

Adirondack Mountain Club Laurentian Chapter
Annual Meeting and Pot Luck Minutes
Nov 18, 2012
First Presbyterian Church, Canton

Announcements

J. Barron announced that Geri Ames will be stepping down as merchandise coordinator, and asked anyone who may be interested in the position to contact him or another member of the committee.

J. Barron introduced Keith Bollt and Gaetan Foisy, students whom the chapter had sponsored on ADK High School Volunteer Trails. They said a few words about the experience of living in camp and working on the trails near Big Slide. There was loud applause.

Nominating Committee

J. Barron thanked the committee, which included Marianne Hebert, Dick Mooers, and Duncan Cutter, and requested chair Marianne Hebert to hold the election.

M. Hebert presented the following slate of candidates, with a few background words about each:

Vice Chair, Conservation – John Omohundro
Vice Chair, Outings – Bill Mueller
Vice Chair, Membership – Lila Hunnewell
Treasurer – Mary Jane Watson

M. Hebert called for nominations from the floor. There were none. It was moved, seconded, and passed by consensus to close nominations. M. Hebert asked for votes in favor of the slate – appeared to be all. Opposed – none. The slate was elected.

Venturer group sponsorship:

J. Barron spoke about the fact that the chapter has been asked to sponsor a Venturer group being formed by the Boy Scouts. Spoke about the fact that it is a co-ed program. Also discussed were the internal policies of Boy Scouts Of America that may cause the chapter to pause at sponsoring the program. John stated any additional input is welcome. It was suggested that insurance and financial liability may be concerns. It was the consensus of the meeting that a sponsorship should not be done without the consent of ADK Headquarters.

Photo Contest:

J. Barron recognized the members of this year's chapter photo contest committee: overall organizer Tom Ortmeyer and judges Blair Madore, Dick Mooers, and Jim Bullard. Then J. Barron called B. Madore to give the results of the contest.

B. Madore showed the winning photographs and announced the winners. The winners are as follows.

Overall: "Dix Summit January 14, 2012", by Art Boni

Action: "Summiting Iroquois", by Toni Towle

Landscape: "Long Way Home - junction of Van Hoevenberg and Phelps trails", by Art Boni

Nature: "Fragrant Water Lilies", by Ron Larsen

People: "Taken on the summit of Mt Arab", by Nikki Coates

The judges awarded honorable mention recognition to photographs taken by Jeff Miller and Art Boni

Spring Outing

J. Barron gave a brief explanation of ADK Spring Outing, which the chapter will be hosting during June 14-16, 2013.

Guest speaker:

J. Barron announced the guest speaker Mary Coffin. M. Coffin introduced herself and proceeded in presenting a slide show on the North Country National Scenic Trail. M. Coffin gave a progress report and stated things are progressing well. Most of the trail is complete, and some of the gaps being filled in now are close to our area, in Vanderwhacker Wild Forest. Info can be found at <http://www.nps.gov/noco/index.htm>