

NY CHAPTER ADK BOARD MEETING MINUTES

TIME AND PLACE: July 28, 2018, 10:30 AM at Rhodes Tavern, Sloatsburg

IN ATTENDANCE:

Ray Kozma, Mary Ann Poris, Bill Burns, Marty Kellerman, Lisa North, Suzanne Rocheleau, Mark Fedow,
Eve Mancuso

Guest: Steve Barre

Teri Gabel, Mary Hilley, Diane Booth- excused

AGENDA

1. Motion to accept minutes: Motion offered by Suzanne, seconded by Diane. All in Favor- Vote Unanimous

2. CHAIR- Ray Kozma

Ray has prepared the August-September Trailmarker. He will send it to Eve to distribution to all members.

Carol Hillson- current applicant, potential Trailmarker person. Ray has had correspondence with her to explain the policies and procedures regarding Applicants and camp (not bringing guests to camp; not being at camp on their own; can come to camp for hosted events by registering). Ray will check the Welcome letter that gets sent to new Applicants to ensure clarity/avoid any confusion in describing how Applicants can be at camp.

Look ahead to annual meeting and elections: annual meeting- weekend after Labor Day. Think about format. Each committee will be asked to prepare a report.

3. SECRETARY- Eve Mancuso

Eve to reach out to members to solicit volunteers for the Nominations committee: (to be confirmed)

Janet Sibarium & Daphne Prior confirmed. One more member needed.

Eve to reach out to members to solicit volunteers for the Tallying committee: (to be confirmed)

Carol Burns confirmed. Two more members needed.

Ray/ EM to confirm members of each committee, coordinate and finalize committee members.

John Lipsett reached out to club to inform them he is the executor of the estate of Bob Susser.

4. TREASURER - Suzanne Rocheleau

Bob Susser estate left to ADK. In probate. Wait to hear back from Lipsett.

5. NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

No report, write up in Trailmarker – request for nominations, recommendations. -Slate is being developed.

Nominee Names to be submitted to the Nominating Committee by Sept 1

Slate will be posted in the October Trailmarker – with announcements. All nominees will have the option of including a write-up about themselves to be included in the TrailMarker.

Elections will take place in the Sloatsburg Library on October 20, 2018 from 1 to 3 pm.

6. DISCUSSION TOPICS

Survey to membership- Teri to try to post to survey monkey – discuss fee structure. For discussion.

Much discussion regarding structure of fee schedule. Provide questions to MaryAnn to potentially review/assist with questions.

Trailmarker Editor and Webmaster- searching for person. Potentially take a broader approach and include chapter membership not only Nawakwans.

Question arose - If no chapter member volunteers can we pay someone? Ray to ask attorney. Eve to take language from Trailmarker and re-send notice for Trailmarker editor and webmaster to chapter members.

7. MAIN CLUB REPORT – Mary Hilley

Handout submitted (attached). ADK is considering starting a new NYC chapter. The NY Chapter would need to protect our interests so as not to lose potential members. Working together would be the ideal. A short discussion on history of the chapter was presented, noting how we developed the two types of members: General Chapter members and Key-holder members. Main club did not want to make any extra membership requirements for general members, but allowed special requirements for Key-holders due to our having Camp Nawakwa.

AMC sent out notice stating other clubs can utilize Breakneck Pond. AMC is thinking of expanding their mountain leadership training program into the Catskills or Harriman Park.

8. MEMBERSHIP – Jerry Flower

New members: completed requirements for Keyholders, handout submitted (attached)

Karen McDonald

Lisa Richardson

Motion to accept new keyholders: offered by Bill, second Suzanne, All In favor - Vote unanimous

9. CAMP COMMITTEE:

CAMP CHAIR-Don Gabel

_MCI projects:

Two projects were proposed: Renovate the porch railing, fill in shoulder of camp road. Don had spoken to Bill Ledwitz and Ray had emailed the proposals to Bill. Bill Ledwitz said that both are good ideas. We need to gather more information to determine which projects to proceed with.

August 18 work day – 9 to 12, MaryAnn and Mary to contact Janet to coordinate. Teri offered to buy food for lunch. Steve to coordinate projects: plan projects, purchase supplies.

Extra locks are at camp.

HOSTING COMMITTEE – Mary Hilley and Mary Ann Poris

Bastille Day lighter than usual- 20 attendees

Music weekend- 23 attendees

Tonight- 29 signed up.

Have a few weekends available. Continue to send out emails and post the dates that remain available for hosting.

An impromptu Wednesday group has been coming up regularly.

Suggestion: applicants to have a requirement to co-host to introduce them to the task of hosting.

Discussion regarding potential to offer different models for hosting to encourage new hosts: Saturday only hosting; should an applicant be required to help in the kitchen; can you potentially have 3 hosts/co-hosts - one to focus on money/admin end.

Various hosting options may be utilized such as - BYOB, pot luck, Saturday only.

Motion- To offer an option for applicant to be a co-host as an alternate to one hike requirement. Offered by Marty, seconded by Suzanne, All in favor- Vote: unanimous

ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE- Lisa North and Mary Kellerman

Various types of programs that may be offered or are currently scheduled:

History, August 11, Native Americans

Opossum talk to be scheduled

Arts and crafts program was very successful.

Music night was very successful.

Yoga planned for this weekend.

Meditation planned for August.

10. TRAILS – Bill Burns

Wednesday July 18 Trail Conference meeting. Check on status of trail maintenance by members.

Need list of those certified to utilize chain saws.

11. CONSERVATION – Don Gabel

Environmental report submitted (attached). Invasive species work cut short due to storm.

Next meeting teleconference August 22, 2018 at 7 30. Adjourned at 1:54 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Eve Mancuso, Secretary to the Board