

BCHU State Meeting Agenda
24 January 2026
Ramada
333 N Main St, Richfield, UT 84701

Call to order: 0908/ 9:08 am

Roll Call

- Bridgerland, Dawny Byington and Kari Prescott
- Canyonlands, Melissa Wardle
- Central, Julie Heavirland
- High Desert, Megan McConnell
- High Uinta, Gary Siddoway
- Hi-Line and Hobbles, Rodney Unsworth, Nicole Olsen, Holly Jackson
- Mountain Ridge, Phil Blair, Fred Leslie
- San Rafael, Wayne Ludington, Rod Player
- Southwest, Tammy Engerest,
- Uintah Basin, Adam Morrill, Linda Morrill
- Wasatch Front, Linda Price

Old Business

- Approval of previous meeting minutes.
 - 11.15.2025 meeting. Approved by Freddie Dunn 1st Rod Player 2nd Kari Prescott All in favor.
- Follow-up with Uintah Basin Chapter on plans for 2026, Has a new President Adam Morrill (435-823-7312) They are planning a pack demo and would like some help with teaching. They would also like to include a Veterinarian and Brand inspector. March 21st 2026. They would love to do a pack clinic yearly if this works out for them. They hope to do it at the IFA Arena, 1646 E 1100 S, Naples Utah 84078, 435-781-1616. Using a barrel and a horse. They will advertise this on the local Radio and put out fliers. Any help anyone could give them they would appreciate. Lisa Cady said that she would love to go and help.
- Follow-up on event insurance questions. Rod Unsworth/Fred Leslie, looked into a company called Argonaut Insurance Company (info@hallmarkhorse.com, www.hallmarkhorse.com) This insurance basic covers if a spectator (non-member of bch) is injured at one of BCHU event. Cost is estimated at \$438 annually or \$150/170. Per event. If the venue we are renting requires us to have insurance this premium (TBD) could cover up to 7 events a year. Freddy Dunn suggested that the State could cover that cost. Then a chapter could request the coverage for one of their events that needs insurance. Tabled Motion to approve the state cover the cost. Lisa will zoom Rod and Fred to get more information.

New Business

- Election for State Chair
 - Lisa Caddy Nominated (final year) Be thinking about a new chair for next election. It could be you!
- Nominations for open positions

- Vice-Chair, Lisa Caddy nominated, Megan Mc Connell, she accepted. All in favor. None Opposed. Passed. Be thinking about a new vice-chair for next election. It could be you!
 - Secretary/Communications, Lisa Caddy asked Kari Prescott for this appointment and she accepted.
 - Education Chair, Wayne Luddington will be stepping down. Lisa Caddy nominated Gary Siddoway and he accepted the appointment.
 - Public Lands Chair, Rod Player has been in this position for many years and has done an excellent job, Phil Blair was nominated and accepted the appointment. If Phil needs any help Rod will answer his call.
 - Service/Volunteer Hours Chair – will be filled by Vice-Chair. Megan McConnell
 - Lisa Caddy accepted the nomination for National Director alternate.
- Financial Report Freddy Dunn
 - Present current financial report. Contact Freddy Dunn if you would like a copy.
 - Approved current financial report
 - 2026 budget, Balanced and Approved. Lengthy discussion about paying for booth at the Mountain West Trails Conference in Rock Springs Wyoming at the Sweetwater Event Center. That Lisa wants to attend. May 19/23 this year. She explained that NO equine programs were represented, and Lisa feels that BCH needs to be a part of this. The booth is 750\$ which is less than half because we are a NP. A motion was made to use part of the chapter grant funds to go to this cost. So, lowering the grant funds accordingly. Motion to approve, all in favor, motion passed.
 - Venmo problems. One expressed frustration at being able to start a Venmo but then making it for the Chapter not a person. Linda Price has your solution and is willing to take questions. Call or text her at 913-709-8002.
- Membership Report Freddy Dunn
 - Update on statewide membership. Approved.
- Executive Committee Actions
 - None
- Public Lands Report Phil Blair/Rod Player, Volunteer hours are due now. You have until January 31st to get them to Lisa Caddy, she will add them for last year the web is now in 2026.
- National Board Report Phil Blair/Rod Player. Resolutions are due and should be submitted before February 13th. IE, this is the time to ask for things like we did when we increase dues, add youth programs, anything you see that needs fixed or changed, roadless issues. Report goes to the government. April 1st the State Report is due. Chapter Support Grant is due March 1st, and this is the easiest grant to get. Go online to bcha.org. The Double Diamond award nominations are due March 20th. This is an award for work projects. completed in 2025. San
 - Rafael received the BLM Community Award for Outstanding Volunteer Group. Make sure you are maintaining a relationship with your local Forest and BLM services. With the last government shut down LOTS of things have changed. Make sure that when issues arise that we contact our local governments and our Congressmen and Senators. Voice your opinions, email and telephone them regularly.
 - Update on “Equestrian campgrounds are an RVer’s best kept secret”. We called and wrote and got this changed and taken down and a public apology was issued. Horse camps are camps to be used when you have livestock.

- Crosscut saw giveaway by Darrell Wallace
 - Looking for old crosscut saws that need refurbishing.
 - 2026 National Board Meeting
 - April 12-15, Kansas City Missouri
 - BCHA Youth Grants available
 - \$500
 - BCHA Chapter Support Grants
 - Deadline to apply is March \$100 - \$1000
 - BCHA is looking for members with grant writing and fundraising experience.
 - Promotional Items available at BCHA.
- Education Report
 - 2026 Chainsaw certification plans. Ken Snook is no longer available.
 - Crosscut saw certification – May 27-31, Submit interest through your chapter president
 - Partnership with UCCC (Jake Deslauriers, Assist. Dir)
 - Opening for a Sawyer Training Instructor. Wayne Luddington said we are in need of C buckers. This is “in person” training. No online training.
 - Ian Heinritz, instructor progress report, no update, he is a B bucker now.
 - Light on the Land Education, Rod Unsworth w/ Hi-Line and Hobbles is working on a LOTL curriculum.
 - Service Hours Reports
 - 2025 Service hours due by January 31, 2026
 - Reminder that when reporting service hours to only enter numeric values (i.e 9 instead of 9 hours)
 - State of Utah Outdoor Recreation Grant (UORG)
 - Application window is January 12 – March 13, 2026
 - Mini Grants: up to \$30,000
 - Tier 1: \$30,001 – \$500,000
 - Regional Asset Tier: \$500,001 – \$1,000,000
 - State of Utah Outdoor Initiative Freddy Dunn
 - Lisa will set up a zoom meeting for all members of the ORI regional committee to collaborate prior to the 2026 session.
 - 2026 Mountain West Trails Conference
 - May 19 – 21
 - Utah Involvement
 - Pack workshop
 - Exhibit table
 - American Discovery 250 Relay
 - The American Discovery Trail
 - Summer and Fall 2026
 - 6800 miles
 - BCHU Website
 - Contact for James Hurt 801-425-3790 webmaster@bchutah.org
 - Please send Jim updated info for your chapter

- Open for additional discussion from chapters. A motion was made to move the meeting location to Nephi as our hotel in Richfield is no longer the most CENTRAL location with rooms and a conference room. Kari and Dawny with stop by the new Holliday Inn Express located off I-15 exit 222. We have tabled the decision for our next meeting. Kari will stop and get pricing for rooms and using a conference room.
*We stopped on our way home. But it was Saturday, so no management was available. I have the manager's information and she has ours. If she does not call me, I will call her by Thursday the 29th.
- Individual Chapter presentations. Went around the room and every chapter told their yearly story.

Bridgerland
Canyonlands
Central
High Desert
High Uinta
Hi-Line and Hobbles

Mountain Ridge
San Rafael
Southwest
Uintah Basin
Wasatch Front

Service projects: Chapters share (email) any upcoming events and please share to BCHU Facebook

- Next Meeting: Date and Location. Will be by Zoom in March. No date was settled on. Lisa will send out a "Doodle pole" for a date.
- Website Resources
 - State of Utah UORG grants
https://recreation.utah.gov/grants/utah-outdoor-recreation-grant/?fbclid=IwY2xjawPaEFFleHRuA2FibQIxMABicmkETFWNmNhaDlxWTdmRINTvzdtc3JOYwZhcHBfaWQQMjlyMDM5MTc4ODlwMDg5MgABHn7Yb3eIRwU190kqG6wYithTF_CfyhMeMYOzMGMPmatjz6wWS_FtLr4BQrd_aem_8qYX1ONOLgqT7uZOMJx-kw
 - RVer's best kept secret update
<https://www.rvtravel.com/equestrian-campgrounds-rvers-secret-1234/>
 - BCHA Chapter support grants
<https://www.bcha.org/grants/>
 - BCHA Youth Grants
<https://form.jotform.com/251275646272157>
 - BCHA Promotional items
<https://form.jotform.com/223524734673055>
 - <https://youtu.be/xljpEbTh1ds?si=TsKDCYNPMIzwcdao>