

Laurentian Chapter of the Adirondack Mountain Club  
Executive Committee Meeting May 10,2012  
Draft minutes

Meeting held at David Trithart's house in Potsdam

Officers attending:Hollis Easter,Betsy Tisdale,John Barron,Ellie Menz,David Trithart, and Dana Chudzinski

Appointed positions attending:Marianne Hebert,Dick Moores,Carolyn Kaczka,and John Omohundro

-H.Easter moved to approve minutes of last meeting,D Trithart 2nd,passed unanimously

-H Easter moved to approve agenda,B Tisdales 2nd,passed unanimously

## AGENDA ITEMS

### 1) NOMINATING COMMITTEE

-Members noted that there are three people interested in being on the nominating committee which are Dick Moores,Duncan Cutter ,and Marianne Hebert

-H.Easter moved to approve members for committee,E Menz 2nd,passed unanimously

-Discussion was started on what positions the committee had to made selections on

-Determined the following positions needed to be filled 1)treasurer 2)conservation 3)membership 4)outings

-Was stated that E.Menz can not run for treasurer due to term limits,B.Mueller can run for outings and H.Easter will take his hat out of the running for membership

-Discussed that newest membership list will be sent to committee to help in the search

-Discussed that if any members attending had any suggestions for replacement ,that they forward info on the possible candidate to the nominating committee

-Stated that suggestions for replacements be determined by early Sept. to be able to get it in the last Northwind of the year

-Suggestions was made to reach out to other local groups for help in the search for replacements

### 2) ADK OUTINGS GUIDELINES AND LIABILITY FORMS

-New outing guidelines were circulated to members to look at

-Changes in turnout minimums where discussed as well as trips to Canada. Turnout minimums are guidelines, not rules. Trips to Canada do not need HQ approval.

-Question of whether chapter should list non-chapter trips in their publications

-Most members thought it was fine as long as they where listed very clearly as non-ADK trips

-Discussion took place with the end result that the outings chair has final say on what gets listed

-Members decided that the chapter should contact the CLUB before making any changes to the chapters guidelines for their input

-Discussed whether outing should be approved after the publication of the outings list

-Determined,again,outing chair has final say on matter

-Discussion was started on what liability form should be used by the chapter

-Members agreed that the more simple the better

-H.Easter moved to use the official ADK group liability form,D.Trithart 2nd,passed unanimously

### 3)SPRING OUTING 2013

-Snell Hall was offered to chapter for no charge for concert

-Stated that chapter will be responsible for cost of sound tech,lighting tech, and custodian

-Chapter to look for volunteer to do lights and sound

- Stated that custodian has to be on site and will be a charge for services
- H.Easter moved to book the venue and artists,D.Trithart 2nd,passed unanimously
- Opinions were given on how to charge for concert through the fee for the outing,and to the general public
- B.Tisdale volunteered the help the committee in any way
- Members discussed that all major decisions should be made by January of 2013
- Members discussed that it would be a good idea to advertise Spring outing with basic info such as the concert,without any specifics

#### 4)ROUND TABLE

##### E.Menz

- Stated that cash flow was down
- paid \$700 for campership and \$500 for trail program
- No advertising income
- So far \$585 has been collected in the name of Betty Weeks

D.Moores-no report

M.Hebert-no report

##### H.Easter

- Membership dipped slightly
- Down 3 members between Feb and Mar
- Overall numbers up from this point last year
- Overall in a good place

D.Chudzinski-no report

##### J.Omohundro

- Reports from officers need to be in by end of May to get in the Northwind
- Will put a call out for nomination for vacant positions in next Northwind
- Stated 27 people turned up for Red Sandstone trail weekend

D.Trithart-no report

##### C.Kaczka

- All 2011 minutes are recorded
- Was given archival material by the Betty Weeks family

##### B.Tisdale

- Two boys where chosen for the trails crew program
- One boy and one girls where chosen for Camp Colby program

##### J.Barron

- Stated that Mark Simon has got approval from that RRAC for mountain bike trail on west side of Stone Valley trail
- Stated that RRAC has approved \$1500 to be given for trail work upon Brookfield final approval of trail
- Stated he would contact M.Simon to see what he may need in the future to see if chapter could help out
- Stated he would be going to the Raquette River Blueway Corridor meeting and will be running a table for the chapter
- Stated he attended the EAP meeting at SUNY Potsdam

Next meeting July 19th,place to be announced. Note since the meeting - changed to July 18th, 7 PM at Canton Free Library.