Mountaineers Exec Committee Meeting 9-20-18

Attending:

Don Sarver (new Everett safety officer) Darleen Webber (sno Isle) Jodi Stebbins Elaina Jorgensen Nick Mayo Barry Hershly Louis Coglas Matt Vadnal

Nic Tormohlen Liz Dawson Dennis Miller Bernadette Lamarca Andy (via speaker) Bruce Justin S. Doris Hatton

Meeting called to order @ 7:03.

Committee updates:

Andy: Scrambling. Lot of people did not sign up for First Aid in time. Of 40 students, 20 are graduating. 2 New leaders.

Nick M: Climbing. New app process for basic climbing course this year. New committee members. 3 new climb leaders.

Barry: - BC ski. Classes will be at Seattle Prog Center. Will start with 12 people for 1st class.

Louis: LOTM. Worked on Pilchuck this summer 4 2-day trips. Shudders, painting. 560 stewardship hours + 60 volunteer hrs. 2000 hrs stewardship hrs, 200 vol hrs for the years.

Nic: Hiking/Backpacking. Not much to report. Will get backpacking going next spring. Need to recruit new hike leaders.

Liz: First Aid & Awards Banquet. Last FA course was in June. WFA dates for next year: March 2-3, April 6-7, May 18-19. Considering adding 4th session, Liz will consult with Andy T and Nick M to get best dates for 4th session.

<u>Awards Banquet</u>: Friday, Nov 2, Seattle Program Center. Bill Coady is M.C. Elaina will speak. Catering is above our budget. Working on how to reduce cost. POssible option for Mountaineers do desserts, apps, and alcohol to reduce cost. Reach out to volunteers on FB pages to help with desserts. <u>Liz needs photos for slideshow, needs list of course graduates from course leaders by 15 October.</u> Jodi, Darleen, Bruce and Louis volunteer to help. Exec Comm OKs no cash bar, just beer and wine. Liz will prepare a banquet blurb and send to committee chairs to put on FB pages.

Justin: Communications Committee AND Sea Kayaking (for Bill Coady).

<u>Sea Kayaking:</u> 16/19 from kayaking class graduated. Annual party at Bill's house in December. Dates for 2019 class will be available fairly soon. Intermediate class has 7 students registered, they had 4 events in 2018.

<u>Communications</u>: Exploring possible Instagram account for Mountaineers, need to figure out how it would be managed. Newsletter -- if you have a blog or paragraph about an activity you did or will do, let Justin know. Newsletter is sent 4th day of Month. Get stuff to Justin by 2nd day of Month. Longer submissions need more time. If committees have someone who likes to post a lot of stuff, please refer them to Justin. Would be good to have someone from each committee be the communications liaison.

Darleen: Program Director. New to the position. Coordinates open houses. Will tell about her trip to the Dolomites in May.

Doris: Membership. Salmon bake is October 7. She'll get salmon from Costco. Jodi will bring corn and potatoes. Keg will be Diamond Knot. Stewardship hours available if students volunteer.

Larry Ingles Service Award: Committee is Bern, Doris and Bruce. If you want to nominate someone, send their name and blurb about why you're nominating to Doris by October 7th.

Don Sarver. New Everett Branch Safety Officer. Had major injury accident on Little Tahoma. July 9, 2017. Published in Rock and Ice back in May. Running his real life accident scenario in the MFA class. It is important to engage accident victims and their families to get the full story after an accident. Reach out to them and give support.

Jodi: Treasurer. Revenue: \$86,018, Expenses: \$52,310. Still finalizing FY 2019 Budget.

Matt: Director, Chair of Ad Hoc Comm for North Sound Prog Center

- 1. On Thurs Oct 25 there will be a Luncheon 12-2 pm, for 25+ yr members. @ UCC on Rockefeller in Everett. Supported by Development at program center. Tom Vogel and Amber Carrigan are coming up from Seattle for the Event.
- 2. Branch leadership course is Saturday November 17. All day, excellent program.

Concept Proposal for North Sound Program Center (NSPC).

Draft presentation sent to Exec Comm by Matt yesterday. There will be a road Trip to Tacoma Program Center Sunday, Sept 23 to meet with architect. This is the biggest project we've undertaken. Process has 4 Phases. Right now we're nearing the end of phase 1. P 1: concept proposal, P2: detailed proposal, P3: Funding P4: Execute.

Committee Members:

- Matt Vadnal
- Carol Bermon (active in scrambling committee, retired accountant)
- Bruce Wolverton
- Liz Dawson (relatively new, joined 2011, Fish Biologist)
- Mike Hendrickson (homebuilder, lots of technical expertise)
- Rob Holman (intermediate climbing chair, IT exec)

Why now? A confluence of factors.

- Vision 2022 (5 yr strategic plan of Mountaineers): Part of that vision is to have new program centers beyond Seattle and Tacoma. Engage Future Mountaineers.
- N. Sound demographics: Everett and Sno Co are some of the fastest growing areas of the U.S.
- Desire to expand N Sound programming: Youth outreach (we're not currently doing this), important to serve underprivileged youth.
- Snoqualmie Funds: Some years ago we had a lodge at Snoqualmie Pass which burned down. Property was recently sold for \$1.1 million. That money is to be used for capital investments. It is not a given that it will go to NSPC -- there are many competing projects for these funds --but NSPC is submitting a proposal. Several other branches are submitting proposals for program centers. Seattle PC also wants some of that money to expand in their basement.

<u>Four Program Center Options</u>: 1. Do nothing. 2. Community Partnership 3. Buy existing building and retrofit 4. Build new.

Matt has meeting October 9 with Boealps (climbing club at Boeing) to talk about potential partnership . Also need to talk with City of Everett about having them build climbing wall in new park that will be next to the new Everett YMCA. If you don't charge for use, you're not liable for injuries. That's how skate parks, public playgrounds can exist.

Possible Funding: 1.3 million Snoqualmie Funds 110,000 Everett Branch Reserve 2.5 million 2058 Fund Seattle Branch

Teaching and Gathering Places sub committee of Mountaineers Board will set criteria for project proposals. Need finished proposal to this committee by **end of October**. Committee proposes to present Option 3 or 4.

Seattle Program Center has very robust youth program that brings in revenue. How much is being generated? That should be noted in our proposal as potential revenue for NSPC. Carl Mars is Youth Prog Director for Mountaineers.

Dennis: To be successful our proposal needs to have something that other branches do not.

Matt moves that his previous motion, submitted via email to the Exec Comm on 9/19/2018, be tabled.

<u>Next steps:</u> Exec Comm needs to discuss use of reserves for pending activities, then put the remainder toward the program center. Once everything is together, it is possible to vote by proxy, since Exec Comm not meeting again until November.

Barry moved to adjorn, Nick M seconded, meeting adjourned 9:10 pm.