

**SADDLEBOOKE HIKING CLUB
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 6, 2010**

Call to Order & Attendees

David Hydeman, President, called the meeting to order at 2:47 p.m. in the SaddleBrooke HOA#1 Activity Center. In attendance were David Hydeman, Bill Leightenheimer, Ken Wong, and Roy Carter. Elizabeth Tancock stopped by before the meeting to drop off the Treasurer's report, but was unable to attend.

Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the Board Meeting conducted August 4, 2010 were reviewed and approved.

Membership Report

473 total current members as of July 23rd, up 1 member from the June 14th total of 472.

Treasurer's Report

- Opening Balance: \$5,248.19
- Closing Balance: \$5,134.28

Deposits for the month totaled \$20.00, all from membership dues. Disbursements totaled \$133.91, resulting from payments for 3 trash pickup tools (\$64.23), stamps (\$9.68), and newsletter copies (\$60.00).

Still pending are two actions: 1) developing a budget / summary cash flow to serve as a reference for the financial status of the club as we progress through the fiscal year; and 2) reviewing the rules for tax-exempt clubs and determining our compliance.

Dave Hydeman mentioned that he had purchased four state land passes, and that he will be submitting a request for reimbursement. See new business.

An action was assigned to Ken Wong to place a reminder in the next newsletter regarding 2011 membership dues.

Chief Hiking Guides' Report

Statistics for hikes conducted in the August-September timeframe were as follows:

- 15 total hikes (4 A, 6 B, 4 C, and 1 D)
- 87 total hikers (18 A, 36 B, 26 C, and 7 D).

OLD BUSINESS

2011 Grand Canyon Club Hike

We could not get a reservation for Phantom Ranch in May or September of 2011, so alternative plans are being made.

Publicity Chairperson

Dave Sorenson has accepted the position of Publicity Chairperson. Dave joined the club in June of this year.

NEW BUSINESS

4 State Land Department Recreation Permits for the Club

Four permits that will allow us to hike on Arizona Trust Land managed by the State Land Department have been purchased by Dave Hydeman. Trust Land is not available to the general public except by these permits, and will open up new areas for the club to explore.

New Hike Proposal

May 23-28, 2011 has been scheduled for a club trip to the Grand Canyon. The basic plan is to drive up on Monday, May 23rd, hike four days, and return on Saturday, May 28th. Club members will be responsible for their own transportation, food, and lodging. Hikers will be able to select hikes from a menu of A through D types on each of the four days, and possibly a rim-to-rim hike on the 4th day. Details will be forthcoming in the newsletter.

Club Picnic

The Club Picnic will be held on Friday, October 29, 2010 at Catalina State Park. A club meeting will be held at 11:30 a.m. before the picnic lunch. A decision to buy eight gift certificates (\$25.00 each) for door prizes was made, and Ken Wong will make the purchases. Four certificates will come from REI, and four will come from Summit Hut.

Permitting Procedure for Vermilion Cliffs National Monument

There was general discussion on the permitting procedure for hiking at this Monument. Brochures from the Bureau of Land Management will be made available to the membership upon request detailing costs and permit acquisition procedures for Coyote Buttes north and south, Paria Canyon, and Buckskin Gulch.

Arizona Trail Association

We received an invoice for membership dues for the Arizona Trail Association in the amount of \$500.00. We decided not to pay this amount, which is at the "Trail Blazer" level. Rather, we will pay \$250.00, which is at the "Trail Supporter" level.

Maps and GPS Fundamentals Seminar

Work is underway on finalizing presentation materials, speakers, and a location for a two day seminar covering map reading and GPS fundamentals. The tentative dates are November 11-12, 2010, with both sessions to be held in the morning. There will be a geo-caching competition at the end of the 2nd day, and a motion passed to have the club provide a \$25 gift certificate to the winner.

Communications Committee

An initial draft of a matrix describing key club communications within and outside the club was reviewed. It will be the basis for defining roles and responsibilities, and developing an overall communications plan by the Communications Committee. They will meet in October, with results being reported at the December Board meeting.

Next Meeting

The next Board meeting will be held on December 1, 2010 at 2:45 p.m. It will be in the HOA#1 Activity Center at the SaddleBrooke Country Club.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:49 p.m.