



OUTDOOR CLUB of SOUTH JERSEY

MINUTES OF JUNE 13, 2019—MEETING NUMBER 5

PRESENT: Barbara Berman, Barbara Brandt, David Bicking, Kevin Carlin, Regina Coeby, Kevin Drevik, Joseph Fabian, Fran Horn, Neil Kornhauser, Jay Schoss, Jerry Martina, Millie Moore, Frank Pearce

Absent: Eloise Williams, Peggy Marter, Chris Denneler, Rosemary Mason, Doug Hillebrecht, Kathy Billmann,

Other Attendees: Pat Davis, Mary Ann Wallace, Cindy Layne, and Faye

MINUTES: The May 2019 OCSJ board meeting minutes were approved. The motion was made by Frank Pearce and seconded by Kevin Carlin.

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS: We sadly noted the premature passing of Robert L. Hodge's the beloved and gregarious long-time leader of the Friday Evening fitness hikes. Moreover, Joe Fabian mentioned efforts to recruit new leaders to continue the hike and efforts by his friends to install a memorial bench in Brendan T. Byrne State Forest. On another sad note, Doug Hillebrecht is very ill and we hope he has a speedy recovery. The transition to Wild Apricot is going relatively smoothly. Mike Engle is making progress on setting up the photo contest. The Washington D.C. bus trip went well, and the organizer (O'Harohan sp?). is looking into planning more trips to other destinations.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Fran Horn reported as of May 31, 2019 the following: TD Bank Checking account balance \$6,394.27, TD Internet account \$10,975.95, TD Money Market Fund \$46,374.90, Greve Memorial Fund \$1,966.79. The sum is \$65,711.91. Cash retained from prior years is \$56,553.75 and 2019 increased balance is \$9,158.16. However, Fran noted that the Cape May trip \$10,000 payment to the operators of the Chalfonte Hotel must be paid shortly. She also reported that the D.C. bus trip was a financial success. Millie Moore moved to accept the report and Neil Kornhauser seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Total members 1,023, lapsed members 87, Active members 942, Bank deposit \$1,355.00, Single memberships 2, Family memberships 6 (one renewed for 4 years, another renewed for 2 years) Online payments for May were \$2,115.00. Single Memberships 67, Family Memberships 22.

ACTIVITY REPORTS

KAYAKING/CANOEING—Frank Pierce reports "Good, we have water!"

HIKING: David Bicking Reports that we have new hiking leaders in the pipeline. Barbara Berman added that younger hikers are attending which is a positive development for the club.

CYCLING: Neil Kornhauser reports he has two young leaders, also a positive development. On Memorial Day the club organized a joint ride with two other clubs which 60 cyclists attended. Finally, he noted that the evening weekday rides are being well attended.

CROSS COUNTRY SKIING: No Report.

BACKPACKING: Kevin Drevik reported on an upcoming Western Massachusetts backpacking trip for 8 days and covering 70 miles is a go! Shortly, there will be a camping only trip at Bass River State Forest.

TRAIL MAINTANCE: No Report. The activity will resume in the fall.

REQUESTS FOR FUNDS: No requests made.

OLD BUSINESS:

Wild Apricot has caused some minor tech problems which Frank Pierce discussed for both members and leaders. Some problems were caused by inexperienced users that for example may require holding cell phones sideways when viewing the web pages. Other problems were probably due to using incompatible internet browsers.

POTENTIAL FUTURE LEADERSHIP AWARDS: This topic had previously been tabled. There was considerable discussion about criteria for a lifetime service award to the OCSJ. Kevin Carlin moved for criteria of 10 plus years of leadership with three years on the board. Fran Horn seconded the motion which was voted down. Barbara Brandt attempted to make a motion which was procedurally improper. She changed it to a proposal with the criteria for the award being exceptional leadership to the club with multiple activity or event leadership roles over a long-term. Nomination and selection of potential recipients would be by the board and not a committee. The award would be called "Exceptional Service to the OCSJ Award." The award would be a certificate. Fran Horn made a motion on this proposal and the motion was seconded by David Bicking. The motion passed.

The redesign of the OCSJ website was also discussed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Barbara Brandt mentioned she had received an email from a leader with concerns about our leadership event guidelines and acquainting new leaders with the guidelines some of which should be mandatory, such as the use of personal floatation devises and helmets for cycling events as opposed to just guidelines. There was also discussion about preparing a frequently asked question (FAQ) section on our website by Frank Pierce and others.

ADJURNMENT: A motion to adjourn the meeting was made in Peggy Marters' absence by Kevin Carlin and seconded by Fran Horn.

Barbara Brandt

Joseph F. Fabian

President

Acting Recording Secretary