

MINUTES OCSJ BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

May 12, 2022 Meeting Number 5

VIRTUAL ZOOM MEETING

Present: Kathy Billman, Barbara Brandt, Christine Deneller, Kevin Drevik, Joe Fabian, Vicky Gordon, Doug Hillebrecht, Neil Kornhauser, Diane Mason, Rosemary Mason, Maura Mawn, Janine Padgett, Frank Pierce, Barbara Standke, Eloise Williams

Absent: Barbara Berman, Kevin Carlin, Fran Horn

Guest: Mark Liable, CPA

Previous Minutes

April's minutes circulated via email, approved with a motion by Barbara Standke and seconded by Kathy Billman

President's Comments

The Leader's Banquet was a success Barb Berman, Jeff Fields did a great job. Hope I didn't miss anyone when making speeches but appreciate everyone's help.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's report was sent by Fran Horn to the Leadership Team but not the full board, so it was decided to move to next meeting to discuss.

Membership Report

Membership Report sent out by Ro Mason – April ended with 1557, up 14 from last month. Changes every day as new members join and others time-out.

Activities Chair – Frank Pearce

Typo on sign-in sheet, will be fixed next printing & website. Parents/Guardians of under 18 must sign for them as well as accompany them.

Canoe/Kayaking - Frank Pearce

New leaders, Sally Barry and Frank Burke ran the Toms River trip. Should be more trips coming up as weather warms and a leader recently out of hospital starts up again.

Hiking – Diane Mason

In April there were:

- 91 events scheduled on 29 out of 30 different days of the month and led by 35 different leaders.

Meetup Hiking Group:

- There are currently 1289 members as of 5/12/22 (down from 1291 in April)
- Diligently purging as Ro sends us the lapsed lists.

New Leaders

- Joanne Rizzo, Bill Tahrik, Fritz Schwager, Michael “Moto” Louise

Hiking Leader Training

- Have run 6 Hiking Leader training sessions, have 1 more to schedule.
- It has gone hand-in-hand with Neil’s meetup training sessions...Have received good feedback from Neil’s attendees.

Cycling – Neil Kornhauser

Trips going well, Evening Rides are well-attended and filling more nights. Trips happening all over south Jersey. An eight day bike trip in VA is planned.

Zoom Meetings explaining Meetup and Map Pinning for prospective and even current leaders have happened with good reviews, may have more including a recording of the class to leave on website.

Cross Country Skiing –Barbara Brandt

Apres Party is set for May 21. Five trips already planned for 2022/23 Winter Season and hoping to be able to get some last-minute pop-up trips for when snow hits South Jersey. Planning on more awareness of XC Meetup since it’s teamed up along with Cycling.

Backpacking/Camping – Kevin Drevik

The Mullica River Beginner trip coming up soon. Backpack hikes scheduled one each month June through October with a potential weeklong PA hike planned.

Trail Maintenance – Ro Mason

Three or four more work days left in season, ticks are getting bad. Working on three main projects: Batona Trail in Wharton Forest, “1808 Trail” in Wharton-almost finished and opening date moved to afternoon of June 5; and new trail off of Patty Bowker Rd “Whispering Pines Trail” with opening date also June 5 in the morning. End of Year Trail Maintenance Picnic scheduled for May 31.

Fund Requests

Doug - \$167.05 for postage for the mailing of the leadership gifts. Invoice and form already mailed to Fran. Motion by Barbara Brandt, 2nd by Eloise Williams and approved.

Old Business

Sign-up Sheets – leaders will use their preferred method, whether it's printing the form and having all members sign the waivers or using an on-line version. The on-line version can be downloaded onto the leaders phone so is accessible even in low-cell-coverage area. Option for people to sign if they do not do it on-line, and guests can also sign the paper form

Picnic – Rescheduled to June 11 at Pakim Pond. No charge because of the work of Trail Maintenance Crew. New event will be created. 2 Hikes planned, biking TBD. Plans for kayaks again for members to try out. Unfortunately, the same weekend as Cape May.

Record Retention – Barbara Berman Various members have boxes, filled with old Trekkers, awards, minutes and some extra supplies – stickers, old labels, raffle tickets. Everything will need to be sorted and weened. An initial check of small, closet-sized Storage Unit is \$60 a month.

Bear Safety – Brought up at Leaders Banquet since it's not just North Jersey issue anymore. Frank will add the article to the website.

Leaders Banquet – about 65 participants and a fun-time. Opportunity for Leader suggestions were well-received. Good feedback on cooler gift.

CPR Training – Maura working on numbers, will make a fund request in the future when the totals are in, discussion of using funds from the Greve fund. So far planning training for 56 people, in classes of 14 people at a time – 2 in July, 2 in August. Pinelands alliance would also like to include some people. Still finalizing, will have more information next month.

Cape May Weekend – fully booked, no issues

New Business

T-Shirt Committee – Doug

Color choices will be sent out. Dark Border on dark shirt, added a small white border. Women styles may be available. Turn-around time 7-10 working days. A website set up for e-commerce to be used to order. Shirts around \$22-25, shipping could vary.

Donation Committee – will discuss when Barbara Berman comes back.

Leaders Banquet – already scheduled for next year 2nd Sunday of March -the 12th.

Mark Liable's thoughts – will join again and determine the team's needs.

Adjournment

Motion made by Barb Brandt seconded by Barbara Standke

Submitted by Recording Secretary - Vicky Gordon

President - Joe Fabian