

NY Chapter – ADK
Board Meeting @ Characters, Sloatsburg, NY
July 9, 2017
12:18 p.m.

Present: Ray Kozma, Steve Barre, Suzanne Rocheleau, Bill Burns, Mary Hilley, Mark Fedow, Lisa North, Lewis Ports, Janet Sibarium

Guests Present: Eve Mancuso, Darius Sibarium

Excused: Diane Booth

1. Approval of Minutes from Board Meeting of May 18, 2017: Approved

2. Chapter Chair’s Report: Ray Kozma

Request from two potential Applicants: Ray was contacted by two individuals seeking membership in Camp Nawakwa, who want to get credit for qualifying events they performed before they became official Applicants. They sent their application form to Jerry in March 2017, instead of sending it in last year before beginning any qualifying events.

Even though the proper procedure for becoming an Applicant was clear enough on our homepage, the Board acknowledged the potential for confusion last year, because the qualifications form was then available on the website. (It is now only available from the Membership Chair after an Application Form and Fee have been received).

After discussion, the Board tentatively agreed to allow this request on condition of the following: That the Board obtains and reviews the signed qualifying events form the two Applicants currently have, and that going forward, these two Applicants will obtain and use the new qualification form and will follow all the new protocols set up for Applicants.

Resignation of Camp Chair: The Board discussed the resignation of Kim as Camp Chair and looked at how to move forward with the task of replacing her. The extensive time and work-load involved is leading the Board to consider a ‘committee’ to handle all the tasks, rather than just one person. Steve agreed to head an exploratory committee to look at potential members who might like to be on a new ‘Camp Committee.’ An announcement of this exploratory committee will be placed in the next Trail Marker. Ray also asked Eve Mancuso if she would consider being part of this new committee and she agreed. Eve lives/works nearby and is available to be at camp periodically for any needed inspections.

3. Secretary/Host Chair: Janet Sibarium

Janet will ask hosts to remind registrants of the applicant process, and where to find the printed list of applicants.

Need Hosts for Labor Day, September and two weekends in October.

Annual Fall BBQ, with new co-hosts, Ed O’Donnell and David Miller, will be Sept. 23rd.

Two printed copies of Trail Marker, labeled “Lodge Copy” will be in the Main Cabin.

Elections: Nominating Committee must be formed and announced in next Trail Marker. Tallying Committee must also be formed.

4. Camp Chair Report: Kim Waldhauer

- a. Kim announced her resignation, effective July 31, 2017. She has graciously agreed to help with transition to a new Camp Chair.

5. Treasurer's Report: Suzanne Rocheleau

- a. TD Checking account was closed, and new account was opened at Chase Bank.
- b. Annual Liability insurance of \$8582 has been paid. Our term runs from June 1, 2017 through May 31, 2018.
- c. The second installment of our annual rent has also been paid, factoring in a possible 25% MCI credit for roof repair of cabin #3, as we have provided the park with 3 estimates.
- d. A couple who hosted a weekend in 2016, requested credit for their passports in 2017. As hosts, they will receive a credit against the cost of the passports, as approved by the Board. (\$10/day up to a maximum of \$50).

6. Membership Chair Report: Jerry Flower

David Lantow: Unanimously approved
Elizabeth Maher: Unanimously approved

Sponsors Handbook is posted on the website.

7. Trails Committee Report: Bill Burns

Would like long-time Trail Maintainers recognized. Bill will submit a list. At Annual Fall BBQ Awards will be given.

Don Gabel proposed a project for the Chapter NY Chapter Conservation Committee Proposal: Invasive Tree Control in Harriman State Park. Approved Unanimously

8. Lawyers' Policy on Compensation/Reimbursement of Expenses

On Friday, July 28th Subcommittee on Corporation Matters, consisting of Mark, Steve and Ray, will meet to discuss the comments and recommendations sent in by our lawyer, Amanda Kukle (from Caffry and Flower Law firm). The new Non-profit corporation law became effective: May 2017.

Policies on Compensation and on Reimbursement of Expenses need to be decided.

Place to TBD

New invoice: \$2,415 from law firm, Caffry & Flower.

9. Other

Hosting Manual: The 10 page document has been completed and will be posted to the website.

10. Calendar of Upcoming Events:

Trail Marker deadline: July 15, 2017

Annual Open Board Meeting at Camp Nawakwa: 11:00 a.m. August 5th, 2017

Meeting Adjourned: 2:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Janet Sibarium, Secretary