**ACTION Notes: Branch Leadership Committee 15 December 2021**

BLC Zoom Meeting December 15, 2021.  Present: voting members (BHM B McNitt, , OLY N Kirby, FTH B Peacock, , KIT G Ta, TAC C Stock, GADV C Hoover, VP Branches P Hendrickson) plus Staff (S Ramsay, B Polglase) and Guests (FTH James Henderson, BOD/Risk Management Alex Pratt). Not present: SEA & Safety B Ashby EVT E Jorgensen Approved agenda + minutes 17 November (Motion Brian, Neal).

**Meeting Convened** 6:07pm, adjourned 6:56 pm (No objections).

**Branch Rounds**. KIT chair elect John Mackey, seek Basic chair, non-vaxed leader issue; OLY hosting in person annual mtg 06 Jan; TAC, no report; SEA chair resigned, B Ashby is interim; FTH 10 Dec annual virtual dinner, scramble fund raising; BHM seeks chair elect & basic co-chair, considering new activities, bigger enrollments; EVT no report.  Safety: longitudinal, highly detailed incident/accident tables—climb, scramble, hike, kayak

**Information.**

>>Leadership Conference cancellations final but sessions being loaded to Leadership Seminars

>> Navigation, Climbing, Scramble and Naturalist Summit ad hoc groups working on standards revisions. Activity Council Charters circulating for branch comments or approvals.

>> Basecamp is preferred active committee, activity council/summit file storage location. Required use for clubwide groups (BOD, Activity Councils, Summits...) Also post final minutes on Mountaineers site.

**Chairs Action Notes.**

>> Urban Walk, newest activity, goes live in November.

>> Review Trail Running standards before 01 December summit.

>> Report calendar 2021 branch service award winners to Sara by January 1.

**Strategic Plan Renewal**

>>Bri and Tom discussed upcoming, several month refresh of the BOD Vision 2022 (yet in place). Engagment by branch leaders will be sought throughout the process.

>>Leadership comments included calls for better: succession planning, inclusive recruiting, operational support for new chairs, established systems of documents and proceedures, training academy, not for profit leader seminar, permits...

>>Engagement and Advocacy topics (including stewardship) will be addressed in future meetings.

**BLC Actions Taken.**

>> Astronomy Standards revisions approved (Motion Bill, Ben).

**Chair Development.**

>>Sara Ramsay provided a 15-minute tutorial on the use of Basecamp.

>>Becca Polglase discussed utility of eLearning CoAssemble platform, inviting on-demand training

**To Discuss Next Meetings.**

>> Risk Management Committee Branch Risk Reviews (Alex Pratt, December 15 meeting)

>> Recreational Properties Standards, Summits, Activity Council

>> Youth Leadership qualifications, standards, summits, activity councils

>> Transition to new Vice President of Branches, March 2022 (term limited to single two-year service)

 **Next Meetings.** 15 Dec || 2022--22 Jan retreat (followed by volunteer appreciation dinner--if not virtual 21 Jan), 17 Feb, 16 Mar, BOD retreat 5 Mar, 20 Apr, 19 May, 15 Jun

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