

**Officer Committee Meeting**  
Olympia Center

February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2016

## Attendance

### Officers:

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

### Members:

- Dixie Havlack
- Carla Jonientz

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

## Announcements:

Brian List said that we have a gear sale coming up on February 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Columbia Hall which will include for the first time a partnership with The Gear Exchange. He suggests that our branch authorize a budget for youth programs to look at the possibility of purchasing gear there.

Brian List said that due to unforeseen circumstances Timmy Williams who was nominated for Vice President of Branches is no longer able to run and Tab Wilkins has been nominated in his place.

## New Budget Process:

Brian List said that he received an email recently stating that our branch's "building fund" has been absorbed as of November 2015. He also said that course pricing and budget is now going to be handled by a committee in accord to the new budget process. He is looking into how we can get an Olympia member on that committee.

Andy Weber suggested mentioning something to the course chairs about the absorption of the reserve fund, so that they can think accordingly for potential budgeting in the future.

Greg Lovelady asked about the process that is required to propose a budget for a new program in the new system which would be applicable to the branch youth program.

Kimberly Pohlman said she would look into this and report back.

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Kimberly Pohlman asked if there has been any discussion regarding how to handle receiving large gifts in the future.

Henry Romer, in reply to Kim said that the new budgeting process does look at incoming funds but “gifts” are fairly new and he is not sure anything is in place to handle it currently. He hopes the new executive directory / CEO understands and addresses this.

## Officer Reports:

**Treasurer:** Kimberly Pohlman said that she is looking into what our final amount of money will be as of November 2015. She also said that she was able to get a general ledger from Jeff our contact at the Program Center but is in the process of formatting it for general consumption. She also said she plans to talk with Mike Riley about 2016/17 budgeting.

**Social Chair:** Donna Kreuger said that the banquet is scheduled for Saturday, October 29 and she will be talking to saint martins about the last two years of food issues in hopes they can be resolved for the upcoming banquet. She is also looking at possibly inviting Bob Kandiko to talk at the banquet. Donna also said there is a new hiking leadership seminar on March 29<sup>th</sup>. She also mentioned that we are probably going to have to look at setting up a Communications Committee just to manage our E-Blasts, Facebook, etc.

Brian List said that he reached out to Regena Robinson about handling our branch E-Blasts since Michael Mellors is stepping down.

\* Derek Pierson said that he will write up what he sees this Communications Committee doing and present it to the board.

**Chair Elect:** Andy Weber said that a nominations committee which consists of, Michael Mellors, Brian Vardure and Lorali Felklin is in place and is looking to make sure they have all of the positions that are up for election on the radar. He also said if anyone has suggestions to please send them to him (or any one of the members he listed on the committee).

**Secretary:** Derek Pierson asked about what the best course of action for the missing December meeting minutes is. It was discussed and agreed that he will post the agenda for that meeting in it's place.

**Director:** Henry Romer said that at the Managing Board meeting it was decided that Jeff Lorance be the new president, he would have been Branch President of Properties prior. Jeff's first meeting/retreat will be on March 19<sup>th</sup> as the new president. Henry also said that Lorna Corrigan was elected to President Elect and a new Secretary Kerry Porter, Treasurer Brian Young, Vice President of Properties Tom Varga and Director at Large Steve Mclure

were elected. Henry also said that the sale on the Snoqualmie property is proceeding and is being sold to the ski areas. He mentioned a rumor that he heard about the possibility of the club purchasing land in Leavenworth Washington.

**Member at Large:** Greg Lovelady said that he has setup a Recognitions Group consisting of, Andy Weber, Bob Kerenan, Brian List and himself which will look and work similar to leadership advancement and plans to send out a survey about what forms of recognition people would like to see.

**Chair:** Brian List said that he manned the booth at the “Big Tent” event and was impressed with the diversity of the crowd at the event, there was everything from snowmobilers, climbers to hikers, etc.

### Old Business:

Greg Lovelady proposed sending the rules proposal out in two parts. Part one would be a split format, on one side the page would show the original and the other the changes. Part two would be a link to a ballot where branch members could vote on each proposed change. He also suggests providing these materials to branch members via email.

Henry Romer said that normally a vote is submitted via a pamphlet that is sent out which contains a how to / mock up of the actual ballot and the proposal text.

- > Greg Lovelady moves to send the rules out in a split format, via email including a survey, Brian List seconded and the motion passed.

Carla Jonientz said that the hiking committee has two things going on, one being the youth outreach headed by Dixie Havlak and the other being Family Hiking which Carla is spearheading. She said that Family Hiking plans to focus on enhancing what we already have. In doing so, Carla believes it may cost the branch some money in the form of generating “passports” to give out to participants as well as pins for the kids recognizing achievements such as, elevation, miles, etc. She also says a budget would also include such things as reserving locations with covered areas at parks, etc. Carla also noted that with the new programs an adult must always be present on a family hike.

**Brian List adjourned the meeting at 8:00 PM.**

The next meeting is March 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM at the Olympia Center.