

Olympia Branch Council

Meeting Minutes – 6/9/2021

Teleconference

Attendees

Officers: *Neal Kirby, Bob Keranen, Dean Taylor, Mike Kretzler, Scott Carlson, Beth Peden*

Guests: *Greg Lovelady, Marko Pavela, Monty Pratt, Stephen Bao, Mike Riley, Dee Ann Kline*

Agenda Items

Meeting called to order at 6:00pm

Approval of May 2021 minutes

- The May minutes were approved by all

Change in By-Laws for Intermediate Climbing – Marko Pavela

- Marko has suggested some changes to align the by-laws with with Olympia branch practices. The board approved Marko's changes. Marko will update the branch policy document and send it to the secretary for posting.

Social Committee – Maxine Dunkelman

- The summer picnic is Thursday, August 4. The PC will send out one more e-blast announcing the picnic.

Volunteer Development and Recognition – Stephen Bao

- The Program Center has granted us \$7,500 for “volunteer development or recognition” and we have until Sept 30 to use it. The committee collected volunteer data and sent out a survey. The results were quite varied. A proposal on how to divide the funds was presented to the board and approved: \$4000 will be divided among various committees and \$3500 will be divided among 30 individuals. Details are available upon request.

Writing the Budget – Beth Peden

- Beth has completed the budget for 2022 and submitted it by the due date of June 1. Activity leaders did a great job providing their input and working with the treasurer. Nice work by all as this was a complicated task. The 2022 budget was approved by all.

Nominations Committee – Scott Carlson

- Char-elect, treasurer and social chair positions will be open this fall. An email survey received very little response. Mike Riley has offered to help. Scott's next step is to ask committee chairs for suggestions.

Supplies in Storage – Mike Riley

- Mike Riley has worked to identify what is in storage and what can be cleared out. Committees chairs should contact him if they have any questions about equipment.

Banff Mountain Film Festival – Mike Riley

- So far we have only been running virtual Banff, which does not make us much money. The theater says they think they will be open in August. Banff has saved two film groupings for live shows. We will attempt to book Thu-Fri September 9-10 for a live Banff showing at the theater.

Social Chair Position Clarification – Dee Ann Kline

- Dee Ann provided an Excel spreadsheet of who is doing various tasks vs. what is in by-laws. After a few small changes the board agreed the same arrangement would work again for next year.

Conditioning Hiking Series – Neal Kirby

- Neal has assembled a search committee for finding a new CHS chair, headed by Steve Payne and including Ginger Sarver, Becky Andrade, and Monty Pratt

Safety Chair – Neal Kirby

- Mike McIntosh is seeking a new chair for our Safety Committee. If anyone is interested, please let Mike know.

Activity Reports

Scrambling – Paul Kallman (via email)

- We completed all of our lectures and field trips and believe that this year's scrambling course was a success. We will be doing surveys of participants to see what they thought of the virtual lectures and assessment of the course itself. 21 out of 23 2021 students got through all lectures and field trips.

Branch Officer Reports

Treasurer – Beth Peden

- The financial report from the end of April has been sent out.

Chair – Neal Kirby

- Beginning in September we will try to meet in person at the Community Center every other month. Neal will contact the Community Center to see if they will allow us to meet on an alternating schedule.

Director – Mike Kretzler

- There was a board meeting of the directors recently. The governance committee has made changes to how a few things work. One of those changes is a new form for board nominations.

Secretary – Dean Taylor

- An inaccurate (second) summer picnic meeting invite for July 22 still exists on the branch calendar. The secretary will work with the Program Center to remove it.

Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned at 7:33pm