

# SaddleBrooke Hiking Club Board Meeting Minutes - December 4, 2013

## Call to Order & Attendees

Larry Allen, President, called the meeting to order at 2:45 p.m at Larry's home. Other Board members in attendance were Dianne Ashby, Susan Hollis, Dave Sorenson, Walt Shields and Melissa Simpson.

## Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the Board Meeting conducted October 2, 2013, previously distributed by Larry Allen, were approved as written.

## Membership Report

Larry Allen reported that membership is 540 members.

## Treasurer's Report

Melissa Simpson provided the report. Our starting balance was \$4,204.59, and our ending balance was \$4661.54. Deposits were \$1150. Expenses were \$693.05 Prepaid dues total \$430.

Melissa agreed to research the donations the club has given and report back by email.

## Chief Guides Report

October/ November Hike Report from Walt Shields:

A: 1 hike with 9 hikers

B: 8 hikes, average # of hikers = 4.75

C: 16 hikes, average # of hikers = 9.2

D: 4 hikes, average # of hikers = 9.7

Note: 17 hikes were canceled in the two months. Twelve hikes were canceled for lack of participation.

## New Hiker Orientation Meeting

Susan Hollis reported that a New Hiker Orientation has been scheduled for January 29,2014. Several guides have offered to assist in the presentation.

## Arizona Trail Maintenance

Walt Shields reviewed a email from Jim Strickler where he suggested the club withdraw from maintaining section 14A of the trail. The club may continue with other volunteer projects and financial support.

Walt agreed to advise the Arizona Trails people of the clubs position.

## Moab Trip -April 28-30, 2014

- Harriet Pearson has agreed to organize the group dinner.
- Paul Volpe with the assistance of the Social Volunteers will run pre trip potluck
- Susan Hollis reports that 125 people have signed for the Moab trip.
- Susan suggested that training hikes for the Moab trip be incorporated into the hiking schedule
- The merits of allowing non members to participate in the hikes was discussed

## Volunteer Dinner

Larry Allen asked for board members to come up with a list of volunteers in 2013 that will be acknowledged at a dinner in their honor in February, 2014. A gift certificate will be presented to Carole Rossof for her 10 years of excellence as the Newsletter editor.

Melissa Simpson will advise the Social Committee of the dinner and have them propose a budget.

Larry Allen will purchase a \$100 gift certificate for Carol Rossof to honor her great job as newsletter editor.

#### Spring Picnic

Dave Sorenson agreed to make sure the spring picnic does not conflict with the Moab potluck by contacting the Social committee.

#### Nominating Committee

Walt Shields, Dave Sorenson and Larry Allen agreed that they should constitute the nominating committee for the positions of President, Secretary and Chief Guide. These position will be voted on at the April member meeting.

#### Activities Fair 2014

Diane Ashby said the Activities fair will be January 11, 2014 from 830 to 1100 AM. Volunteers have been advised of the scheduled times to work the fair for the club.

#### New Hiking Guides

Walt Shields reported that Del Hudson, Frank Hartley, Ron Franklin Paul Bishop and Litch Litchfield have volunteered to be guides. A Wilderness Medicine class for new guides and veteran guides if the wish is scheduled for January 9,2014.

#### Incident at Pichacho Peak

Walt Shields and guide Phil McNamee (who led the hike) will discuss the heart attack of a hiker on a club hike and the proper procedures in calling 911, administering to the stricken hiker and how the helicopter rescue unfolded.

Next Meeting is December 4<sup>th</sup> at 2:45 in Coyote Room North.