

Olympia Branch Council

Meeting Minutes – 08/9/2023

Virtual through Zoom

Attendees

Officers: Janette Zumbo, Becky Daughtry, Beth Peden, Mike Kretzler, Elizabeth Spaulding, Mandi Maycumber
Guests: Terri Pressly, Becky Andrade, Donna Kreuger

Agenda Items

Meeting called to order at 6:01 PM

Last month's July minutes approved.

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

No additions to the agenda- no questions about the norms

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

[The Mountaineers Service Award – Nominate Here!](#)

This is the award given to the one volunteer in the entire organization who has contributed to the mission of The Mountaineers in a way that exceeds all expectations of our many exceptional volunteers. As an organization with thousands of incredible volunteers, we encourage you to nominate individuals whose unique contributions have made a deep, meaningful impact on the club. This is an organization-wide Service Award, as distinguished from the ones given within each distinct branch.

You are invited to nominate volunteers for their outstanding leadership in 2023! Each year, we recognize a handful of Mountaineers volunteers who have gone above and beyond in support of the organization. Please take a few moments to submit nominations for the following two org-wide awards. Nominations are due by September 2, 2023 and the final recipient for each award will be selected by the Board President, Board Vice President, and CEO in September. Awards will be presented to recipients during their branch banquets in the fall and winter.

[Leadership in Youth Education Award – Nominate Here!](#)

Established in 2015, the Martinique Grigg Leadership in Youth Education Award recognizes a volunteer who has contributed to our youth programs in a way that supports our efforts to ensure that youth have access to the outdoor experience and the many opportunities it provides.

Other business:

- Reminder! Course chairs need to update web page for the upcoming year.
- Dixie needs volunteers September 30th

Activity chair report (for chairs in attendance)

Conditioning Hiking Series:

Donna Kreuger (former course chair) confirmed, Steve Payne is stepping down and does not want to be a part of the selection process for his replacement. Terri Pressly and Becky Andrade are requesting the board form a search committee-they know of no one else to be course chair. They were advised that generally, course chairs are identified within the community of volunteers that have participated in the course and recommended a query in the conditioning hiking community.

Officer reports and updates

Chairman: Janette Zumbo

Nomination committee update:

Treasurer Jeremy Hogan

Director- Mike Riley

Chair elect- no result

The Board brainstormed ideas to fill the role and Mandi agreed to follow up. Procedure would be if there is no nominee at the time the Olympia Branch needs to submit candidate names to the program center the Board can appoint the role later.

Mandi brought up her request to change the date of the Board meeting from Wednesdays to another night of the week to accommodate her class schedule. This would require other changes such as meeting reservations at the Olympia Center.

Social Chairman: Elizabeth Spaulding

Update on two events October!

October 5th Olympia Branch Open House

October 21st Olympia Branch Annual banquet

- The venues are secured for both events. We still need to get the event page up on the website.
- For the banquet Mike Riley has been helping. The MC will be Mike McIntosh and a speaker is lined up.
- For the Open House spread the word to course chairs to begin preparing their brochures -but please do not put event dates on them due to amount of waste that had to be disposed of last year.

Future Meetings:

September 13th, 2023, at the Olympia Center

(rotating in person and virtual every other month until further notice)

Reminder – eBlast submissions are due on the 15th of each month.

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Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned at 6:47 PM