

EMG Outings Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: 07/12/18

Meeting Time: 7:00

Meeting Location: Alpine Shop

Minutes submitted by: Terry Allen

Minutes Approved: DRAFT

Attendees

Doug Melville, Paul Ohlendorf, Jim Rhodes, Mark Schuermann

Minutes

There were no additions or corrections to the June minutes.

Old Business

Missouri Chapter Retreat

The retreat was held on June 9th and 10th at Shaw Nature Reserve. The main topic was Nationals new Equity, Inclusion and Justice program. Doug M. will be getting more information about this program on July 23rd. Also, National will be hosting a webinar on this topic on July 25th. This program is a move to attract members from a wider range of ethnic backgrounds.

Eleven Point River Clean-up

This event will be held on the weekend of July 14th. It is a joint event of the Sierra Club and Operation Clean Stream. The plan is for several crews to clean up 48 miles of the river.

Pint Night - Alpine Shop

The Alpine Shop again invited the EMG OC to participate in one of their Pint Night events. It was held on June 14th. Proceeds from the event will be shared by the EMG and Missouri River Relief group. The amount is not yet known.

New Business

Equity, Inclusion and Justice

This was covered under Missouri Chapter Retreat above.

Weekend Outings

Doug M. reported that in the second half of this year only 7 weekends have scheduled outings or events. This leaves 19 weekends without outings. Doug would like to ask and encourage leaders to lead at least one or two weekend outings. While he is not suggesting this for the EMG, he has heard that the Kansas City group requires their leaders to lead a certain number of weekend outings to remain an approved leader. The consensus seemed to be that we should develop an approach for calling this problem to the attention of our leaders and for encouraging them to lead one or two weekend outings.

OLT 201 Training

Doug M. recently reviewed the online OLT-201 course. It was mostly about how to handle people and interaction situations that might arise. There was little about outdoor skills. The book "Outdoor Leadership" addresses many of the same issues as the course. Doug M. thinks it might be a good idea to offer this training if there is enough interest among our leaders.

October Trails Work Week

Doug M. is now the contact person for the October Trails Week event. It will be held October 6-14.

Outings for November and December

Mark S. will be out of town most of August and part of September. Doug will be handling outings scheduling during that period.

First Aid Training

We have around 15 leaders that need first aid training. Doug M. is tentatively planning this for September. He needs to arrange for rental of CPR dummies.

Meetup

Paul O. asked about the value of continuing the outings Meetup program. Meetup hasn't resulted in very many new participants or members. Doug M. feels that Meetup may be useful for attracting new people when we expand weekend outings. Paul O. also pointed out that the non-outings EMG Meetup site is not being kept up to date and he feels that this reflects badly on the EMG.

Next Meeting Date: 08/09/18