

Everett Mountaineers Executive Committee Meeting January 18, 2018

Attendees:

Bruce Wolverton (pizza)	Doris Hatton
Nic Tormohlen	Van Tormohlen (Architect)
Elaina Jorgensen	Bernadette Lamarc
Ian Williams	Andy
Bill Coady	Jodi Stebbins

Meeting Began: 7:05pm

Nic motioned to approve the September 9th minutes, Bruce seconded. Previous minutes were approved.

Special Guest:

Van Tormohlen gave his architectural expertise to us for the potential building of a North Sound Program Center based on the Tacoma Program Center, 2 story, 2100 sq ft/floor

- Build vs Renovate = Build Structure ~ \$150-200/sq ft (\$1 mil building); Renovate ~\$75-100/sq ft
- Land Feasibility Study; Property Zoning Requirements, Permitted Parking Requirements, Utility Connections (drains, gas, water, power), Bulk Requirements (setback restrictions, site coverage, sidewalks, no wetlands, slopes, setback from adjoining property wetlands, Fit the needed structure size to property footprint.
- Buying – what is it zoned for? Are needs met with existing detail?
- What are the “North Sound Program Center” Building Needs: Meeting rooms, offices, special needs, electronics, communications, indoor/outdoor, parking
- Soft Costs – design fees, mechanical/engineer’s designs, electrical engineers, structural engineers, permit fees, impact fees, utility connection fees, sales tax (10% of project)
- Budget – What can we afford?
- Working on a design – Build Basics: Running cost estimates during construction, shop for a contractor and work through project together, he will already have a cost proposal for the overall project, can lead us through the whole process
- Timeline: 3 months for design + 2-3 months for permitting + 6-8 months for construction. When to break ground?
- Check on Program Center buy in with a North Sound Program Center for assistance with investment of the Everett Branch Reserves and contingencies, if NSPC doesn’t happen by 2020, would Everett be allowed to use the funds another way?
- TABLED until further details from Matt is known

Other uses for Everett’s Reserves – long term rental (lease) for our needs. This would be an investment but would not “break the bank”

Committee Updates:

Treasurer (Jodi):

- 2018 Budgeted Amounts: \$45,927 expenses and \$74,195 revenue, first 4 months of the fiscal year.

- Expenses to date are \$13,282 way below our budgeted amount.
- Future Spending Plans/Budget will be projected more on prior year actual spending rather than what we think our spending will be.

Banquet (Bern):

- Names of potential chairs – Darleen Webber – may be a perfect candidate for this event; possible communications too)
- Carrie will help to train the incoming chair
- Need a speaker for the event

Membership (Doris):

- Annual Salmon Bake (1st Sunday of October)
- Include a parking fee donation to Masonic Park instead of \$5 per person at gate, similar to last year's \$200 donation

Sea Kayak (Bill):

- Basic: 20 students filled Mid-January, had 2 back out, 1 currently wait-listed
- Curriculum is being reviewed – does it need refreshing; 4-3hr lecture sessions; 1 pool session and 2 student paddles.
 - Will not be present training as Seattle Program Center does: 1-8 hr lecture session then student paddle.
- Navigation meeting to dissect and rebuild the Sea Kayak Navigation on Water Training Session
- Intermediate Course: Student has up to 5 years to complete requirements, usually accomplished in 1-2 yrs.
- Holiday Party went well
- Sea Kayak Summit with all other Sea Kayak Programs to improve overall level of training

Nordic Ski (Bill):

- 28 students; 5 openings
- Curriculum: 2 lectures; 2 field trips – Lake Wenatchee and Stevens Nordic Center

Climbing (Ian):

- Basic starts next week; 50 students enrolled; 28 waitlisted
- Permit Process with Forest Service is still a problem
- Seattle climbing requires Scrambling as a pre-requisite for their basic climbing course

Hiking / Backpacking (Nic):

- Meeting summit at Tacoma Program Center
 - Recommend WFA and Navigation for leaders
 - 20 routes listed as Hike or Scramble – Conditional on Leaders Judgement
 - No skills badge for Hiking / Backpacking, need to institute a badge system evaluating requirements to be a leader

- Backpacking could be a Scramble or a Climb
- Make courses available
- What are the requirements for becoming a new leader?
- Urban hikes – vests, lights
- Need for more easy hikes
 - Students registering for these are high in cancellations and no-shows
- Global Adventures
 - Outside the Continental US, Alaska, Hawaii or Canada
 - Leader must front reservation money for it
 - No insurance coverage

Lookout and Trail Maintenance (Bruce):

- Lord Hill: 128 hours stewardship; 40 hours volunteer
- Pilchuck: 370 hours stewardship; 75 hours volunteer
- National Trails Day: 410 hours stewardship; 65 volunteer hours
 - Need more help getting committee members
 - Would like 3 trips up 3 Fingers and 4 trips up Pilchuck for Maintenance and Repairs
 - No longer involved with Haybrook Lookout

Scrambling (Andy):

- 30 students; 5 openings
- Curriculum starts February 24th – 5 lectures; 3 field trips
- Leadership has had monthly meetings on Course Preparations; What's Missing
- Scrambling Summit was in November – lots of leaders for field trips; not enough leaders for lectures; have experienced leader assistance.

Snowshoe (Andy):

- 15 students; 10 openings
- Curriculum: 2 lectures; 1 field trip

Navigation (Andy):

- March 3rd and March 31st
- Instructor Courses are available for:
 - Navigation
 - Field Trip
 - Ice Climb Refresher, April 21st
 - Rope Skills Course

Back Country Ski / Avalanche (Elaina & Andy):

- Avy committee runs everything
- Large income for Everett
- Everett Avy is taught at the Seattle Program Center

- AIARE II training is next month for Elaina
- Instructor requirements have changed dramatically
- Currently there is no Back Country Ski Committee Chair

Branch Leadership Committee Meeting (Elaina)

- Dinner meeting with Tom Vogal for the executive committee members (and +1 guest)
- Tom's Available Dates: February 6th and February 22nd
 - ExCom Membership split evenly on attending either date

Meeting closed: 9:05pm

Bill moved, Nic seconded