

Officer Committee Meeting
Olympia Center

August 10th, 2016

Attendance

Officers:

- Brian List, Chair
- Andy Weber, Chair Elect
- Derek Pierson, Secretary
- Henry Romer, Director
- Donna Kreuger, Social Chair
- Greg Lovelady, Member at Large

Members:

- Bob Keranen
- Janette Zumbo
- Kurk

Brian List called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

- > Greg Lovelady moved to approve the July and August minutes, Donna Kreuger seconded and the motion passed.

Current Business:

Greg Lovelady handed out a copy of a planning calendar that he is in the process of creating. It lists current events by month as well as the inclusion of committee reports. He also asked for feedback on his calendar and suggests we look at things like, did he use the correct wording, and what months course chairs would prefer for specific course related bullet items like reports.

Henry Romer suggests we focus on preparing results from our main courses. He recommends a couple of months before our courses we take a look at things like the budget impact, enrollment vs drop out rate, etc so we have an idea on what to expect in the upcoming year.

Donna Kreuger suggested sending an email out to the general membership if we are still looking for ideas on what to spend the "reserve funds" on.

Brian List said that we have close to four years to spend our reserve fund.

Janette Zumbo said that the first meeting for progressive climbing was held in July and summarized the town hall survey that was sent out. She said the group consisted of, six branch members, one from each branch, six leaders from the outdoor community that are not part of the mountaineers, and three members from the Steering Committee.

Bob Keranen said that there are 15 climbers out of 32 on track to graduate this year. He suggests creating a course like the Seattle cragging course.

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Kimberly Pohlman said we are in the process of finalizing how to set up the banquet. She also said that she and Brian List have a call with Tom and Jeff to walk through revenue assumptions in the near future.

Bob Keranen said that this year we were unable to fill the September MOFA course and ended up moving the people who did sign up into the October class. This would have been the third course for 201. Now we are back to two.

Officer Reports

Social Chair: Donna Kreuger said that the picnic is scheduled for August 18th at 5pm, the open house is scheduled for January 5th and the banquet is scheduled for October 29th. She also said that at the picnic there will be beverages as some food provided. Donna also said that she's heard from a few people that are still not getting the E-Blasts. She also said that the banquet speaker is Robert Kandiko and has requested 5 guests, one of which is Mike Helms.

The board discussed, and agreed to allow Robert Kandiko three guests including Mike Helms.

Director: Henry Romer said they are in the process of rolling out an fE-Learning and they are currently piloting the navigation course. He said that among other things he can see plenty of pitfalls with the E-Learning program. Henry also said there is a new Compensation Committee and they are updating the global adventures program. He also said that an outside firm has been hired to audit the clubs programs and incidents. Henry also said that they are putting the president of a teenage youth program on the board to promote youth getting involved with the club. He also said Tom Vogal is attempting to hire a director of operations.

Member at Large: Greg Lovelady said that in the next month or so, he will again begin circulating requests for information on branch committees. He also said that at some point committee and activity leads should review our branch policies which are roughly 100 pages outlining our committees and activities. Greg also said we are in the process of putting together another photo contest.

Chair: Brian List said he recently had a phone conference where he had a technical issue and was unable to really get much out of the conference. He also said the Collaborations Task Force report currently has no driver and has fallen to the wayside. Brian also said that the pricing committee is under pressure to help with the coming budget. He also said the committee is looking at basing the prices on the Seattle market and then adjusting the other branches' fees based on mean income. Brian also suggested three tiers, Seattle being one and Tacoma then Olympia being the lowest income tier.

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Henry Romer suggested looking at comparable courses offered outside of the mountaineers for determining course price, competitive market price. He hopes that the goal behind such diligence in pricing isn't only to increase profit and that a full justification will be required before any drastic change happens.

Bob Keranen said that he hopes increasing prices is not done solely to lower enrollment for programs that are overfilled like Seattle's climbing program. He said Olympia's climbing course is not yet at capacity so charging more would be unnecessary. Bob also mentioned that the olympiamountaineers.org website still needs to exist because there is not yet a solution to having a working calendar and library on the main club website.

Brian List adjourned the meeting at 7:37 PM.

The next meeting is September 14th at 6:00 PM at the Olympia Center.