

**Minutes of the Annual Membership Meeting of the
Robson Ranch Road Runners Travel Club
Wednesday, January 31, 2024**

The 2024 Annual Membership Meeting of the Robson Ranch Road Runners Travel Club was called to order by President Bob Tastle at 6:05 P.M. He welcomed all members and our travel partner guests to our 2024 Annual Membership Meeting. Bob Tastle introduced Karen Kugler from Celebrity Cruises and specifically thanked Brandt Travel for using the proceeds from the Riedel Wine Charity Event sponsored by Celebrity Cruises for the \$1,200.00 check given to Our Daily Bread at our Mid-Year Mixer in July. Celebrity Cruises representative, Karen Kugler, expressed appreciation to the Road Runners Travel Club for their support and participation. Karen Kugler surprised the audience with a champagne thank-you toast. As champagne was being served to more than 300 members in attendance, Karen highlighted upcoming Celebrity Cruises and tours.

President Bob Tastle acknowledged and thanked both Brandt Travel and Simply Travel for being our valued travel business partners. Bob provided an overview of tonight's agenda including a reminder to secure door prize and 50/50 drawing tickets.

Secretary Elaine Darby publicly thanked our Newsletter & Website Administrator, Angela Meyer, for posting the 2023 Annual Membership Meeting Minutes on our original website after the January 25, 2023 meeting, then moving the minutes over to our new website for easier access and download. Elaine asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes of the 2023 Annual Membership Meeting. Hearing none, Secretary Elaine Darby asked that all in favor of accepting the 2023 Annual Meeting Minutes as posted respond with a "4 R's club dot com" choral response with hand signals to indicate acceptance. As the Solo Travelers Connections hostess/facilitator, Elaine used the "4 R's club dot com" choral response with hand signals to remind members of our new Robson Ranch Road Runners website. Hearing no opposition, the 2023 Annual Membership Meeting Minutes were accepted into our records as posted.

Membership Director Jodie Konvicka reported a final 2023 total membership of 738. Jodie enthusiastically reported a current 2024 membership count of 473 and expressed appreciation for the new members who have recently signed up to join our Road Runners Travel Club.

Treasurer Jodie Konvicka reported a 2023 carry-over balance of \$4,775.00 to our 2024 club bank account. She expressed appreciation to CPA Alan Stark for reviewing our 2023 financial records to verify accuracy of accounts. Jodie Konvicka reported that our financial records are accurate.

Website & Newsletter Administrator Angela Meyer presented a powerpoint to showcase our new Robson Ranch Road Runners website with its links to our sponsored trips, tours, and cruises

provided by our travel business partners - Brandt Travel and Simply Travel. Angela highlighted our Road Runners Travel Club newsletter format and frequency as well as noting the Special Announcements protocol. In addition, Angela showcased our newly launched online dues payment option, the trip review/feedback feature with photo sharing, and encouraged use of an R.S.V.P response link for future Road Runners events and activities. President Bob Tastle thanked Angela Meyer for preparing the powerpoint photo loop presented on the screen prior to the official business meeting.

Vice President Karen Lyons introduced the slate of candidates for the 2024 Board of Directors as follows: President Bob Tastle, Vice President Karen Lyons, Membership Director Jodie Konvicka, Treasurer Sarah Ray, Secretary Elaine Darby, Publicity Director Carol Boykin, Website & Newsletter Administrator Angela Meyer, Travel Liaison (Brandt Travel) Sue Davis, Travel Liaison (Simply Travel) Susan Parker, Travel Consultant Kathy Cather, Travel Consultant Dan Patrick, Travel Consultant Charles Stockton, and Travel Consultant Gina Wilson.

President Bob Tastle asked if there were any nominations from the floor. Hearing none, Bob called for a motion to accept the 2024 slate of candidates by acclamation as the Board of Directors for the Robson Ranch Road Runners Travel Club. Alan Mauldin moved to accept the slate of candidates for the 2024 Board of Directors. Kimo Sutton seconded the motion. All in favor responses were given. No opposition was heard. Motion carried.

President Bob Tastle announced the three 'Member-At-Large' appointments for 2024: Ron Cates, Pat Garrett, and Larry Nortunen. He introduced Ron Cates who was in the audience.

President Bob Tastle presented a brief summary of our 2023 travels. He announced the following 'Save The Date' Road Runners Travel Club events: April 29, 2024 – Spring Fling, July 31, 2024 – Mid-Year Mixer, and October 14, 2024 – Fall Fun.

President Bob Tastle introduced Brandt Travel's Kendall Meade. Kendall introduced Brandt Travel representatives in attendance. Kendall presented highlights of upcoming trips, tours, and cruises sponsored by the Road Runners Travel Club in 2024, 2025, and 2026.

President Bob Tastle introduced Simply Travel's Birona Aswad. Birona showcased upcoming customized trips designed for the Road Runners Travel Club members. She highlighted several Simply Travel trips and tours scheduled in 2024 and 2025 as well as noting 'coming soon' trips.

Both of our travel business partners - Brandt Travel and Simply Travel - did ticket drawings for travel-themed 'door prizes' following the end of each of their presentations.

Our 2024 Treasurer Sarah Ray announced the 50/50 drawing proceeds and asked an audience member to pull one ticket from the collection container. President Bob Tastle announced the winning ticket recipient.

President Bob Tastle adjourned the 2024 Annual Membership Meeting at 7:10 P.M. Bob Tastle encouraged Road Runners to visit our travel business partners' display tables set up by Brandt Travel and Simply Travel with several catalogs and brochures for future travel consideration.

Respectfully submitted,
Elaine T. Darby
Secretary