

Iditarod Trail Committee
Board of Directors Meeting – **Summary**
Millennium Hotel
Anchorage, Alaska
February 18, 2008

A quorum of the Board of Directors was present for the meeting, which began at 9:02AM. President Burmeister stated Joe Redington, Sr absence was excused, as he was on the trail. Several staff members were present.

There were no public comments.

The minutes of the November 30, 2007 Board of Directors meeting were approved.

Staff reports were reviewed by the Board with questions and comments from the Directors and staff.

Executive Director Hooley provided the Board with an update on various ITC activities: current financial projections; ITC will have a new joint working relationship with Cabela's; the 2008 Race will include the testing of musher tracking systems with Ion Earth (note-if the field tracking system is successful, the system may be part of the Iditarod "Insider" in future years); staff continues to work with potential production partners; and BLM has given a "verbal commitment" that the BLM user fees will be capped at the current level for future races.

Hooley also advised the Board that the Secretary of the U.S. Interior Department and the Director of the BLM will be participating in the race start.

St. George reported that Dale Meyers is coordinating the activities for six military veterans, one family member for each veteran, a chaplain, and a medical person to attend the Iditarod activities from February 28 to March 4.

Nordman gave a trail report and reviewed a written protocol for application to Race Rule 37.

Seavey stated that he would like the President to appoint a committee to investigate the development of a world mushing center, including the appropriate land acquisition.

Palin provided written reports associated with the Board Governance Committee and the Nominating Committee. The ITC Board took action that would allow the IOFC to select its representative to serve on the ITC Board. The Governance Committee intends to submit proposed Bylaw amendments with an effective date of June 30, 2008, to the ITC Board at its April Board meeting for consideration.

Nelson suggested that ITC have no more than 80 teams in the race. This issue will be discussed further at the April Board meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 2:20PM.

Jim Palin
Secretary – Board of Directors

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