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Board of Director Meeting MINUTES –Saturday February 22, 2025 2:00 PM

294 Cutlass Court, Bodega Bay, California. 707-508-8877
and ZOOM

A. **Opening** Kim John Kilkenny – President

- a. Call to order – *the meeting was called to order at 2:04PM*
- b. Roll call

Family	Member	Elected	Attendance	Office
Anthony	Kim John Kilkenny	2024	Yes	President
John L.	Katie Kilkenny	2023	Yes	Director
Thomas A.	Eileen Trentini	2023	Yes	Director
James J.	Mary Laursen	2024	Yes	Director
Lucas E.	Taylor Rothgeb	2024	Yes	Director
Tobias D.	Carolyn Cadloni	2022	Yes	Director
Herbert L.	Chris Baye	2022	Yes	Vice President
	Philip Barry	2024	Yes	Camp Manager
	Macaire Kilkenny	2024	Yes	Secretary-Treasurer
	Dennis L. Kilkenny	NA	Yes	Assistant Camp Manager

- c. Determination of quorum
- d. Approval of the Board of Directors Agenda
- e. Approval of the June 1, 2024 Minutes – *Motion made by Carolyn Cadloni, seconded by Katie Kilkenny was approved unanimously.*

B. **Secretary Treasurer Report – Macaire Kilkenny – Secretary Treasurer – SEE ATTACHED**

- a. Financial Report
 - i. Bank Accounts
 - ii. Investments
 - iii. Receipts
 - iv. Friends of the Valley
 - v. Disbursements
- b. Budgets
 - i. 2024 Budget – Actual v Budget
 - ii. 2025 Budget Proposed
- c. Assessments
 - i. Analysis

- d. Membership Report
 - i. Unit Membership Transfers
 - ii. Suspension of Privileges/Forfeiture of Memberships
 - iii. Return of Memberships
 - iv. Request for Memberships
- e. Communications

After Macaire completed presenting the Secretary Treasurer report, Kim highlighted that most investments held by the corporation are in equity funds, which are susceptible to an overdue market downturn. Kim noted that the membership doesn't have any immediate needs for funds and the investments are essentially KFI self-insured for losses due to a fire. Kim is not recommending any changes but wanted to bring the discussion up to the board. There was no additional discussion.

Chris Baye moved to authorize the disbursements; Carolyn Caldoni seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

Mary Larsen moved to approve the proposed 2025 budget, and Eileen Trentini seconded. The motion was approved unanimously. The budget was modified this year to allocate the entire Friends of the Valley "account" to capital improvement and major maintenance projects. This recognizes the reality that any of these projects could occur at any time depending on need and volunteers.

C. Camp Managers Report – Philip Barry – Camp Manager

Philip Barry reported on the road conditions based on a recent February trip. The road from the top of the hill into camp is in okay shape, but there are some soft patches. No trees were down on the recent trip, but always bring a chainsaw. The corporation may want to focus on putting gravel in the yard and around the buildings, because it is fairly muddy due to heavy rains. Squaw Creek crossing was fine.

The Forest Service website reported that M1, the county road, was impassable due to roadway collapse about 100 feet from our turnout. A 30-foot section dropped/sank about two feet. Philip's group was able to get in and out with 4x4s. It is unclear when the Forest Service will fix the road. Until the fix is completed, four-wheel drive is essential.

Camp structures are fine after winter. The cookhouse roof has a leak, and the roof has many loose nails. Trees are down behind Smitty's Flat, blocking those roads.

We need to sort through old mattresses.

D. Capital and Major Maintenance Projects/Working Group

- a. Road Improvements
- b. Andy's Hideaway Rehabilitation
- c. Kitchen Roof
- d. Painting Structures
- e. Solar Acquisition and Installation
- f. Cookhouse Foundation
- g. Bedframes/Junk Removal

There are continuing issues with roads due to the damage sustained by the recent fires and CALFIRE's use of our access roads. Dennis Kilkenny noted that we will need to hire someone to come in with gravel and dump gravel on the road where we need it. Mike Smith, the individual who has repaired our roads with Siddiq Kilkenny in the past, will do work again for us. Dennis is also suggesting that we improve roads in the back of camp to fix water bars and remove brush.

Anne Kilkenny asked, is there a risk of the county road not being fixed? Dennis Kilkenny noted that the road is critical to the fire protection in the area. Philip Barry notes that the road is used largely by the Forest Service and believes that the road will be fixed. Anne Kilkenny asked if we should look into opening up the old Spring Wagon Flat Road to the lake. Kim noted that it's not our property.

Andy's Hideaway Rehab is planned for this spring: the beds will be removed, new beds will be installed, and the interior will be cleaned up.

Kitchen Roof & Structure Painting: Slated for Spring.

Solar Acquisition & Installation: A donation from Anne Kilkenny will assist with the installation of solar.

Cookhouse Foundation: Bar portion needs to be addressed. The main structure was addressed a few years ago.

Bedframes/Junk Removal: The old bedframes and mattresses need to be hauled out. Kim Kilkenny suggested we hire a junk service to come in and haul everything out at once.

E. Succession Planning Working Group

Last summer, the KFI Board of Directors established a working group to begin to identify potential future directors and officers (especially the president's position). The working group was comprised of Kim Kilkenny, Chris Baye, Joyce Cameron, Jeanne Turk, Macaire Kilkenny, Eileen Trentini, and Anne Kilkenny (Alaska). The group met on January 11, 2024.

Current Vice President Chris Baye was identified a potential new president, with summer 2026 as an appropriate time to transition to a new leadership.

The working group identified some potential "next-generation" directors and committed to having appropriate conversations with candidates and cousins. Joyce Cameron (working group member) noted that she has talked with her wing and has had positive responses and is hoping to put together a weekend at camp with her side to introduce family members to one another in the younger generations.

Suggestion by Kim is for Board of Directors to:

- *Accept the Working Group's report.*
- *Consider the policy to address the James L. seat over the next 3 years.*
- *Future item on how to educate family members on family transitions and to educate them on how to operate items at camp.*

By consensus the working group report was accepted with appreciation.

F. Memorial Policy

Because of repeated questions and confusion about memorials in Kilkenny Valley, Kim Kilkenny recommended a policy to describe the history and clarify responsibilities, as follows:

It is the policy of the corporation not to approve, disapprove, fund, or direct the installation, replacement, or maintenance of individual plaques on the memorial wall. Family members, working through the Hunting Club (to ensure consistency), may install new plaques remembering deceased persons on the memorial wall. Other new memorials are not authorized unless approved by the corporation.

After discussion it was the consensus that the policy be refined and returned to the board at the next general meeting.

G. KFI Website

Katie Kilkenny reported there is nothing new to report. Katie Kilkenny did note that she can add a section to the website on 1) how to operate items at camp, 2) maintenance items that can be done at camp, and 3) communicating when there would be a weekend of maintenance happening so people who are available to volunteer can check in.

H. Items Added to the Agenda. - Name of Valley

Kim Kilkenny noted that if there was ever a time to “relitigate” the valleys name change it might be under the current new administration. After some discussion it was agreed by consensus that Chris Baye would lead a feasibility review of the potential to re-open the naming of the valley at the federal level working with Anne & Mark Kilkenny.

I. Election of Directors (Spring Meeting). Seats – Tobias D and Herbert L.

J. Spring Meeting *Home of Kim and Mary Kilkenny AND Zoom, 294 Cutlass Court, Bodega Bay California – Tentative Date June 21, 2025.*

K. Adjournment – *the meeting was adjourned out 3:23 PM*