

## MEETING OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES

### OF AUGUST 10,2017 MEETING NUMBER 8

**Present:** Barbara Brandt, Fran Horn. Doug Hillebrecht, Frank Pierce, Joe Rottinger, David Bicking, Mike Engel, Neil Kornhauser, Jay Schoss, Peggy Marter, Regina Coeby, Joe Money, Christine Denneler. Millie Moore, Joseph Fabian.

**Absent:** Kathy Billmann, Dennis McKane, Kevin Drevik, Eloise Williams

**Other attendees:** Ray Breswick, Faye Braye

**Minutes:** The July minutes were accepted.

**President's comments:** She discussed the need for motions to be written as a useful requirement before presenting motions to the OCSJ Board for clarity.

**Treasurer's report:** Fran stated the software vendor for our newsletter has been paid. She also presented her report which was accepted by motion of Joe Money and seconded by Doug Hillebrecht.

#### **Membership report-July 31, 2017**

Total members-1,173 comprised of 913 active members and 260 lapsed members; bank deposits \$290.00 (8 single memberships, 5 family memberships including one single membership upgraded to a family membership.

Paypal 07/01/17 through 07/31/17: \$890 for (57 single memberships and 21 family memberships).

#### **Activities Section Reports**

**Canoeing & Kayaking--**The kayaking schedule is forming up with more trips scheduled by Olga and Len.

**Hiking--**Jeff K. has been accepted as a new leader. The deadline for submissions to the Fall 2017 Trekker is September 01, 2017.

**Cycling--**Neil reports the club is leading about 30 rides per month and the activity is shaping up. We have more leaders for mid-week and breakfast rides. The Summit Racing Bicycling Club in an approved joint activity with the OCSJ is conducting a safe group cycling seminar. Next weekend, the OCSJ is conducting with a non-member Jerry a New York City two day cycling event. There is much interest in the event and lots of cyclists have signed up.

**Cross Country Skiing--**no chairperson present and no report.

**Backpacking & Camping--**no chairperson and no report. However, a September 20, 2017 trip is scheduled.

## **Request for funds-none.**

### **Old Business-**

Registration of membership through Wild Apricot is still being worked upon to better track membership. Regarding the 50th Anniversary Celebration party, trustees, regular leaders, and officers will be admitted free of charge. On September 01, 2017, notice for the party will be made to general membership. Admission is \$15 per person. All admission tickets must be purchased through PayPal with no checks or cash accepted at the door or otherwise all attendees must preregister through Wild Apricot and attendance is limited to 150.

Regarding the photo contest, Doug Hillebrecht says the photo scramble web site has been set up as of August 10th. Photo submissions to the categories will be through meetup only, so the general public cannot make submissions. A per person maximum of three photographs per each of the five categories is permitted. The photos must be of OCSJ activities and submitted by members. Any winners will be checked against the OCSJ membership list.

### **New Business-**

The president brought up the need to seek nominations for new officers. All presently serving officers are willing to be nominated, except Eloise Williams as recording secretary who is absent. The president will check with her and encouraged members to run for positions they are interested in. Because of concerns regarding the restrictions on our club's general liability policy, the canoeing and kayaking chair brought to our attention a practice of one of his leaders of listing events with other clubs who may not have their own liability insurance. The leader seemed to be doing so in a clandestine manner. By doing so, he may be exposing the OCSJ and leader of the activity to potential liability. After much discussion, the board decided to continue the present policy of allowing the activity chair to block such joint events from the club schedule and regarding the leader in question block the posting of his events because of his suspicious method to circumventing our joint activity club insurance rule. As always, the chair of the activity has discretion to block individual leaders from posting events on the OCSJ Trekker or Meetup.

The cycling chair discussed how to show our appreciation to, a non-OCSJ member who will serve as a guide for the upcoming two day New York City bicycle tour. Neil suggested we give him a complimentary one year OCSJ membership. He made a motion to that effect which was seconded by Mike Engel. During discussion, the board members discussed while they greatly appreciated his serving as a volunteer tour guide, they thought it would set a bad precedent. The motion was defeated with a show of hands.

Chris Denner had a question about OCSJ policy regarding members appearing before the Pinelands Commission claiming to represent the club on issues including opposition to motorcycles, four wheelers and horses on hiking trails. Recently a former club officer appeared before the commission in opposition to such shared use. It was decided because our time was running out for the meeting room that motion on the subject should be made at the next board meeting.

### **Adjournment**

Motion made by Peggy Marter and seconded by Mike Engel. The motion passed.

Joseph F. Fabian,  
Acting recording secretary

Barbara Brandt,  
President