

The Mountaineers Conservation and Advocacy Committee Charter

Purpose

The Conservation and Advocacy Committee (“Committee”) is a standing committee of the Mountaineers Board of Directors whose purpose shall be to advise the Conservation and Advocacy Director and CEO on conservation policy issues of potential importance to Mountaineers members and stakeholders. The Committee shall report periodically to the Board.

Reference: Board Meeting Minutes of August 20, 2020.

Membership

The Committee shall be chaired by a Mountaineers Board member with a legal and/or conservation background, and shall consist of the Chair, the Conservation and Advocacy Director of The Mountaineers, and at least one additional member of the Board. The Chair may also appoint up to five Board or non-Board members with conservation policy backgrounds. The Chair shall be designated by the Board; the other members shall be appointed by the Chair. Members are appointed for three-year terms and may serve two consecutive terms. Vacancies shall be filled by the Chair.

Functions

Expeditious decision-making is often required in conservation advocacy. The Committee will not delay or impede actions the Conservation and Advocacy Director and CEO believe they should take to benefit The Mountaineers, but rather is chartered to support and be a sounding board for them when they request guidance, especially if the issue is outside a defined public lands scope and/or strategy. The Committee shall meet a minimum of two times per year.

Quorum

The presence of the majority of the Committee shall constitute a quorum.