July 16, 2019 Kitsap Mountaineers Executive Committee Meeting

Present: Jerry Logan (Chair); Bill Bandrowski (Vice-Chair), Christine Grenier (Secretary/Hiking & Backpacking), Jeff Schrepple (Treasurer), Sue Labrie (Board of Directors); Jeff Galey (Climbing); and Larry Walker (Scrambling)

Meeting was convened at 6:05 PM at the Program Center in Bremerton.

1. Motion was made by Sue and seconded by Jeff S. to approve the April 2, 2019 Meeting Minutes. Motion passed unanimously.
2. There was discussion on the potential slate of officers to be announced at the Annual Meeting:

Bill Bandrowski – Branch Chair

Marilyn Wright – Vice Chair

Christine Grenier – Secretary

To be filled – Treasurer

Jerry Logan – First Aid

Nathan Starr – Safety Officer

Barney Bernhard – Kayaking

To be filled – Climbing

To be filled – Scrambling

To be filled – Hiking/Backpacking

To be filled – Board Rep

Ciara Sampaio – At Large

David Burton – At Large

1. Jeff S. provided an update on Branch’s Fiscal Status. There is about $1,300 remaining for equipment; and $400 for volunteer recognition. Jerry suggested “pro link” pricing to get good deals. Jeff G. will check to see if climbing has any gear needs.

There was discussion about the Annual Meeting. Bill reported that alcohol cannot be at the Program Center due to Program Center zoning. We are penciled in for Kingston’s Village Green which does allow alcohol and does have a rental expense. Program Center event cost, not including volunteer recognition would be $0 and Village Green would be $390 (food not included). Jerry suggested that we could use this as an Open House, though the Program Center does not have as many amenities as Village Green. Jeff G commented that the event is not drawing outsiders. Bill added we would need to have a news article and ways to get word out into community to reach past membership. Jeff S. mentioned that the last event in Kingston was well attended. Larry commented that space is same but split, so it would be packed. Bill mentioned that we could up the bar; invite reporters; this is our home; but we need to watch occupancy for fire code compliance. Sue mentioned that we should make an effort to do things here; and that working with space by renting tables might make the space work well for the event. Larry also commented on the building capacity. Bill added there is potential for more attendance due to graduating climbing students. Jeff S. announced that people will need to get their reimbursement requests in as soon as possible to be in line with the fiscal year’s budget. Bill will check on folks to volunteer for set-up.

Motion was made to have the Annual Meeting at the Program Center on Saturday, September 28 from 3:00 to 6:00 PM at the Program Center by Jeff G. and seconded by Sue. Motion passed unanimously.

1. Reports were provided from the following:

Jerry – announced that the First Aid Course will be October 11 – 13 at the Program Center; and volunteers are needed. The cost is $170-$260.

Jeff G. – discussed WFA course Jefferson County Search & Rescue, who changed requirements and now want folks to take want folks to take EMS.

Bill – asked about the status on funds for climbing wall; Jerry reported that cooperation with Bremerton/application for wall at Pendergast Regional Park. There is a KETA Legacy issue and a lawsuit is underway. Now that Mountaineers is 501 (c)(3), we are losing funds to KETA. Jeff G. was not sure if we’ll see any of the funding originally set aside from the Altwein bequest. Sue/Jeff confirmed that there is about $116K remaining in the Altwein bequest. Jeff S. – confirmed that other branch projects were funded by donations; they did project management, but there were issues.

Jerry – has received great feedback on the Island Rock Gym partnership.

Christine – followed up on a draft leader survey. Following some adjustments, the survey will be provided to chairs to send to their rosters; and mentioned an incident report involving a slow hiker with an undisclosed injury/health issue.

Bill – asked about youth programs (Debbee hired by Mountaineers for youth programs).

Jeff S. – suggested that if anyone needs conservation credits towards graduation from a course, Maple Fire 8/13 Tuesday project with WTA (Hamma Hamma area).

Meeting was adjourned at 7:39 PM.