

Officer Committee Meeting
Olympia Center

June 08th, 2016

Attendance

Officers:

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

Members:

Brian List called the meeting to order at 6:18 PM.

- > Kimberly Pohlman moved to approve the April and May minutes, Henry Romer seconded and the motion passed.

Current Business:

Henry Romer said the Gear Rental Committee consists of himself Brian, Dixie Havlak and Kurt Rosler. He also said it has been discussed that the Gear Exchange downtown be used as a gear rental location. He said Kurt has spoken with Joe Hier about a gear rental partnership. Henry said that the kayaking gear comes from Isiqua and as far as climbing is concerned there are stores like Whitaker Mountaineering in Ashford. He also said that the youth program has been talking with Washington Trails Association about their gear program. Henry drafted a letter to Chris Williams at the program center in regards to the gear rental program. He suggests that we use our "reserve fund" to facilitate the initial investment in gear and that Joe recommended we focus on hard goods like, boots, skies, ice axes, etc.

- * Henry Romer and Kurt Rosler will discuss with the Gear Exchange and purpose a contract at the next meeting.

Greg Lovelady asked about who will handle management oversight for the inventory.

Andy Weber said that the Olympia Branch rules are outdated on the main website. He also said that there is a "By Laws" document on the branch website and wonders if this should be labeled "rules" instead. Andy also said that the program center is still trying to align the election cycle across branches.

- * Derek Pierson will update the club website's rules document if it is outdated.

Henry Romer said that The Governance Committee should weigh in on the election dates as well as the officers of each branch. He said he will contact the committee and get the official word.

Officer Reports

Chair Elect Andy Weber said he is thinking about holding a two week voting cycle for nominations. He also handed out the bios for the current candidates that were selected. Andy also said that him and Brian List attended the safety event at JBLM and it went well.

Director Henry Romer said that Steve Swanson is interested in professionalizing climbing in Washington and has labeled the initiative the "Progressive Outdoor Initiative". He also said Tom proposed starting with the climbing program, the first element of which is holding town hall meetings. Henry also said that he feels the goal is to make volunteering more rewarding to our volunteers. He also said eventually there will be metrics on which branches will be reviewed that include stats on enrollment, dropout and other numbers.

Dawn Thomas said she is worried about a cost increase for climbing due to the professionalization of instruction.

Treasurer Kimberly Pohlman said the investment budget has not been prioritized yet so nothing will be submitted this year. She also said that we should probably hold a special budget meeting before the week of the 20th of June to address any budgeting concerns. Kim also said she will not be at the next officers meeting. She also said the new budgeting software will be demoed at the next budget meeting.

Secretary Derek Pierson said that he modified the date format for the meeting minutes on the club website to the following more readable format, MMM DD instead of the YYYYMMDD which is the old file name sorting format that is no longer necessary in this day and age.

Member at Large Greg Lovelady said that there are two upcoming events one at the Hands on Childrens Museum and National Get Outdoors Day.

Brian List adjourned the meeting at 7:57 PM.

The next meeting is July 13th at 6:00 PM at the Olympia Center.