

MINUTES OCSJ BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

March 9, 2023 Meeting Number 3

VIRTUAL ZOOM MEETING

Present: Paul Beatty, Barb Berman, Kathy Billman, Vicky Gordon, Doug Hillebrecht, Fran Horn, Mark Laible, Rosemary Mason, Maura Mawn, Frank Pearce, Becky Strickland, Eloise Williams

Absent: Barbara Brandt, Kevin Carlin, Christine Denneler, Kevin Drevik, Joe Fabian

Guests: Joe Logan, Dave Robinson, Peter

Previous Minutes

February's minutes were circulated via email. Motion to approve by Eloise, seconded by Doug - approved.

Treasurer's Report February 28, 2023 – Mark Laible

TD Bank Checking Account	\$10,939.12	
Outstanding Checks	<u>\$ (225.16)</u>	\$10,713.96
TD Bank Internet Account	\$13,511.78	
Outstanding Check	<u>\$ 0.00</u>	\$13,511.78
TD Bank Money Market Account	\$ 25,7878.36	
Greve Memorial Funds	\$ 7,468.01	
Donation Account	<u>\$ 0.00</u>	\$ 33,256.37
TOTAL CASH:		\$ 57,482.11
	Deposits	<u>4,200.00</u>
TOTAL ASSETS:		<u>\$ 61,682.11</u>
Cash Retained Earnings from Prior Years		\$69,949.77
Net Income (loss)		<u>(8,267.66)</u>
Retained Earnings		<u>\$61,682.11</u>

Still at a loss only due to deposits out now that will eventually be paid back as members reserve for certain events. \$4K backpacking deposit and \$1K Chalfont Hotel deposit will be paid back. Did a quick assessment of accounts, and memberships times appropriate dues currently match the amounts on hand, so everything looks good.

Motion to approve by Eloise, seconded by Maura. Unanimous approval.

Membership Report – Ro Mason

February Numbers:

Single	995
Family	460
Lifetime	30
Q Leaders	60
<u>OCSJ Board</u>	<u>17</u>
Total	1562

Notes: 56 new this month while 26 did not renew. 1574 as of 3/9. Issues discussed around changing single memberships to family memberships as changes occur, not always a clean switch but Rosemary is willing to intervene and help with account set-ups as needed. A Back-Packing Tips article was suggested.

Activity Chair – Frank Pearce

Still doing newsletter and will bring up at the Leadership Banquet the need for someone to step and take it over. May move to bi-monthly since we'll have some months without much activity.

Canoe/Kayaking - Frank Pearce

3 trips so far this year!

Hiking – Becky Strickland

73 hikes held in February due to the good weather. Currently 1,378 members in Hiking Meetup.

Cycling – Paul Beatty

24 bike rides in February led by 7 leaders, YTD have 50 rides with 10 leaders. 2 Leaders hold 50% of the rides, and mainly mountain bike but it will change as Spring comes.

Cross Country Skiing –Fran for Barbara Brandt

Led 2 decent ski trips – NY and VT. One was a new place. Happy to get snow and some skiing in!

Backpacking/Camping – Kevin Drevik via email

We have a trip in Southern VA scheduled in mid-April, and more trips May - Aug on the calendar.

Trail Maintenance – Ro Mason

Have been focusing on Franklin Parker due to a OCSJ hike leader's complaint to Russel Juelig about trail conditions, the crew working on re-blazing, foot bridges and new steps to the big chairs. Adding new signage, especially around the red trail where biking is not allowed.

Getting some press – Philly Magazine's April Outdoors issue will include a story about the trail crew. The Black Run Preserve brochure will include an OCSJ logo, they plan to train "Trail Ambassadors".

Fund Requests

No new fund requests. Cape May trip deposit sent in, (the trip is now full with a waitlist)

At this point in the meeting, guests were dismissed so the Board could continue with the Business Call.

Old Business

Leaders Banquet Update – Barb Berman – March 12, 2-5 pm at Riverton Country Club. Popular event – we generally have about 70 people attending, so usually reserve the smaller room, this year 87 attending so may be tight, but we'll be ok. Maura volunteered to check people in, Frank is bringing the club banner. Activity Leaders will give short talks and hand out the gifts the way they would like. Thank you to Doug for filling the gift bags. People attending can take bags for those not attending and left overs will be held by Doug for people to pick up by end of April. Joe Hummel will be there with Chris and will be celebrated for his long term membership and trip leadership.

Discussion about Overnight trip leader qualifications tabled for later.

Due to Lines in the Pines occurring on same day for 2023 and potentially 2024 if kept on same date, motion made to change the 2024 Leader's luncheon to Sunday, March 24

A booth for 2024 Lines in the Pines for OCSJ was suggested by Rosemary.

Cape May Trip - 28 Rooms are held by OCSJ, the trip is full. Only people who are paid through OCSJ and their check was cashed are invited to the Friday dinner and Saturday Drinks Party and Dinner.

There will be hikes/bike rides/birding walks and possibly a kayak trip scheduled on Meetup. All members of OCSJ can still join the published OCSJ Meetup activities.

In-Person Board Meetings - Motion by Rosemary to use the Pineland Preservation Alliance's Vincentown location. PPA was contacted and is thrilled to host us. Unfortunately, the April date is already booked but we are on their calendar for July and October of 2023, and April, Jul, October for 2024. It's a huge room with tables, they'll open for us at 6:30 and we just contact when we end for them to come and close up. Parking lot is lit, they have Audio/Video set up, members would be able to come too, it fits 50. May need a snack coordinator 😊. Seconded by Doug, Approved.

Future Discussion -need definition of family membership, due to confusion about family vs guests.

Spring Picnic needs a volunteer to plan for this year, Ro will mentor the volunteer.

Adjournment

Motion made by Becky seconded by Mark. Approved and meeting adjourned.

Submitted by Recording Secretary - Vicky Gordon

President - Joe Fabian