

KRTC Board Meeting

4<sup>th</sup> floor Phoenix Building, 101 East Vine Street

Minutes: Monday, March 20, 2006

Attendees: Keith Lovan, Phyllis Hasbrouck, David Kjelby, Eddie Farrey, Kristin Farrey, Cheryl Wyatt, Steve Wyatt, Dixie Moore.

1. Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 6:40 by Keith
2. Consensus Items: see attached list.
3. Treasurers Report
  - a. Monthly Income/Expense Report: No report. David has not received data from Joe.
4. Old Business:
  - a. Web Site Update: web site is continuing to be maintained by Boyd. Dixie has made some changes and added topics for the forum.
  - b. Display board: The display board is in Ashland. A temporary second board has been made. The state map that Cindy prepared has been laminated and can be used at other events if the main board is not available. The laminated map will be at Reforest the Bluegrass on March 25<sup>th</sup>.
  - c. Corporate Sponsorships: Steve is working on acquiring new corporate sponsors. Dixie presented a letter from Austin Mehr, an attorney from Lexington who expressed an interest in contacting David Jones from Humana. He said that Mr. Jones has similar goals as Humana and that they should be contacted. Dixie suggested that we contact some of our Louisville supporters and schedule a meeting with Mr. Jones or his representative.
  - d. Nomination Committee Recommendations
    - Slate for 2006-07
    - Chair: Keith Lovan
    - VC for Govt Affairs-Sandy Shafer
    - VC for Technical Assistance-Scott Southall
    - VC for Public Relations-Cheryl Wyatt
    - VC for Finance-vacant
    - Secretary/Historian/Newsletter Editor-Dixie Moore
    - Treasurer-David Kjelby
    - Legal Advisor-Bill Gorton
    - At Large KIPDA- vacant
    - At Large Bluegrass-
    - At Large Northern KY-Ben Bishop
    - At Large Daniel Boone-
    - At large Tyrone Bridge and Rail Co-Jodie Wells
    - At Large Pennyryle-Tom Hayes
  - e. LBS workshop- As of 3-20-06 there were 45registrations. This looks like this is going to be a great workshop.
5. New Business:
  - a. BERT Phase 3: Discussion was held about the next phase of the Lexington Big Sandy in Fayette County. Keith prepared a map showing the

abandonment from the end of BERT Phase 2 to the Fayette/Clark County line. He explained that we need to start contacting property owners about the potential for a rail trail. He also explained that the LFUCG would not apply for funds until it was confident that we would be able to obtain the necessary r/w. Dixie is going to send out an email to Fayette County KRTC members to see if they would be interested in helping contact property owners.

- b. Harlan County Abandonments: CSX has notified KRTC that is proposing to abandoned 2 lines in Harlan and Letcher Counties. Keith sent letters to the county judges in each county offering KRTC support.
  - c. Pioneer Days/4<sup>th</sup> of July: It was decided that unless there was someone interested in organizing a booth for each event we would not set up our booth. Dixie will send email to see if there is any interest.
  - d. Share the Road Rally June 24<sup>th</sup>. The Transportation Cabinet is planning a bike ride on this date to acknowledge the Share the Road license plates. KRTC was instrumental in getting people to sign up for the plates and we informed the Cabinet that we would help publicize the event. The ride will be in Frankfort.
  - e. LTA guiding principles: Keith received a letter from the Land Trust Alliance stating that KRTC has not adopted the Standards and Practices. Because he did not have a copy he said that he would send out an email asking the board to vote on the resolution.
  - f. Clips for members: The board voted to spend \$540 plus shipping for 500 magnetic clips. The clips will be given to members who join or renew at the \$25 or more level.
6. Other business
- Dixie noted that Don Strosberg's mother passed away and suggested that we send him a note. Don has been very supportive of KRTC and helped get SCR 98 passed.

There was a discussion about BRTF's status. The group has lost momentum and interest in keeping the organization going. Keith stated that he would not like to see BRTF dissolved. He said that it is easier and cheaper to maintain a non profit than start a new one. He wanted to know if BRTF could go dormant and could be reactivated if the need arose. Steve Wyatt said that he would be willing to help and would go to the BRTF meeting on April 11<sup>th</sup>. Keith said that when Lexington gets their portion constructed this year and other cities can show some progress then it would be nice if BRTF were still in place to help push the project forward.

7. Adjourned at 8:25 pm

#### Consensus Items

1. KRTC received a check for \$197.06 from the United Way as representing a portion of the 2004 payroll deduction gifts designated to your organization in the 2004 KY Employees Charitable Campaign.
2. Have received application to have a booth at the Daniel Boone Festival, Labor Day Weekend, \$100 College Park, and \$75.00 Lykins.

3. Have received application to have a booth at the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Festival, \$75.00. in Lexington

4. Plan to do newsletter mid April. Approximately 250 letters renewal membership letters went out last week.

5. There is a potential abandonment by CSX in Harlan and Letcher Counties and another proposed abandonment from CSX in Harlan County. These 2 rail lines, if abandoned, have the potential to give Harlan County over 25 miles of trails. A PDF file is available describing one of the abandonments. Contact Brent Sweger at [Brent.Sweger@ky.gov](mailto:Brent.Sweger@ky.gov). When more information is available it will be posted on the website. Information provided by Brent A. Sweger, Division of Planning, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, 502.564.7183 (x3297)

6. From Lynn Soporowski

The Transportation Cabinet is in the process of advertising for a Transportation Engineering Technician II for the Kentucky Bicycle and Pedestrian Coordinator position. Candidates will be selected from Personnel's qualified register for this job. Interested candidates may also email Lynn Soporowski ([Lynn.Soporowski@ky.gov](mailto:Lynn.Soporowski@ky.gov)) to request an interview if on this list. Information and applications can be sought at <http://personnel.ky.gov/employment/>.

7. Robin Reams has indicated that she will be retiring as BRTF secretary. She initiated discussion of where BRTF should be headed. Should it go dormant, revert to being part of KRTC? This will be on the agenda at the BRTF meeting.

9. The Bluegrass Energy & Green Living Directory & Website is now accepting Listings and Ads! Listings are free for non-profits, schools, government agencies and small/start-up businesses grossing less than \$50,000 per year. Paid listings range from \$30 to \$150 and ads from \$150 to \$1,000. All fees are tax deductible.

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8. There is a redesigned Mount Sterling/Montgomery County Tourism website! Two students, Heather Patrick and George Muntz from the Montgomery County Area Technology Center. Recently completed a class project to design and publish the Mount Sterling, Kentucky Travel and Tourism Website. t [www.mtsterlingtourism.com](http://www.mtsterlingtourism.com)