

Steering Committee Minutes

Date: 7/23/2024

Meeting called to order at 7:08 pm

Note: Agenda is in regular font

Italic writing is additional information at the meeting

Quorum members present: *Mary Winkler, Laura Miller, Karen Haroutunian, Carol McCririe, Tim Davis, Bev Wozniak, Mary Donahue-Wold, Krisanne Schmidt, Dana Buxton*

Others present: None

Minutes approved *for June steering committee by all present.*

President Mary Winkler

- Still browsing Roberts Rules.
- Offered support and encouragement.

Vice President Tim Davis

- Nothing to report

Secretary Laura Miller

- Sent out call for reports. Sent out agenda for meeting on Monday afternoon, June's meeting minutes for review and meeting Google link. Membership Roster attachment

Treasurer Mary Donahue-Wold

- The balance of our Huntington Bank amount is \$12,576.57.
- Carol McCririe and I met again and she reviewed my work. I should be good to go now. Will refer to her if needed.
- *Meetup only uses PayPal as a payment method.*
- *On the website, you could look at adding payments of Zelle or Venmo.*
- *Mary D-W needs to get a passcode for Stripe to see the PayPal data from Solar payments which is still registered with Jon (previous treasurer). Carol and Mary D-W are working on this to get updated for Mary to get the email from Stripe for our Paypal payments.*

Activities Krisanne Schmidt

Past activities:

- *Day hikes*
- *Fife Lake weekend trip-June*

Upcoming activities:

- Day hikes
- South Manitou trip-July
- Jordan River weekend trip-July
- Pictured Rocks trip-Sept
- Possible bikepacking trip

Bylaws Karen Haroutunian

- Nothing to report

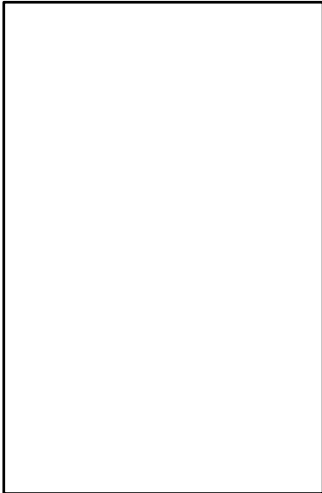
Education Carol McCrie

- Hammock Camping Workshop – this is a new workshop led by Jeff McWilliams. September 7 th at Green Lake. The workshop is full.
- Beginning Land Navigation – Jeff McWilliams is again leading this workshop in October with classroom time at the church on October 10, 17, and 24, with a practical weekend at Waterloo State Recreation area on October 26-26.
- Intermediate BP workshop – Dave Warnecke will be leading this workshop beginning in August and finishing up with the practical in late September. The church has approved the classroom sessions, and it will be posted on Meetup this week. The cost will be \$45 for cash, check or Venmo and \$55 on Meetup.

Equipment Chair Jeff McWilliams

- I'm leaving town on Saturday morning so this is my early SC report.
- I will not be attending the July Steering Committee meeting but I will be at the general meeting to set up the projector, receive borrowed gear that's out on loan, and hand out gear that's being borrowed.
- TNT-26 is repaired and will be returned to storage.
- TNT-25: Replaced the one pole segment which had been broken and then repaired using a repair sleeve and epoxy glue. Repaired a 2nd pole segment that was slightly bent. (stepped on?)
- Replace a section of shock cord in the poles that was ready to fail.
- Washed the fly and sprayed with DWR.
- TNT-15 - This is a heavier 3P tent that Ati & Jen Tislerics borrowed for an upcoming trip. They took it home and tested it for waterproofness and found several drips in the rainfly but also that the bathtub floor leaks badly. I advised them to use SeamGrip TF to treat the floor which they did. According to Ati this stopped about 90% of the leaks and I think they are gonna hope for the best.

- Ati says that other than the leaks the tent looks to be in good condition, but if the floor leaks it may have exceeded its usable lifespan. There's no purchase date for this tent on the gear list so best guess is somewhere around 2009, based on online reviews for this tent model.
- We have only 1 other 3p tent, and that's TNT-28,a Marmot tent purchased in 2016.



Historian Leslie Cordova

- Nothing to report
- I will be in Maine so more than likely will not make the meeting.

Membership Dana Buxton

- 127 current paid annual members
- 1 new members joined at the last meeting
- 9 memberships to expire on 7/31, 3 are in google groups and 1 is in Meetup.

- 5 Members did not renew and are moved to the 2024 Delete tab
- 363 Lifetime Members
- *Dana will not be at the August and September general meetings. Laura and others volunteers will cover the membership table at the meetings.*

Programs Bev Wozniak

- July-70's Trivia, Bob Tacy presenting
- August-pending
- Summary of data tracking over the last 12 meetings (note that I need picnic headcount which is not included):
- Average attendance per meeting=37 (range: 28-68)
- Average number of NEW members joining at meeting: 4

Public Relations Jim Kadlubowski

- Nothing to report

Communications Chair Open

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Webmaster Stacie Kitchen

- Have updated website with bios and plugins.
- Working on the ad to PopUp on site for the trivia night.

Unfinished Business

- Jeff to make a new loan equipment statement for who, how long and return policy. *Tabled at this time. Jeff not at the meeting.*
- Stacie share about Printful.com and maybe getting athletic wear with Solar logo there. *Stacie will work on it for the next steering committee meeting in July. Stacie not at the meeting.*

New Business

- Moonlight paddle and paddle to the symphony with Solar listed as a sponser. Discussion needed to addresss this. *The current flyer says members of Solar supports the paddle to the symphony (not sponser). Jim, Public Relations should contact Heavener's and Mike Dwyer about using our name with their events and using our current name as a supporter of their events.*
- Laura to send out to the club for additional volunteers for the anniversary party. *Laura will send another email asking if there are any other volunteers for the anniversary party planning committee. Then Laura will send out an email and will get the volunteers together for a planning meeting either in person or virtual.*

- Bev is suggesting we raise the equipment fee to \$40, what do other places charge like REI? Jeff will look it to getting some more information for the next month. *This needs to be tabled with more research into this.*
- Do we need to explore the membership cost because fees include the room rental and electric projection equipment updates? To consider next month. *This needs to be tabled with more research into this.*
- Need to consider what the formula for our costs and fee structure for membership and equipment gear rental. *This needs to be tabled with more research into this.*
- Did we increase our membership by lower the membership fee? *Need to research this more.*
- Laura to look at previous minutes for when we changed the membership fee. Dana will then look at the numbers to compare from before fee change and current. *Carol looked at Jan. 2021 was still at \$40, but dues were waved for all members because of COVID. Sept 2019 about \$18, Oct. 2020 \$13,000 We have been maintaining our bank balance since 2020. Discussion about the meeting room rental and storage room rental costs which impact the club costs. This will be tabled until we have more information.*
- *The holiday party on Dec.6 if the church is available. Mary W will contact the church to see if that date is available.*

Next meeting Tuesday, August 20 at 7 pm virtually.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:56 pm.

Meeting minutes notes taken by Laura Miller.