**Everett Mountaineers – Alpine Scrambling Committee Minutes**

 Regular Monthly Meeting      via Zoom November 14, 2022 – 7 pm-9:00 pm

Attendance via Zoom:

Matt S., Christine L., Mark B., Brian B., Lydia, Piyush, Tom Z., Lyle H., Bob M., Jane, Kristen C., Melanie V., Swapnil, Mike R.

**Agenda Items and Minutes: (Minutes in bold text)**

**Agenda**

1. Review actions from last meeting:
   1. Matt to follow up with Snowshoe and Navigation course leaders: **Matt has checked in with leaders. All feel they are in good shape with their courses.**
   2. Richard to manage points for passes. – **Not discussed**
   3. Matt to finish course posting. Find new picture, pay for lodge. (course posted with new picture, working payment with Amalija) **All actions have been completed.**
2. Lydia to find volunteers by contacting lecturers from last year. (Lydia is working) – **See Item 6c.**
3. Review of committee roster & open positions [Meeting Coordinator] – **Matt updated Scramble Committee Positions spreadsheet. Snow FT April 23-24, Rock FT April 8th, March 24th for Slab FT, Melanie Vargo volunteered to be meeting coordinator.**
4. Snowshoe Status – **1st lecture February 2nd, FT on February 11th at Grace Lakes**
5. Navigation Status -
6. 2023 Course planning
   1. Course posted – **opens December 3rd (aligns with Seattle)**
   2. Emergency descent gear – need someone to purchase – **Lydia will purchase this.**
   3. Lecture planning – status? Discussion with Lydia – **Updated lecturers and dates. Class coming together nicely.kr**
   4. Field trip leaders needed for Rock and Snow - **Andy T. for Rock, Brian B. for Snow. Both tentative.**
   5. Rock Field trip – need to reserve Arts Center Parking Lot - **Matt to take care of this.**
   6. Need to email potential instructors to save the dates – **Matt to email potential instructors with Save the Date info.**
   7. Course Handbook Updates? – **Mark will update Handbook to eliminate dates. Take out Covid comments.**
   8. Field trip feedback forms – same as last year? – **No changes noted.**
   9. Gear Night Status? – **Matt to set up after talking to Andy T.**
   10. First lecture is on 2/14 – anyone opposed to moving it? **Moved to 2/15**
7. Scramble Graduation Applications – 32 applications received – as of 11/9/2022 – **25 graduates and 7 deferrals – one student did not respond despite multiple emails**
8. Class survey results from 8 students – reminder sent with request of 11/13 – **Reviewed responses. All positive reviews. No rating lower than an 8.**
9. Winter Scramble Seminar – **Andy T agreed to conduct a virtual seminar – date 12/20/2022**
10. Scramble Summit recap
    1. No changes to Club Scramble Standards or Scramble Charter
    2. Leadership application form – attempt to make the process more transparent – one small step might be to add a link to the leadership path on the website – do we want to participate in sending our application to Craig? **No decision reached.**
    3. Tacoma uses a leadership “course” to qualify leaders – **Generally decided that we don’t have enough potential leaders to enact a process to qualify leaders.**
    4. Avalanche Awareness online training developed by Travis Prescot for course – **Matt showed what is available. Good training if Andy or Lyle aren’t available.**
    5. Tacoma has an awesome website (Tacomascrambling.org) – also they have a First Aid and Navigation built into their class – **Matt gave a tour of the website.**
    6. Use of applications has been mixed. Mostly is a terms and conditions agreement, but people still don’t read everything – **FYI item. No change recommended for Everett**
    7. Foothills and Tacoma have strict policies around refunds – **FYI item. No change recommended for Everett.**
    8. Foothills uses Points 4 Passes to pay for courses for volunteers
11. Award Banquet Recap
    1. 7 Students attended
    2. Brian, Evan, and Atsuko were our top leaders for last year
    3. Points for Passes top earners: Brian, Evan, Kelsey
    4. Nick Mayo is new Branch Leader
12. Treasurer – **No update. All good**
13. Safety Advisor – **Lots of water accidents this year. Possible updates should be made to Freedom of the Hills regarding stream crossings.**
14. Leadership Coordinator – **Discussion of offering the Ice Axe Arrest workshop. Need to look into dates that Seattle and Foothills are using Skyline Ridge. Matt to look into this.**
15. Equipment Coordinator – **No update**

**New Action Item log:**

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| Agenda Item | Action Items |
| Agenda Item 6b:  Agenda Item 6e:  Agenda Item 6f:  Agenda Item 6g:  Agenda Item 6i: | * **Lydia to purchase Emergency descent gear.** * **Matt to reserve parking lot** * **Matt to email potential instructors** * **Mark to update Handbook.** * **Matt to set up after talking with Andy T.** |
| Agenda Item 14: | * **Matt to determine dates for Ice Axe Arrest workshop.** |