

## EMG Outings Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: 06/08/17

Meeting Time: 7:00 – 8:30

Meeting Location: Alpine Shop

Minutes submitted by: Terry Allen

Minutes Approved: 07/13/17

### Attendees

Terry Allen, Becky Denney, Marilyn Harlan, Doug Melville, Paul Ohlendorf, Jim Rhodes, Mark Schuermann

### Minutes

There were no additions or corrections to the May meeting minutes.

### Old Business

#### **Note to Amy Klein about getting involved with Forest ReLeaf of Missouri**

This was addressed last month. There was a general discussion about helping other organizations and/or publishing their events.

#### **Report on Don Robertson State Park Opening (6/2/2017)**

Doug M. reported that the park opened 07/02/17. It was reported at the opening event that the Route 66 State Park bridge over the Meramec River will be re-decked.

#### **Life Outside Festival - Creve Coeur Lake Memorial Park**

The OC will have a tent and will lead hikes around the lake at this event on 06/10/17.

#### **Report on National Trails Day (6/3/2017)**

Paul O., Becky D., and Bob G. staffed a booth at this event. There was also a 20-minute long service project and a 4-mile hike. 120 people visited the SC booth.

### New Business

#### **First Aid Certification**

Doug M. reported that he has recently learned that the outings workshop first aid training does not satisfy SC requirements for certified training. Neither Diane Dubois or Perry, from the Alpine Shop, are certified instructors. This means that none of our outing leaders truly meet National requirements for outing leaders, unless they have taken certified first aid training on their own.

National requires that leaders “Have first aid certification equivalent to or higher than American Red Cross Basic.” Training must be renewed every four years to meet the Currency requirement. Red Cross certification is only good for two years. Doug contacted National about this apparent inconsistency. One person that he talked to said that if the certification is for 2 years, you must re-certify every 2 years. Another person said that SC accepts 2-year certification for 4 years. Doug plans to contact the National outings chair to clear this up.

Doug has contacted some other SC Groups in Missouri to see how they handle the first aid requirement. The Thomas Hart Benton Group (KC) uses the Red Cross for training. They pay for training using money collected on outings. If they fall short of funds, their Group makes up the

difference. The EMG OC doesn't feel like it can expect leaders to pay for their own training.

### **Facebook**

Doug M. brought to the attention of the OC that the EMG has a facebook page. General discussion followed about the operation of facebook and what value it might have to the OC. Jim R. pointed out that some of our leaders don't use facebook.

### **August 21, 2017**

This is the date of the approaching solar eclipse. Doug M. attended a related presentation at the University of Missouri. He pointed out that Missouri is one of the better states for viewing and handed out eclipse pamphlets. Hawn SP is preparing a viewing area. Doug suggested that this would be a good opportunity for an outing.

### **Trails Committee**

There will be an EMG Trails Committee meeting at 9am on 06/10/17.

The deadline for the Ozark National Scenic Riverways Roads and Trails Plan was June 1, but it has been put off due to the flood. The new deadline has not been determined yet.

### **Outing Submission Deadline**

Mark S. advised that the deadline for the next outing period is June 28<sup>th</sup>.

### **Meeting Date**

Jim R. asked about changing the meeting day. Doug M. said that the OC has the room at the Alpine Shop booked for the second Thursday through the end of this year.

### **Young Sierrans**

Terry A. asked if there are any updates on the status of the Young Sierrans section. Doug M. is working with Sara Willey to find out how the Colorado Chapter manages their Young Sierrans section.

### **Excom Meeting Report**

Jim R. asked if Doug could regularly provide a brief recap of Excom meetings.

Next Meeting Date: 07/13/17