EMG Outings Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: 07/14/16 Meeting Time: 7:00 Meeting Location: Alpine Shop Minutes submitted by: Terry Allen Minutes Approved: 08/11/16

<u>Attendees</u>

Becky Denny, Bob Gestel, Marilyn Harlan, Doug Melville, Paul Ohlendorf, Jim Rhodes, Mark Schuermann

<u>Minutes</u>

There were no additions or corrections to the minutes. The minutes stand as read.

Old Business

Finalize Meetup Procedures

Jim R. presented the latest draft of the Meetup Procedure.

There was extended discussion on the section about the posting of non-Sierra Club activities. The Excom has given the OC the authority to decide what non-SC activities can be posted. However, the Excom expressed some concern about exposure to additional liability risk. Jim R. was assigned the task of researching this.

There was also lengthy discussion about the value and practicality of requiring all participants to initially be placed on the Wait List. It was decided to make this approach optional.

There was some general discussion about, whether or not, the Meetup effort is paying off.

Meeting Announcements From Other than Sierra Club

This was covered during the discussion of the Meetup Procedure.

Outings Leader Training

Doug reported that he will be working on this in the near future. He will send an email to set up a meeting of the sub-committee.

Jim R proposed an annual leaders retreat as an alternative.

Life Outside Festival

Doug reported that the festival was a positive event. It was hot that day, but they led three hikes around the lake with a total of fifteen participants. Doug thanked the hike leaders: Del Kelso, Patti Feit, Paul Ohlendorf.

Trails Committee Update on Trail Building and Maintenance Week at Current River State Park. Becky D. presented a general update on progress for the event. The event may end up not being a joint event with OTA. The plan to collect a \$5 registration fee has been dropped because of opposition by John Hickey. This means that EMG will need to cover the cost of food. We were updated on the liability waivers to be used. The best way to handle the required DNR forms was discussed. <u>New Business</u> **Tools of the Trade** Skipped due to lack of time.

Labadie Plant – EPA Ruling Skipped due to lack of time.

Police Shootings Sierra Club Response Skipped due to lack of time.

Friends of Hawn

Doug reported that the name of the organization is The Friends of Hawn Association and that they now have 501(c)(3) status. Charter memberships are available for \$50. So far, \$500 has been collected.

Legislature

Skipped due to lack of time.

Next Meeting Date: 08/11/16