Olympia Branch Council

Meeting Minutes – 11/09/2022

Virtual zoom & Olympia Community Center

Attendees

Officers: Scott Carlson, Janette Zumbo, Elizabeth Spaulding, Becky Daughtry, Mike Kretzler, Virginia Haas Guests: Katja Hurt (virtual), Julie Dasso

Agenda Items

Meeting called to order at 6:05pm

Last month's (2022) October 12th minutes were approved with 2 corrections

Agenda Review /Norms Review/Call for additional Items: Janette Zumbo

- 1. Stick to the agenda
- 2. Be open to ideas
- 3. Address ideas not people
- 4. One speaker at a time
- 5. No side chatter
- 6. Okay to disagree, not okay to be disagreeable,
- 7. Respect each other's time

Activity chair report- Leadership: Katja Hurt

- Katja provided a favorable brief overview of the online Foundations of Leadership course available through the Mountaineers website and pointed out an in person options also available in Seattle. It was suggested there was no need for a separate Leadership committee and the Leadership chair could be absorbed into another position rather than function as a standalone. Possible advantages include optimizing limited volunteer resource. Katrina officially stepped down as the current chair.
- Other points of discussion
 - > The Olympia Branch Leadership course has come and gone over time
 - > What are the advantages of the Branch having it's own Leadership course?
 - Is Leadership included in the policies and procedures?
 - Issue to be deferred for future discussion

Activity chair report- Climbing: Julie Dasso

- Julie attended the climbing summit and reported that the climbing council charter was passed.
- 2023 climbing course is filling up with a 50/50 ratio of Olympia/Seattle students so far with hopes to be full at 24. Overall class size is 24 due to limits on group numbers for field trip permits.
- Climbing Executive Committee (CEC) policy draft reviewed and approved with changes to be incorporated into policies and procedures.

Officer Reports and Updates

Treasurer's Report

Deferred to next month.

Open House: Elizabeth Spaulding

St. Martins contract is ready for open house in January. Virginia is helping. Need content updates from program chairs for brochures and marketing materials. Volunteers needed and can RSVP on the website. The status will change from participant to volunteer. Attendees do not need to register.

Super volunteers update: Scott Carlson

Scott sent out list of Olympia Branch super volunteers provided by the PC for the committee chairs to review and 5 volunteers were identified to add to the list. This needs to be returned to PC the end of the month.

Program Center update: Scott Carlson

Themes of PC retreat last weekend- minutes are posted on Basecamp

- o Each branch needs to have their own charter
- Review of centralized management diagram paradigm addressing standardization throughout the organization.
- Need to identify pathways for process improvement
- Covid badge is gone

Listening session: Janette Zumbo

To be scheduled for member input and feedback

Board Meeting update: Mike Kretzler-

Revenue is 1 million more than last year, generated mostly from development and fund raising. They are adding equity and inclusion to the Leadership course and the scholarship program is being expanded. They will be working on the strategic plan at this weekend's retreat. The 2023 budget was approved.

Future Meetings: December 7th, 2022 on Zoom virtual platform- (rotating in person and on-line every other month until further notice.)

Reminder – eBlast submissions are due on the 15th of each month. (ReginaEblastolympiamountaineers@hotmail.com)

Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned at 7:08pm