**DRAFT Agenda Seattle Branch Council – September 13, 2018**

**In Attendance:**

Chuck Cerveny, Takeo Kuraishi, Becca Polglase, Pat Carney, Steve Payne, Dan Greenfield, Jacob Lopilato, Peter Hendrickson, Brittany Weller

**Not Present:**

Heidi Walker, Todd Mitchell, Johnny Jeans, Anita Elder, Storm Yanicks, Carry Porter, Kirk Peterson

Approval Minutes 12 July 2018 (passed)

Chair Briefing

* Nav 3.0, Budget, Hike/Scramble, Costa Brava Oct
* Seattle Program Center staffing changes:
* Branch Leadership Council status yet uncertain, no meetings July, August.
* Events: BeWild 20 Sept, Meet Mtnr Gear Grab 24 Sept, Annual Mtg 25 Sept, Walking the Wild PNWT 3 Oct, Mountain Film World Tour 11 Sept, BOD mtg 18 Oct, Outdoor Ldrship Seminar 20 Oct, FinCom 22 Oct, Meet Mountaineers Info 29 Oct, BOD Retreat 9-11 Nov,
* Leadership Conference 1 Dec: Becca report on current set up, some lunch issues
  + Leaders will receive a discount code
* Leadership Retreat Fall 2018 Doodle Poll to follow
  + Will be a Saturday or Sunday

Vice Chairperson Briefing (Heidi Walker)

* No report

Safety Officer Briefing (Takeo Kuraishi)

* Incidents status
* Taking action after incident reports – Attachment
* Looking for new Safety Officer

Treasurer Briefing (Jacob Lopilato)

* Status current fiscal year ending 30 September 2018 (FYE18)
* Status budget fiscal year ending 30 September 2019 (FYE19) Attachment
  1. Budgets should be finalized 10.18.18
  2. Committees should be able to begin spending for courses
* Midflight summary complete through 05.18

Secretary Briefing (Chuck Cerveny)

* Events & Activities submissions
* Link to bi-annual member & volunteer survey: filtered for Seattle

[2018 Membership Survey - Seattle Branch Filtered.pdf 923 KB • Download](https://3.basecamp.com/3528906/buckets/7013144/recordings/1124733294/email/download/BAh7CEkiCGdpZAY6BkVUSSInZ2lkOi8vYmMzL0Jsb2IvOTAxNzM3MDY_ZXhwaXJlc19pbgY7AFRJIgxwdXJwb3NlBjsAVFsHSSIKZW1haWwGOwBUbCsHbhEKQ0kiD2V4cGlyZXNfYXQGOwBUMA==--3814b88dc554b4c52d5d1275ae869166cb9e376d/2018%20Membership%20Survey%20-%20Seattle%20Branch%20Filtered.pdf)

Board of Directors Rep Briefing (Patrick Mullaney)

* No report

Program Staff Rep Briefing (Becca Polglase)

* No news

Old Business

* Approval of Photo Committee charter: Review document but Peter can approve if needed, tabled charter from July meeting. *[Note: PH later moved photo content into a much abbreviated template, 4 vs 11 pages, for Photo Committee consideration.]*
  + Greenfield motioned to approve, Takeo second
  + Charter approved
* Pricing discussion postponed from last meeting <https://drive.google.com/open?id=11LVQAkNpeWwgJcvwJuWBom2f0zMZExYE>

New Business

**Committee Reports –**

**Alpine Scrambling** – Brittany Weller

* 24 graduates, course goes through November
* Committee getting together to focus on instructor/student community
* Course opens for 2019 on 11.01.18
  + Noting equivalency, scholarships

**Avalanche** – Loren McWethy

* Group of instructors going through Pro-1, w/Foothills ~18 people attending
* Recruiting volunteers

**Backpacking** – Todd Mitchell

* No report

**Climbing** – Dan Greenfield

* Climbing's biggest update is that Takeo was announced as co-chair and will be chair in 2019.
* Reviewing our budget with Bill Ashby next week.
* We also have a subcommittee very focused on increasing our volunteer involvement
* Tess Wendel is intermediate co-chair
* Only 27 graduates this year from basic course (started with 120 students)
* Permit lottery complete and available on Basecamp

**First Aid** – Courtney Carolan

* 2019 courses soon to be published
* 3 more scenario nights coming up
* Evaluators are WFR at least

**Folk Dance -** Johnny Jeans

* No report

**Hiking** – Steve Payne

* CHS about half through grad hikes
* Looking to graduate 57 people
* Next committee meeting in October

**Leadership** – Heidi Walker

* No report
* Via Peter: Looking at new leadership text
* eLearning course available, try to get leaders to take this

**Naturalists** – Danielle Graham

Wrapped up Intro to the Natural World course 9/10

45 of our students (out of 78) graduated in time for the potluck.  Our speaker series is all set for 2018-2019 and you can read all about it in the latest issue of the Mountaineers magazine.  Monya Noelke is our new lead for that.  We are wrapping up our busy season for naturalist hikes and moving into some geology-focused trips and ones featuring sea birds.  Our first Baker Lodge Weekend partnering with the Photography Committee in August was a great success.  Participants really enjoyed getting to spend time on the trails and in the lodge with each other.  Many thanks to Anita Elder of the Photo crew and Sara Ramsey of Mountaineers staff.  Our leadership will gather in the next few weeks to vision for next year.  With that will come some leadership changes.  Tom Bancroft will step up as Gordie's co-chair and I will "step down" to become the Secretary/Treasurer and representative to Branch Council.  (I expect a pay raise for doing all the non-glamorous work--ha ha!)  Sorry to not be participating in the meeting on Thursday night--I will be at the Tacoma Program Center spreading intra-Branch goodwill (and using their climbing wall).  I have been hugging my family a lot the past few days in the face of the loss of Laurie's life.  Let's all keep on doing all we do to keep each other safe out there.

**Navigation** – Brian Starlin

* Modernizing Fall session
* Online course in September, in October a GPS workshop and fieldtrip
* 46 registered, 80 on waitlist

**Photography** – Anita Elder

* No report

**Retired Rovers** – Storm Yanicks

* No report

**Sailing** – Alan Vogt

* ~104 activities this year
* Advanced class is finishing up, well received

**Nordic Skiing** – Carry Porter

* No report

**Sea Kayaking –** Pat Carney

* 2 more skill events this year, both full
* Basic graduation rate was good, may have a few more trickling in
* Deception Pass activity planning is progressing

**Snowshoeing –** Kirk Peterson

* No report

**Youth Outreach**

* No report

**Adjourn** 20:00

Seattle Branch Council meets 2rd Thursday each odd month, 6:30 pm.

Calendar 2018: November 08