Everett Mountaineers Business Meeting Notes — August 7, 2002

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Request for someone to fill in as scribe for absent secretary Chris Davidson away on business.

Welcome to the meeting by Penny.

Review of the meeting minutes

Trustees Report - Roy Metzgar

- Board projects that the club will be running a deficit. Membership is slowly decreasing as the membership ages.
- The board took action to close all rope tows at the Snoqualmie Lodge permanently.
- Board is looking to increase the membership dues. Question was proposed to the group would you pay \$3.00 more for the conservation group.

Note: (Don) It would have cost \$10,000 to update the Snoqualmie Lodge rope tows. The bigger concern is with the Meany Lodge rope tows. The climbers insurance is a rider policy on the ski lift insurance. If the ski lifts would close the climbing insurance could increase from \$70,000 to \$250,000 per year.

<u>Treasures Report — Brian Hench for Don</u>

• Total club assets amount to \$139,637.04 and Net Income was (\$2905.36) for May and year to date income is (\$995.50).

Committee Reports

Alpine Scrambling — Sherri Chisarik — Strong Scrambling Committee with 13 members setting course dates for the class. The Snowshoe class is being restructured. Thoughts are welcome. Seattle has a separate committee for this class. Course does well with members and non-members.

First Aid — Written note from Duane Sandrin — Long-term partnership with the Snohomish County Search and Rescue. No final proposal to the committee. Would like to purchase audio-visual equipment to aid in the class. Next MOFA course at Meany Lodge 8/24 & 8/25.

Climbing — Brian Hench - At committee meeting last night the proposal to donate \$20,000 to the Sherman rock restoration was approved.

Conservation - No report.

Folk Dance - No Report.

Hiking - George Chambers — Hiking party Oct 12th Buzz Pintlers s house. Squire Creek Trail had a huge land slide which adds 3.5 miles to the trip.

Look-out and Trail Maintenance - Don Hierman — Heybrook is nearly complete despite some vandalism (windows) last year which had set the project back. Forest service is looking for people to spend time in the look-out until they can rent it out. Maintenance on Three Fingers has been cancelled this year, due to a wash out on the approach road.

Membership - Penny Barker — Club at 1,000 members looking for someone to take over membership committee.

Singles - Connie Arnott - Meeting 2nd Wednesday @ 7:00 PM at Alfy s Pizza to plan upcoming events. See Go Guide for information.

Skiing — Connie Anderton — Scheduling class for the end of next month. Also looking for new members.

Social Committee —Ruthanna for Connie- She stated that Connie has one more month as the social coordinator. Banquet will be November 9th at Mill Creek starting at 5:00 PM. Tony is organizing the salmon bake for Sunday October 6th at the Masonic Park. Free to the Everett members.

Communication— Russell Dills — Looking at modifying the Everett web site. There are three versions to make navigation easier. Other upgrades we will be looking at: controlled access area, trip reports, minutes getting posted, e-mail newsletter, and the awards records are no longer available.

Old Business

• The secretary s position is open. Chris Davidson is nominated for Vice Chair and Phil Prince is nominated for Trustee.

Announcements

- Mark Samuelson Gear Testing Marking Director is looking for members to test the new line of outdoor gear for 2 months free of charge. After the two-month period, the gear can be purchased at a 25% reduced price.
- Next month s program: Doug Loraine, author of Backpacking in Washington

Meeting Adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Chris Davidson