



## Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

November 13, 2021

Location: Virtual

2:00 p.m.

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### Unofficial Summary

- Approved the Meeting Minutes from the October 21, 2021 Board meeting

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### Attendance

#### Officers:

President – Vik Sahney (Zoom)  
Vice President – Gabe Aeschliman (Zoom)  
Treasurer – Don Heck (Zoom)  
Secretary – Roger Mellem (Zoom)  
VP of Branches – Peter Hendrickson (Zoom)  
VP of Outdoor Centers – Carry Porter (Zoom)

#### Directors at Large:

Serene Chen (Zoom)  
Rich Johnston (Zoom)  
Brynne Koscianski (Zoom)  
Mark Kroese (Zoom)  
Takeo Kuraishi (Zoom)  
Maya Magarati (Zoom)  
Steve McClure (Zoom)  
John Ohlson (Zoom)  
Manisha Powar (Zoom)  
Alex Pratt (Zoom)  
Paul Stevenson (Zoom)  
Steve Swenson (Zoom)  
Anita Wilkins (Zoom)  
Siana Wong (Zoom)

#### Branch Directors:

James Henderson – Foothills (Zoom)  
Mike Kretzler – Olympia (Zoom)  
Matt Vadnal – Everett (Zoom)

#### Board Members Absent:

Alex Cowen – Seattle (Zoom)  
Mark Kerr – Tacoma (Zoom)  
Jerry Logan – Kitsap (Zoom)  
Maura Rendes – Bellingham (Zoom)

#### Staff:

\*Tom Vogl <sup>CEO</sup> (Zoom)  
\*Tom Helleberg <sup>Publisher & Director of Finance & Operations</sup> (Zoom)  
\*Amber Carrigan <sup>Director of Development</sup> (Zoom)  
\* Kristina Ciari <sup>Director of Communications and Membership</sup> (Zoom)  
\*Becca Polglase <sup>Director of Programs & Operations</sup> (Zoom)  
\*Brienne Vanderlinden <sup>Deputy Director of  
Development & Strategic Engagement</sup> (Zoom)

#### Guests & non-voting members:

\*Brad Near <sup>Incoming Seattle Branch Representative</sup> (Zoom)

\* non-voting attendee



### **Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order at 1:51 p.m. by Board President Vik Sahney via a remote Zoom call. President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, VP of Branches, and VP of Outdoor Centers were in attendance. A quorum was established and was maintained throughout the meeting.

### **Agenda:**

Vik Sahney shared the proposed agenda, which was adopted by the Board without objection.

### **Consent Agenda:**

Vik Sahney shared the consent agenda:

- Approve the Meeting Minutes from the October 21, 2021 Board meeting

The consent agenda was approved without objection.

### **Committee and Staff reports:**

- Amber Carrigan shared an update on the in-person 2022 Gala and asked all Board members to consider serving as a table captain, table host, or sponsor of the event.

### **Old Business:**

- At 1:56p.m. Vik Sahney moved that the Board enter executive session. The motion was adopted without objection.
  - The Board moved out of executive session at 2:35 p.m.
- Becca Polglase provided an update to the Board about activity council charters, including work that is happening now to address operational gaps.

### **New Business:**

- Tom Vogl shared the objectives of the Board Youth Representative Program and discussed proposed modifications to the program, including expanding the program to include two youth roles. Tom also provided an overview of The Mountaineers Qualified Youth Leader certification, which all Board members will be required to complete.

### **Announcements:**

- November 1-14, 2021 – Donor Wellness Calls
- November 19, 2021, Donor Hike with Peter Hendrickson – roster full, accepting waitlist
- November 22, 2021 – Deadline to get Donor Thank You Cards in the mail
- November 30, 2021 – #GivingTuesday and Year End Appeal Kickoff
- January 20, 2022 – Board of Directors Meeting
- March 5, 2022 – Spring Board Retreat
- April 2, 2022 – The Mountaineers Gala



**Good of the Order:**

- The application period is open for membership on the Equity and Inclusion Committee. The deadline to apply is December 5.
- The Mountaineers will host the Banff Mountain Film Festival at Benaroya Hall on February 23 and 24, with a special reception for Peak Society members on February 23.

23 of 27 Board members were present.

**Adjournment:**

Vik Sahney moved to adjourn the meeting. Without objection, the meeting was adjourned at 3:06 p.m.

Submitted by  
Roger Mellem, Board Secretary  
Amber Carrigan, Development Director  
Approved by The Mountaineers Board of Directors 1/20/2022