**Minutes: Branch Leadership Committee 20 October 2021**

BLC Zoom Meeting October 20, 2021.  Present: voting members (BHM B McNitt, EVT E Jorgensen, OLY S Carlson, FTH Brad Peacock, SEA --, KIT --, TAC N Martinez-Paz, SFT --, GADV C Hoover, VP branches P Hendrickson) plus staff (M Song, S Ramsay, B Polglase) and Guests (OLY N Kirby & J Zumbo), SEA BOD Rep (A Cowen), Risk Management (A Pratt).  Not present: TAC C Stock, SEA J Pearce, FTH G Ta, SFT B Ashby. Approved agenda + minutes 18 September (Motion Cindy, Scott).

**Meeting Convened** 6:04pm, adjourned 7:52pm (No objections).

**Branch Rounds**. KIT seeking chair elect,; OLY many transitions, developing climb application, charter revisions; TAC, no report; SEA no report; FTH no report; BHM seeking chair elect & basic co-chair, revising charter, hosted PHendrickson visit; EVT no report.  Safety Q3 (Sept) report posted

**Information.**

>>Leadership Conf Go/No Go decision 29 Oct; 20 Nov Tacoma (n=75), 4 Dec Seattle (n=150).

>> Migration to eLearning Coassemble.com platform remains on track.

>> Global Adventures applying Go/No Go protocol to trips in 2021 and 2022.

>> Navigation Summit ad hoc groups working on standards revisions. Activity Council Charter circulating for branch approvals.

>> Basecamp is preferred active committee, activity council/summit file storage location. Official minutes should also be posted on Mountaineers site.

>> $44,761 of budgeted $68,300 was expended for branch volunteer recognition and reward.

**Chairs Action Notes.**

>> Vote!! BOD members at large election closes midnight 21 October.

>> Chairs asked to bring Mountaineers and Basecamp rosters up to date.

>> Review Climbing, Bikepacking, Alpine Scramble standards before summits.

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

>> Report any other Super Volunteers (capture non reported hours) to Sara by October 31

**BLC Actions Taken.**

>> Astronomy Standards revisions tabled to next meeting (Motion Scott, Brad). Asked for language clarification on who approves Dark Sky sites.

**Chair Development.**

>>Alex Cowen provided a 15-minute tutorial (recorded) on the use of Robert’s Rules of Order to 1) reflect the will of the majority, 2) hear minority voices, and 3) efficiently conduct business. He discussed the roles of Quorum, Notice, Agenda, Minutes and Decision Making.

**To Discuss Next Meetings.**

>> Safety & Risk Assessment oversight vis-a-vis summits

>> Strategic Plan renewal

>> Stewardship

>> Recreational Properties Standards, Summits, Activity Council

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

**Next Meetings.** 17 Nov, 13 Nov likely BOD retreat, 15 Dec || 2022--22 Jan retreat (followed by volunteer appreciation dinner), 17 Feb, 16 Mar, BOD retreat 5 Mar, 20 Apr, 19 May, 15 Jun

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