

MINUTES OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES, February 11 2021 NUMBER 2

Zoom Virtual Meeting

PRESENT: Joe Fabian, Barbara Berman, Fran Horn, Eloise Williams, Frank Pearce, John Kerney, Evelyn Minutola, Kathy Billmann, , Kevin Drevik, Rosemary Mason, Evelyn Minutolo, Doug Hillebrecht, Chris Denneler, Barbara Brandt, Neil Kornhauser, John Del Valchio

ABSENT: Kevin Carlin, Peggy Marter, Barbara Standke

Guests- Janice Headly Holly Moriety, David Robinson, M. Silverstein, Chris Torello, Glenn Davies, Bruce Steidel.

MINUTES- Motion to approve minutes was passed with a unanimous vote. Motion made by Barbara Berman and seconded by Doug Hillebrecht

PRESIDENT'S COMENTS- Mass emails reference political statements have dwindled. Concerned about Covid precautions indoors because 15 feet away Covid may still be contagious indoors. Just because we are tired of all the precautions doesn't mean we let our guard down.

TREASURER'S REPORT- Motion to approve Treasurer's report made by Chris Denneler seconded by Barbara Berman.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT- John Del Vachio Members Summary circulated. 68 new members in January, 40 new in Dec.

ACTIVITIES CHAIR- Frank Pearce

Canoeing chair-Frank Pearce -No canoeing or kayaking

Cycling- Jan. good. Not much in Feb. Planning to hold workshops in spring before some rides on safety plus hands on for changing tires. Neil suggested that we revisit the membership options. Fran Horn said that she would look into changing the options by adding auto renew and additional years.

HIKING-Evelyn Minutola-Because of recent snow and ice there aren't a lot of hikes.

Cross Country Skiing- Fran Horn and Sue Wills had terrific snow in VT. They skied for 3 days before the storm then spent a day snow shoeing. Barbara Brandt led the trip to NH. Where they rented 3 condos with 3 or 4 people in each, Zoom was used to do the organizing at night. It worked out well.

Back Packing- Kevin Drevik-one trip added in May in Pa by Tom Kerbaugh

Trail Maintainance- Rosemarie Mason Six new people joined OCSJ to work on Maintenance. 22 people in total. 14-16 each Tues. Been working on Franklin Preserve. Next will be Brendan Byrne. Bass River has asked for help. Some will meet on Sat to help with maintenance. The OCSJ trail crew has been working in the cold weather and snowy conditions clearing and re blazing the Batona Trail in the section of the Franklin Parker Preserve. We assisted Russell Juelg, senior land steward of the FPP, with carrying in lumber and supplies so he could replace a failing footbridge on the Reed's Pond canal. We had 22 great people work that day, several of us past sunset. Several of our members also assisted Russell with fixing the Drunken Hobbit Bridge making it safe to cross again. We agreed to assist Russell with maintaining the popular Red Trail in the preserve. The crew will also be assisting another hiking group, the Hiker Babes, with clearing the Mt. Misery Trail on a Saturday in March.

Date to be announced soon. A request was made from the Crossley Preserve for trail maintenance assistance.

Fund Requests- Fran Horn requested \$2000 for the Chalfonte Hotel - Cape May deposit on May 5. The Chalfonte Hotel credited us for the \$1000 deposit of 2020. This trip will be at the Chalfonte Hotel on the weekend of June 18th 19th & 20th. We are expecting about 40 to 50 people. Details will be on the web site. Approved with a motion made by Fran Horn and seconded by John Kerney.

Evelyn Minutola and Carol Thompson developed a general survey for leaders to determine their opinions on Leadership and Meetup results reported.

Cross Country Skiing- Stowe ski trip is still a go with 3 people signed up. Barbara Berman

Social committee- John Kerney

OLD BUSINESS

Four Movies so far by social committee at Cinemark in Somerdale.(Evesham & White Horse Pike). Notifications on all sites but only RSVP on Hiking site.

Good idea to put something on website about no shows and RSVPs on Hikes. Can't sign up for more than one activity at a time.

NEW BUSINESS

Sierra Club Website. Motion to put the link on OCSJ web site was made by Chris Deneller seconded by Barbara Berman. May have a State Long Trail Hike.

If a Movie night or social is held it is preferable to put a link on all OCSJ Meetup sites If money is collected, it must be reported on the proper forms and sent to the Treasurer.

Awards Committee of Barbara Berman, Joe Fabian, Evelyn Minutola, Fran Horn and Eloise Williams met. And gave suggestion of having tiers for awards. Barbara Brandt agreed to join the awards committee. Decision tabled till next meeting.

Adjournment- Motion to adjourn made by Barbara Berman seconded by Barbara Brandt.

President

Joe Fabian

Recording secretary Eloise Williams