Attendees: Zach G., Michael W., Brian C., Jason F., Gene B., Scott S., Mark D.,

**Call to Order – President**

  Confirm Quorum – Quorum confirmed.

 Call to order – President Brian called meeting to order at 11:11 a.m.

**Approval of Previous Meeting(s)’s Minutes**

Approval of Minutes from April: Brian moved to approve minutes, Second by Scott. Passes.

***BODY OF MEETING – High Priority Items (Round 1)***

**Treasurer’s Update**

* Bank Balance: $3,299.61

**President's Updates**

* Membership at events
* In person meeting in July at Pride Center.
* July meeting will be the elections for Bear Necessities Chair and Pride Chair. Have other open positions. By-Law, Treasurer, PSL Chair, Social Officer’s chair.
* We will also have a hybrid zoom/in person.
	+ We will have the conference room at the end of the hall.
* Bear Wash – Fund raiser, bear car wash. Zach will confirm with member who brought this up.
* Need to fill vacant positions. See above.
* Picnic – June 5th. Will sell t-shirts and memberships. We need to get rid of current stock. 1 t-shirt for $20 two for $30 at the picnic only.

**Vice President’s Updates**

* Float Trip – Unsure due to drought.
	+ Reached out to Raccoon River. Tentatively booked for July 24, waiting for confirmation.
	+ We are organizing the event but each person must book their own spot. $25/person includes transportation to the start which takes 3-4 hours depending on speed of the river. Includes one cooler innertube per 4 people. There are other available add ons for your trip.
	+ Not a Bear sponsored, we are NOT paying for anything. There may be other people who aren’t affiliated with us on the float which doesn’t mean we will float with them. We can tie to each other as to not get separated.

**Secretary’s Updates**

* Next Newsletter for rep members will be in July as we send them quarterly, membership update, all files are update date and have been maintained over the last year. This includes the website contact list as well as our info on the google drive. Reach out to Michael with questions.

**Social Officer’s Updates**

* See above

**Bear Necessities Chair Updates**

* Had a meeting. Looking for hotels and setting dates around the availability of hotels.
* We’re hoping for April 22-24, 2022 however, this could change depending on hotel availability.
* Would like to stay downtown
* We are also coordinating with other bear groups in the region. Meet in the Middle reached out to us. They are hoping for the 1st week of May but having the same issue with hotel availability.

**Capital City Pride Chair’s Updates**

* Not getting many updates. Possibly a vehicle parade?
* Reached out to Paul S., who gave Zach an email address. Zach asked if there is a theme, if we can pull a trailer and where to register. We haven’t heard back yet. Brian and Zach posted on FB asking also…

**Pride Sport League Chair’s Updates**

* Volleyball Monday. WE ARE UNDEFEATED!!! Held at Campbell Recreation Area in Clive.

**Social Media Administrator’s Updates**

* Is looking for more content.

**Bylaws Chair’s Updates**

* Item

**Iowa Leather Weekend Chair’s Updates**

* No official updates from the Blazing Saddle on whether ILW will be happening this year.
* If anything does happen, it will most likely be a scaled back, one day event without a contest.
* Upcoming Events:
* May 25: Think Kink - Wax Play 101

7:00PM - 8:00PM Central

Online Kink Class

Need to Pre-register:

<https://airtable.com/shr4rNZAYMLktnj37>

See Facebook for more information

May 29: \*TENTATIVE\* Virtual Gear Night

7:00PM - 8:00PM Central

Online Zoom Call No event has been created as of yet, but this is when it would normally happen. It may be skipped this month May 29: \*UNOFFICIAL\* Gear Night @ Blazing Saddle

9:00PM - 2:00AM Central Get in Gear and Socialize with others at the Bar

This is NOT an unofficially sanctioned/sponsored event from ILW or the Saddle. Official in-person Gear Nights have not resumed. However, people have started coming back to the Saddle on the last Saturday of the month to celebrate Gear.

**Merchandise & Marketing Chair’s Updates**

* No update. No date set yet for a June meeting.
* If anyone wants to volunteer reach out to Joe.

***BODY OF MEETING – Lower Priority Items (Round 2)***

**President's Updates**

* None

**Vice President’s Updates**

* None

**Treasurer’s Updates**

* None

**Secretary’s Updates**

* None

**Social Officer’s Updates**

* None

**Bear Necessities Update**

* None

**Capital City Pride Chair’s Updates**

* None

**Pride Sport League Chair’s Updates**

* None

**Social Media Administrator’s Updates**

* None

**Bylaws Chair’s Updates**

* None

**Iowa Leather Weekend Chair’s Updates**

* None

**Merchandise & Marketing Chair’s Updates**

* None

***OPEN DISCUSSION (Round 3)***

 Pride, Bear Den at the Garden is really comfortable.

***UPCOMING PLANNING MEETINGS, EVENTS, AND OTHER DATES OF NOTE***

* Planning meeting May 16, 2021 11:00 a.m.
* Picnic June 5, 2021. Zach will be selling raffle tickets and donations for his raffle basket for world bear.
* Planning meeting June 20, 2021 11:00 a.m.
* Pride Parade June 27, 2021
* Planning meeting July 18, 2021 11:00 a.m. IN PERSON and ZOOM.
* Float trip July 24, 2021.
* August 14, 2021 Happy Hour
* August 19 – 22, 2021 World Bear in Memphis, TN

***MEETING ADJOURNED***

 Zach makes motion to adjourn. Second by Gene. Motion passes. Meeting adjourned at 11:39 a.m.