



## General Membership Meeting Minutes

Date: **Saturday, September 12, 2009**

Address: 1155 Ash Street, Denver

Board Quorum/Present: Yes – C. Vigil, H. Meadows, E. McAllister, F. Blankenship, S. Fitzhenry

Members Present:

Guests Present:

1. **Call to order (Time):** 6:02pm

2. **Minutes of previous meeting:** Available on line and in the Red Book.

### 3. **Board Member Reports**

❖ **Secretary (Henry)**

Current Membership: 184 members

❖ **Treasurer (Ed)**

Accounts:	<b>FRB:</b>	<b>9,266.93 rec.</b>	<b>OBF '09</b>	<b>10800.90 rec</b>
		<b>82. cash</b>		<b>More transferred</b>
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### 4. **Old Business**

**A. 2010 Mr. FRB and Mr. FRB Cub: (Steve/Henry)**

- Merit and service based award. Information regarding nominations, obligations/responsibilities, posted on the web site soon
- Nominees will “self identify” whether Bear or Cub

**B. Location Options for 2010 potluck meetings: (Charles)**

- send ideas and information to the board before the end of the October
- locations don't need to have electricity/kitchen; should be somewhat centrally located

**C. Chairmen for 2010 Event Committees: (Charles)**

- Current terms for all Committee Chairmen expire in December
- If interested in serving as Chair of any of the committees please inform the Board by the November Board meeting (end of October)
- If you are currently a Chairman and would like to remain in the position, please send an email to the Board of Directors.

### 5. **New Business**

**A. 2010 OBF Chairman/Committee**

- Currently have one person interested in chairing committee, final call for any others interested is TODAY.

**B. Call for Nominations for the Board of Directors**

- 3 positions, 2 year term 2010-2012
- Nominations close at the October general meeting
- Online Ballot by November meeting, online voting only

**C. 2010 Price Structure**

- Remains the same as last year:
- \$25 Early Bear (Dec 1<sup>st</sup> through end of Jan 9<sup>th</sup> 2010 general meeting) Individual
- \$30 Individual Member after January 9<sup>th</sup> through August 1<sup>st</sup>
- \$55 Couple Membership after January 9<sup>th</sup> through August 1<sup>st</sup>
- \$20 Late-Year Membership after August 1<sup>st</sup>

**6 September Birthday Bears:**

- 3: Peter Wessley\*
- 5: Levi Brekke
- 13: Johnny Baylor
- 16: Scott Williams
- 17: Ed Massman
- 18: Troy Hernandez
- 20: Tom Sutton, Henry Meadows
- 24: Mark Zimmer, Michael Sparks\*
- 27: Hideki Gomi, Mike Lackey\*

\* 2009 new member

**7. Committee Reports:**

- **Bear Gear** (Bear)  
For Sale at the meeting, see Bear Sawkins
- **Beer Busts** (Troy)  
Only two left!  
Sun Oct 25 and Sun Dec 13 (PF b/b \$2k; Labor Day \$1k in proceeds)  
Talked about issues with pouring – flowing too slow at outside pouring stations; some people showed up and grabbed pitchers but weren't part of the group. Need a way to know who's part of our group.

Troy – interested in continuing next year as chair.

- **Grizzette** (Sam)  
On line at [grizzette.com](http://grizzette.com)
- **Holiday Party** (Steve/Jack/Charles)  
December 5<sup>th</sup>; 1<sup>st</sup> Unitarian Church, 1400 Lafayette, Catered, need other committee members, if interested email [holidayparty@fronrangebears.org](mailto:holidayparty@fronrangebears.org)
- **Member Directory** (Tony)  
Should be coming out in the next month.
- **Merchant Discount Program** (Henry)  
Looking for someone to take this on.

- **Mr. FRB Contest Reorganization** (Steve)  
See old Business.
- **Mr. FRB 2009** (Henry)  
No report
- **Octobearfest 2009** (James)  
83 registered. About ½ are non-members from out of state. 17 states / 3 countries.  
\$100 through today; after that \$120 through 25<sup>th</sup>. There will be no whole package registration after the 25<sup>th</sup>. Day packages will be available at price TBD.

Went through agenda.

Saturday from 11-3 bear hug at Denver Swim Club. \$10 as part of run; \$20 if not part of run. Normally a membership + locker is \$47 total.

Banquet on Saturday – 6p – 9p at Courtyard by Marriott Cherry Creek  
\$30 – 2 entertainers – Bear-o-Tones and September (comedienne); deadline is 25<sup>th</sup>.  
Emcee will be Dominick

Will check on getting registration for Swim Club and Banquet online.  
OBF Bucks are available from James if you earned them.

- ***PrideFest (Inactive remainder of 2009)***
- **Publicity** (Greg)
- **Summer Camp Out** (Ed)  
73 in attendance (record attendance)  
Made money. Loved the site. We have reserved the Group Site 1 and 4 (not 2) for next year.  
Looking to set up some committees (food, recreation, etc) and need someone to help with advertising. Aug 19-20-21.
- ***Summer Picnic (Inactive remainder of 2009)***
- ***Water World (Inactive remainder of 2009)*** (Michael)
- **Website/Webmaster** (Bear)

## 8. Monthly Activities

- **Bear Day at the Wrangler**  
Every Friday, all day, drink specials with membership card
- **Bear Hugs/Bear Day**  
BEAR HUGS:  
September 15<sup>th</sup> at the Midtowne;

January – need host at the Denver Swim Club

BEAR DAY: :Lake Steam Baths, Saturday, June 20<sup>th</sup> @ 2pm

- **Bears on Broadway!** (Lonnie/Levi/George)  
1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month, Start time 6 p.m.
- **Book Club** (Bob)  
3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month. Next: Monday 9/21 *To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee  
Jeff Lammer's (1412 Steele St #705)
- **Coffee Night** (Bear)  
Every Thursday @ Illegal Grounds 925 E. 17th Ave; 630p-830p
- **Dim Sum Brunch** (Ron/Van)  
Tomorrow, Sept 13<sup>th</sup>; 11 a.m. RSVP to [dimsum@frontrangebears.org](mailto:dimsum@frontrangebears.org)
- **Dine Out** (Malcolm)  
Unknown at this time....
- **Dungeons & Dragons** (Frankie)  
Being reorganized for the rest of the year.
- **Eagle Bar Night** (Henry)  
Need to investigate
- **Mozart Lounge**  
3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month; 6-11pm, Saturday September 19<sup>th</sup>
- **Wrangler's SWEET Dance**  
Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat of the Month. **Tonight at 10 p.m.**
- **OTHER ACTIVITIES:**

**9. Next General Meeting**

Date & Time: Saturday, October 10<sup>th</sup>; 6 p.m.  
Location Back Alley, The Wrangler  
Agenda Items

**10. Next Board Meeting**

Date & Time: Wednesday, October 7<sup>th</sup>  
Host: Steve Fitzhenry  
Absences expected:

**10. Adjournment (Time)**      7:02 pm