

## **Mountaineers Exec Comm 18 May 2017**

### **Attending:**

Bruce Wolverton  
John Sedro  
Bernadette Lamarc  
Louis Coglas  
Matt Vadnal  
Doris Hatton

Mark Glidden  
Bill Coady  
Jodi Stebbins  
Nic Tormohlen  
Elaina Jorgensen  
Carolyn Henri  
Evelyn Dudey

Jodi made motion to approve April 20 meeting minutes, Bill seconded. Minutes approved. Carolyn will not be at September 21 meeting, and Nic agreed to take the minutes for that meeting.

Ian Williams will be the new climbing chair. Mark will stay on as outgoing chair to ensure smooth transition.

Code of conduct during meetings...Main branch has this written down.

Bruce -- Thanks to everyone at search and rescue who went out and looked for Sandra Ingalls - 130 people came out.

### **Committee Updates:**

**Nic--Hiking:** Had a meeting to establish Goals: 1. Establish leader requirements. 2. Are we going to make WFA a requirement? 3. Lead 25 trips this year 4. Would like to offer conditioning hikes 5. How to increase number of trip leaders?

**Bill- Kayaking:** All classes are finished. 18 of 19 students have done 1 student paddle, several have done 2nd, some have signed up for several paddles. Two new leaders in mentoring phase.

Intermediate paddling class will be developed. Tacoma has taken lead on establishing intermediate badge, which has very involved, rigorous requirements. John Morton has volunteered to be chair of intermediate badge process and will coordinate development of new intermediate course along with Karen Kramer. Baker Lake 21-23 July, Kayak camp out. Not an official mountaineers activity, last year had 40 boats on the water. There is equivalency process for the basic course. The equivalency process for intermediate not as well defined. Several instructors interested in WFA, to be paid for by club as a pilot study.

**Mark -- Climbing:** Basic class going well. Final exam for the basic course going to be on same night that Bill Ashby is speaking. Attendance is required. Field trip to Leavenworth next weekend for leading on rock class. Other courses going really well.

**Doris-- Membership:-** Nothing new. Don't have regular meetings.

**Matt -- Nordic & Director-** Nordic report: 26 enrolled, 17 completed requirements. Good feedback about the course. Dates for next year's course have been chosen, decided to keep course fees the same (\$95). Decided which instructors to invite back.

Directors report: Meet every 2 months. Had a retreat in March. In Nov the directors group meets at Stevens Pass lodge. Coming up: New strategic plan through 2022. Will have town halls to get input. Timeline is to have a draft by Nov 2017 and have the plan approved by March 2018. Elaina is on the Vision 2022 committee. Issues discussed at March meeting: Who should our audience be? Answer: Current and emerging outdoor enthusiasts in PNW. Youth activities: Should we ramp up youth activities here in Everett? Toddler space at Seattle club house? No. Friction slabs are currently being built at program center, after some contractor issues delayed the project.

Death of a volunteer logger in Kitsap last fall. Reminder to make sure our volunteers are insured. If it's a regularly scheduled activity and you're a leader, you only have liability coverage. This Sunday there will be a tribute to Mary Anderson. Bill Ashby, Mountaineers COO, will be at Mountaineers membership meeting here in Everett on June 7.

Matt will try to convert the governance manual to an editable PDF.

**John Sedro--Scrambling:** 35 students, 2 students dropped, 2 postponed. Hardest part is getting WFA requirement done - classes fill up too fast. Struggling to get leaders to lead hikes; there's a small pool of people that volunteer across activity groups.

**Louie - LOTM:** No more hours since last month's report. Had one meeting last month. Had to cancel trail maintenance leadership course due to several people having to drop out.

Pilchuck road gate is open now. Will Repair and replace shutters and doors on Pilchuck Lookout. Louie requests people send him any reports they see about Pilchuck trail conditions.

National Trails Day event on June 3. Funeral Ladies in Darrington will provide food -- Meet at Darrington Ranger Station, send out crews, back to Darrington rodeo for feed. Two other groups will join for event: WCC and Bike Alliance group out of Bellingham, and Cascade Climbing Gym in Everett.

Three Fingers: Still snowing. Plan is in June to go up and check trail out, then plan work parties to get trail open.

**Bernadette:** Potluck will be August 2nd. Do not have monthly meetings. Discussion: Banff Film Festival: Can we get it here? Everett Historic Theater had it last year. Program Center said

they would help us if we want to host BFF. Already happening in Everett for 2017, what is benefit to us to get involved? Not that much - 3-4K profit, but also exposure in the community. Consider partnering with people who are hosting it. Already scheduled for Nov 29 and 30 @ historic Everett Theater. What about Radical Reels? No definitive actions decided.

**Jodi -- Treasurer's Report:-** Revenues \$82,898.50 expenses \$28,056.95 Have 23 K in unplanned funds. Everyone please get receipts to Jodi ASAP. FY is Oct 1 to Sept 30.

**Elaina--President's Report:** It's important to record hours that we are volunteering during branch leadership meetings. Exec Comm members should send those numbers to Elaina.

Anyone who wants Mountaineers business cards should send info to Elaina: Name, position, email, phone. Exec Comm members will each receive a jacket.

Spending branch reserves:. An ad hoc committee was formed last meeting to look into our options. The name of this group will be Reserve Proposal Ad hoc Committee. Elaina will have more feedback for spending committee after she meets with Tom Vogel on Monday. She will try to determine exactly what we can and can't do.

**Misc final discussions:** Need a sign-in list for general membership meetings so can contact potential new members. Doesn't need to be fancy, just a sheet of paper for people to put name, email, phone #.

Mark apologized for comments at last meeting.

Next Exec Comm meeting September 21.

September 6 Annual Branch membership meeting.

Award nominations - Elaina will follow up about a nominating committee for branch Awards.

Bill moved to adjourn, Louis seconded. Meeting adjourned 9:07.