



Texas Conference of Clubs
Winter Meeting
January 15, 2011 — 1:00 PM

Chairman Jim Newsome called the meeting to order at 1:11 PM at Buzzards' Peak land site. The Chairman asked all present to observe a moment of silence to remember our ill and departed friends and loved ones.

Secretary Bob Whittaker called the roll:

Austin Gay Nudists	Bill Cary
Bound by Desire	Miss Twisted
Chain of Command	Master David
Colt 45's	John Szewczyk
Cowtown Leathermen	Ron Denning
Dallas MC	Don Riggs
Discipline Corps	Guy Jones
Heart of Texas Bears	Peter Reid
Houston Area Bears	Absent
Lone Star Leathermen	Stan Morris
Misfits Houston	Absent
TCC Independents (A)	Dale Arndt
TCC Independents (B)	David Yero
Touch of Leather	Stan Morris
Trinity River Bears	Rick Magee

Recognition of Visitors

David Barnehardt, Irving, Texas

Chairman's Report

Jim thanked everyone for being here on a rainy, cool day. Jim mentioned that last year we attempted to have a first timer campout which fell apart on us. This year we want to try to do it in conjunction with the April meeting. This will give people attending a chance to see the land site, see the maintenance weekend, and see the meeting in progress. We will still do the meal on Saturday evening.

Jim said he looks forward to this being another great year for us at TCC. Jim asked everyone to keep up the good work.

Secretary's Report

Ron Denning made a motion, seconded by Don Riggs, to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the regular October 16, 2010 meeting. The motion was approved.

Treasurer's Report

A written copy of the [Treasurer's Report](#) is available on the web. Comments from Lee are part of his report.

Lee said we had a very good year, although we lost about \$1,200. Financially we are in good shape. Lee wanted to thank Todd Kinney for his work with raffles during runs at the land site. He raised \$1,686.

Stan Morris made a motion, seconded by Dale Arndt, to approve treasurer's report. The motion was approved.

Miss Twisted mentioned that Bound by Desire is donating \$250 toward the restroom fund.

Committee—Coordinator Reports

Land Management

Brian went over his report. Some highlights of his report:

We had two trees removed because of safety considerations, both could have fallen on the power lines, and one could have fallen on the bunkhouse. The two separate items came to \$550.

There are a lot of trees that need to be cut down and cut up for firewood. Need to get that done as we can. We need to get the dead trees out so the tree disease doesn't spread to the living trees.

Firewood needs to be replaced by groups that hold events. In March we want to hold a "chain saw" event and get rid of the dead trees, cut up the wood, and replenish the firewood.

Brian thanked Randy for donating a drink machine for the land site. Randy also donated a four-hole steam table.

Brian showed the [art work for the Event in Progress sign](#). It is 24 x 36, made of metal with vinyl lettering. Total cost of the sign is \$57.37.

New restroom update: next is the foundation of the building. Weather hasn't been good enough to proceed. Total expenses so far \$5,627.29. We have a balance of 2,590.71 we need to raise. Have pledges of \$1,250 toward the balance needed for funding.

LoneStar 23

Ron Denning restated the theme as Campground Carnival, a Mardi Gras style theme which should be a great deal of fun. We will have a float building contest

and on Sunday we will have a parade. There will be a special prize for those who collect the most beads. Ron thanked to Peter Reid for designing the pin and poster.

Still need people to fill some of the volunteer opportunities during LoneStar. Contact Ron Denning if you can help.

Wi-Fi Update

Lobo said he will purchase another repeater for the pole barn with the extra funds in the account.

Old Business

The membership voted on the application of Richard A. Griffith for independent membership. His membership was approved.

The membership voted on the application of Armando Ramirez for independent membership. His membership was approved.

The membership voted on the application of Elmer King for independent membership. His membership was approved.

Wording for the amendment to the Articles suggested by Lobo during the last meeting was presented..

New Section 6, Article III – Membership [*if approved, will be Amendment III*]

Proposed

At the discretion of the Conference, the time limit set in Section 1, and the provisions of Section 5, may be waived for any Independent Member or Member Club who was in good standing at the time they left the Conference.

Don Riggs made a motion to accept the amendment. The motion was seconded by Guy Jones. The motion and amendment was approved

During the October, 2010 meeting, Ron Denning: discussed proposed amendment to move LoneStar back to every other year and reinstatement Rastenol.

Current

Section 3: Vice Chairman

(f) Will coordinate the annual LoneStar event with participation of member clubs.

- i. Present a proposed budget, theme, and run schedule as soon as possible before the LoneStar run.
- ii. Is responsible for, and exercises control over, the LoneStar run and assign necessary duties. All decisions of the Vice Chairman about the LoneStar run are binding and final.
- iii. Presents a final detailed report, including an accounting of all income and expenses, at the as soon as possible after LoneStar, but no later than the Fall Meeting of the year.

Proposed [*if approved with be Amendment III or IV, depending on vote on other amendment above*]

- (f) Will coordinate the biannual four-day LoneStar event every even numbered year with participation of member clubs.
 - i. Present a proposed budget, theme, and run schedule as soon as possible before the LoneStar run.
 - ii. Is responsible for, and exercises control over, the LoneStar run and assign necessary duties. All decisions of the Vice Chairman about the LoneStar run are binding and final.
 - iii. Presents a final detailed report, including an accounting of all income and expenses, as soon as possible after LoneStar, but no later than the Fall Meeting of the year.
- (g) Will coordinate the three day Ratsenol event every odd numbered year.

Don Riggs, made a motion to accept the amendment as presented. The motion was seconded by Dale Arndt. After some discussion Stan Morris called the question. The call the question approved one abstention. The Motion to accept the amendment as presented carried. There was 1 opposition.

New Business

There was no new business.

Announcements

John Sweczyk mentioned that he is going to pass on the responsibility for PWA campouts to others and the representative for PWA will be Dennis Watson.

Dale Arndt. Discussed some points regarding Roberts Rules of Order, specifically with regard to calling the question.

Adjournment

Guy Jones made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Peter Reid. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 2:10PM.