Kitsap Mountaineers Executive Committee
October 14, 2021 Meeting Minutes

In Attendance: Debbee Lynn, Branch Chair; Gretchen Ta, Branch Vice-Chair; Christine Grenier, Secretary; Jerry Logan, Board of Directors; Ciara Sampaio (*arrived 6:56 PM*), Member At-Large; and Tom Finley, Member At-Large.

Also present: Chase Gruszewski, Steve Anderson, Mark Goodro, Ed Lucas, Larry Walker, Mike Harlow, Climbing; Jordan Knott, Navigation (also Intermediate Climbing); Crystin Stingle (Secretary Elect); and Ryan Vancil (Member At-Large Elect).

The following Board Members were absent: Bill Bandrowski, Treasurer; and Eric Lee, Member At-Large.

Meeting was convened at 6:30 PM via Zoom.

Chair kicked off the meeting with a Native Lands Acknowledgement; asked attendees ‘what color do I feel like today’; shared the flyer for the Annual Celebration on October 23 in Allyn; and reminded everyone to forward presentations and names of leaders to be recognized to Gretchen or Ed.

Previous Business

Motion to approve September 23, 2021 Meeting Minutes was made by Gretchen and seconded by Chase. Motion carried unanimously.

New Business

Chair then announced the Branch Officers would be formally approved at the Annual Meeting; and the Activity Chairs assignments are almost completely confirmed:

2021 – 2022 Executive Committee

 Kitsap Branch Chair **–** Gretchen Ta

 Kitsap Branch Vice-Chair **–**John Mackey

 Kitsap Branch Treasurer **–**Bill Bandrowski

 Kitsap Branch Secretary **–**Crystin Stingle

 Kitsap Branch Board Representative **–**Jerry Logan

 Kitsap Branch Member At Large 1 **–**Ciara Sampaio

 Kitsap Branch Member At Large 2 **–**Thomas Finley

 Kitsap Branch Member At Large 3 **–**Eric Lee

 Kitsap Branch Member At Large 3 **–**Ryan Vancil

2021 – 2022 Activity Chairs

Kitsap Safety Officer **–**Nathan Starr

Gear Officer/Chair **–**Thomas Finley

Kitsap Climbing Program Chair **–**Ralph Wessels

Kitsap Intermediate Climbing Chair**–** Jerry Logan

Kitsap Intermediate Climbing Co-Chair **–**Mike Harlow

Kitsap Intermediate Climbing Co-Chair **–**Ryan Vancil

Kitsap Intermediate Climbing Co-Chair **–**Mark Goodro

Kitsap Basic Alpine Course Co-Chair (Admin) **–**Ed Lucas

Kitsap Basic Alpine Course Co-Chair (Glacier) **–**Eric Enges

Kitsap Basic Alpine Co-Chair (Fundamentals) **–**Larry Walker

Kitsap Basic Alpine Course Co-Chair (Rock) **–**   Gretchen Ta

Kitsap Alpine Scrambling Committee Co-Chair **–**Nathan Starr

Kitsap Alpine Scrambling Committee Co-Chair **–**Suzy Diesen

Kitsap Trail Running Chair **–**Ward Ralston

Kitsap Trail Running Chair **–**Mark Goodro

Kitsap Youth Outreach **–**Debbee Maraglio-Lynn

Kitsap Youth Outreach **–**Gala Lindvall

Kitsap Hiking & Backpacking Chair **–** Christine Grenier (until relieved)

Kitsap Naturalists Committee Chair **–**Phil Chebuhar

Kitsap Conservation & Stewardship Co-Chair **–**Debbee Maraglio-Lynn

Kitsap Conservation & Stewardship Co-Chair **–**Gretchen Ta

Kitsap Mountaineering-Oriented First Aid Chair **–**Gretchen Ta

Kitsap Navigation Co-Chair **–** Tina Fox

Kitsap Navigation Co-Chair **–** Jordan Knott

Kitsap Sea Kayaking Committee Chair **–**Barney Bernhard

Kitsap Forest Theater & Cabin Co-Chair **–**Gala Lindvall

Kitsap Forest Theater & Cabin Co-Chair **–**Brian Lindvall

Kitsap Mountaineers Arts Chair **–**David Burton

Kitsap Mountaineers Photography Chair **–**Dave Johanson

Kitsap Snowshoeing Committee Chair – TBD

Chair Reports
Gear – Tom announced that he, Jerry and Christine would be conducting the annual inventory check by year-end at the Program Center.

Motion to purchase an electronic rope cutter for the branch (pending confirmation with Treasurer regarding budget) was made by Tom and seconded by Chase. Motion carried unanimously.

Hiking – Christine will work with leader candidates to onboard; and continue outreach for expanding leadership.

Trail Running – Mark will be attending the Trail Running Summit early December.

Navigation – Jordan announced that the Navigation Course has wrapped up with 16 students; and following the Annual Summit that was held late October, it was agreed that a Navigation Council will include Chairs from each branch.

MOFA – Gretchen announced the next MOFA Course will be on January 29-30 at the Program Center.

Climbing/Scrambling – Chase was pleased that there are now 2 more climb leaders which will help the leadership structure; and announced the Annual Summit at the end of the month. Ed shared that the Basic Course is full with a waitlist; and there’s an ongoing conversation on COVID guidelines for indoor/outdoor programs. Jerry added that for the Intermediate Course, support is being developed for the modules; and a smaller class size is being considered. Mark noted that spring trips are being planned for the Rock Course, likely from March to May. Chase briefly discussed the Alpine Ambassadors Program (skills development for climbing volunteers), which is being planned for Canmore, BC; and applicants are welcome.

Conservation & Stewardship – Gretchen announced a tentative trash pick-up in the Olympics; and Debbee shared that John Foltz is working on partnerships for stewardship opportunities (i.e Harper Park); and routine events are needed.

Debbee thanked everyone for their contributions to branch leadership; and announced the next meeting on Saturday, October 23 beginning at 1:00 PM.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:27 PM.