



The meeting began at 5:04PM Pacific Time

Financials

The treasurer provided a summary of the financial report for June 2025.

Balance Sheet

- CD's totals provided included interest gained.
- Stifel account values provided, including fees deducted
- Donations income provided
- Net Revenue provided.

Budgets Vs Actual

- Donation income provided, including Disaster Relief Funds
- Expenses provided.

Public Lands

Randy is absent Brad filled in for him.

Main topic was the closure of regional forest service offices and programs. We are going to submit a letter of comment regarding the reorganization of the department of agriculture. Randy will be putting the letter together and the comment period closes on August 26th, 2025.

This is a unified letter intending it to be collaborative and positive on the part of BCHA. Recommend that if there are people in the states who choose to comment, please stay positive.

Sawyer Program

Partnership committee constructed a letter to the USFS Chief regarding the saw program. Region 9 has inherited region 8 but we don't call them regions anymore. Brenda Yankovich was included in the letter, and she came back with questions, on behalf of the Chief, regarding volunteer hours and these questions were answered. Just received notice the Forest Service has funded the saw training program, Mark has been trying to confirm this information but no response yet. BCHA has come up with an alternative saw structure based on the states, but this may not be needed anymore if the Forest Service has funded saw training.



Museum

Forest Service Museum: the Executive Committee voted for the Museum sponsorship and to raise \$15,000. Montana has reached their \$10,000 goal to sponsor the museum. BCHA will have an exhibit in the museum. This is a great opportunity to get the BCHA name out there, talk about our history and advertise.

2026 National Board Meeting

We are looking for ways to save money. We are considering high ticket items such as audio visuals. We appreciate National Director input.

Polls Taken

1. Which is more important to you...Audio/Visual presentations or printed presentations? 71% voted for printed material, 29% voted for A/V.
2. Which would you prefer...All auction income go to operations and then dispersed to committees or Live auction items go to operations and silent auction items go to committees? 65% Silent to committees and live to operations, 35% to operations only.

Next National Director Call is September 24th, 2025.