



Solar Outdoors

Steering Committee Minutes

Date: 7/22/2025

Meeting called to order at. 7:01pm

Note: Agenda is in regular font

Italic writing is additional information at the meeting

Quorum members present: Mary Winkler, David Warneke, Stacie Kitchen, Laura Miller, Carol McCririe, Jeff McWilliams, Jeff Grossklaus, Tim Davis, Dana Buxton, Hanne Skaarup, Leslie Cordova, Lori Syc

Others present:

Minutes approved *Motion by Mary Winkler to accept, Tim Davis seconded. Minutes approved unanimously.*

President Mary Winkler

- Storage Unit Duty, Website stuff

Vice President Tim Davis

- No response
- *Did send report – working with Laura Miller for new central location for monthly meetings.*

Secretary Hanne Skaarup

- Agenda sent out.

Treasurer Carol McCririe

- Cash in bank \$11,667.56 Statement of Activity to 7/20/25 attached.
- 2025 Budget to Actual expenses attached. We need to adjust budget and approve additional expenses – treasurer expenses, PayPal fees, 50th Anniversary budget, QB fees (increased to \$38 beginning in July). Will review when we do our meeting.
- *Spent \$100 in misc. costs, QuickBooks fees are up by \$60. Recommend increasing misc.*

category by \$25, creating a PayPal/meetup category and increasing that by \$100. Motion made by Carol, 2nd by Dana and passed unanimously.

Activities Krisanne Schmidt

- **Past activities:**
Day Hikes
Paddle to the Symphony
S Manitou Island Trip
- **Upcoming activities:**
50th Anniversary Dinner at Proud Lake Campground

Bylaws/Historian Jeff Groosklaus

- Nothing to report
- *Meeting with Jeff & Laura on 50th Anniversary info. Carol has memory books and is making modifications for the last 10 years. All minutes and old newsletters are on the website.*

Education Laura Miller

- Beginners Land Nav in fall 2025: Lecture 1 Thursday, Sept 18, Lecture 2 Thu, Sept 25, Lecture 3 Thu, October 2, Weekend Practical: October 11-12
- Wilderness First Aid on Oct. 25-26, 2025.
- Exploring a backpacking exercise/training workshop with a member.

Equipment Chair Jeff McWilliams

- No report
- Jeff will be out of town for both the Steering Committee and the general meeting,
- Jeff plans to loan out more gear to members when he returns.

Membership Dana Buxton

- 94 Total Annual Membership
- 4 new members since last meeting
- 2 renewals since last meeting
- Sent renewal email to 11 members for memberships that expire at the end of 7/17/25 (highlighted in yellow on the roster)
- On average we get 1 to 2 renewals after I send the reminder email
- 360 Lifetime members
- **Note:** For those who post Workshops and Activities on Meetup please add this verbiage as the Membership link has changed to include the form.

"Club membership is required to participate in our activities and workshops posted on our Meetup site. Annual dues re \$15 for individuals. Select this link to become a member <https://form.jotform.com/251014794107149>."

Programs Lorriane (Lori) Syc

- Adjusting to new position
- *Looking for an Aug speaker as speaker on Kenya needs more time to prep.*
- *Reaching out to Bob to speak on the Scotland trip.*
- *An idea on an Open Mic Night – present 2-5 photos and speak for up to 10 minutes*

Public Relations/Communications David Warnecke

- No report sent in
- *No updates*

Webmaster Stacie Kitchen

- Webmaster update on reports – updated calendar, Dave’s bio, and June minutes were added.
- *Encouraging everyone to share on their FB page the Africa event.*
- *Requesting to change out the apparel website. Would like to see people choose where to put logo.*
- *Vote on new apparel website will occur at Aug meeting*

Unfinished Business

- *Logo has been updated on Meetup*
- *Proud Lake – 1 person has not paid for their camp site*

New Business

- none

Next meeting Aug 19 @ 7pm

Meeting Adjourned 7:53pm

Meeting minutes notes taken by Hanne Skaarup