are redeemed rather than purchase specific number of shots in advance
Price of throws discussed and decision to proceed with 2 balls for \$1, one winner per payment. Work with distance to set # of hits lower and insure break even point at minimum.

Parade will be walking behind FRB banner. Ed to provide support vehicle with cooler of water
- **Publicity** (Greg)
No report
- **Summer Camp Out** (Ed)
Info on website
First registrations have started
Looking for volunteers
- **Summer Picnic** (Frankie/CJ)
Frankie presented preliminary budget of \$300 food, \$300 port-o-lets, and \$230 in misc. Original budget was \$525 + cost of port-o-lets
Frankie to coordinate with CJ and Butch on start time and specific arrangements.
Steve Hotzler reported discussion with Butch regarding available space, tables, chairs, etc.
Proposal was made for 12:00-8:00 picnic time, serving food 1:00-3:00 pending discussion with CJ and Butch
Members should be encouraged to bring lawn chairs to picnic and pot luck salad, desert, or snack to share. Club to provide meat.
Ed to deliver new grill Friday before picnic to CJ and Butch's
- **Water World** (Michael)
Info up on website
- **Website/Webmaster** (Bear)
Special event pages for WaterWorld 2009 and Summer's End 2009 Camp-Out were created and posted on the FRB site prior to Memorial Day, as promised to both chairmen. These pages are linked, both from the home page and from the August web calendar page. The payment gateways are opened for each of the events, and they are ready for online registrations. I'm very pleased with the



way these have turned out, particularly Summer's End, which was more complex, having multiple combinations of tent/non-tent, member/nonmember, and 3 different durations of stay (1-2-3 nights.) I hope the board and committee chairmen approve.

The web redesign project is coming along, slowly but surely. I have not been able to rely on Christian Flanagan's help since his appointment, which I believe is due to his employment situation. He has not communicated with me since before the April FRB meeting, leaving several emails (from me) unanswered. In the meantime, FRB member Rian Hall, who has considerable web-tech expertise, has kindly offered to help me with the redesign project. I feel I will need to ask Christian, who is a personal friend, to yield to Rian (at least for now) and re-state his interest at a later time when it becomes more convenient for him to help us.

Having said that, I'm happy to report that my own skills have sharpened considerably, and I'd like to point out an example by directing you to our [home page](#), where I've learned to embed video from an outside source. Last week, Bob Murphy turned me on to an amazing 5½ minute montage about the evolution of gay pride. I was so electrified by it, I spent a late night making it the centerpiece of our home page for June in honor of PrideFest and Pride Month. If you haven't seen it yet, take a look, and be sure to have your speakers on. I'm confident no brother-bear website can boast this style element! *(If you don't already have the free Macromedia Flash plug-in installed on your computer, download it when your browser prompts you - it's terrific. Think of Adobe's PDF reader, only for video.)*

Finally, I will be away June 8-12, taking my mother to Niagara Falls for her 84th birthday. I plan to prepare the Weekly Update on Sunday the 7th (2 days early) and leave it for Troy or Rian to email to the membership on its regular day while I'm gone. I'll announce in the June 3 edition that new submissions for events and announcements should reach me by noon the following Sunday.

7. Monthly Activities

- **Bear Day at the Wrangler**
Every Friday, all day, drink specials with membership card
- **Bear Hugs**
Check calendar for dates at the Midtowne; check calendar for dates at Lake Steam
July 25 – Charles and Henry to host. (To fulfill OBF obligation)
January – need host.
- **Bears on Broadway!** (Lonnie/Levi/George)



1st Saturday of the month, Start time 6 p.m.

- **Book Club** (Bob)
Check calendar for dates.
- **Coffee Night** (Bear)
Every Thursday @ Illegal Grounds 925 E. 17th Ave; 630p-830p
- **Dim Sum Brunch** (Ron/Van)
Check calendar on Website for next date & time.
- **Dine Out** (Malcolm)
- **Dungeons & Dragons** (Tony/Frankie)
Our D&D Meetup Group is going strong, with regular meetings currently being held.
We have approximately 8 FRB Members and 5 non-members that show up consistently for the game.

Our schedule will be changing in the immediate future (which we will be confirming in writing to the webmaster for changes to the calendar).

D&D will begin to alternate with Vampire: The Masquerade tabletop RPG on Thursdays. We will then change to every 2nd & 3rd Saturdays to Vampire: The Requiem as a LARP (Live Action Role Play) Game - which is coordinated by White Wolf Publishing Camarilla LARP group. We will continue to have an open invitation to all FRB members to join us on Thursdays (7p-10p) and 2nd/3rd Saturdays of the month (7p - 1am). These events, although coordinated through the FRB by myself, are now actually hosted by another FRB Member, Wolf Kelley - who also coordinates the LARP gaming through another group as well.

- **Eagle Bar Night** (Henry)
1st Sat each month; FREE Beer/Liquor Bust with Membership card 9pm start
- **Mozart Lounge**
3rd Saturday of the month
- **Winter Snowmobile Trip** (Ed)
- **Wrangler's SWEET Dance**
Every 2nd Sat of the Month.



8. Next General Meeting

Date & Time: Saturday, June 13th; 6 pm
Location Wrangler

Agenda Items None discussed

Duty Roster:

Mini-bucket	Steve
Door prizes	Charles
Cake	Ed
BearGear	Dave to check with Bear

9. Next Board Meeting

Date & Time: July 1, 7:00
Host: Steve
Absences expected:

10. Adjournment (Time) 9:37