# Sierra Club of Pennsylvania, Southeastern PA Group Executive Committee Meeting September 5, 2018 Meeting City Coho, 2401 Walnut Street

ExCom Members Attending: Sue Edwards, Jim Kaff, Kevin Little, Dave Moscatello, Dennis Winters,

JimWylie

Attending by Phone: Ken Hemphill, Pat Beaudet, John Butler ExCom Members Absent: Alexa Manning, Prasad Ramnath Other Members Attending: Emily Davis, Karen Melton

The Meeting was called to order by Dave Moscatello.

Secretary: Minutes were approved as corrected

Treasurer: (Dennis)

C4: Beginning Balance: \$10,296

Income: \$ 3,870 (chapter allocation, SRDC reimbursement

Expenditures: \$ 795 Ending Balance: \$13,371 C3: Beginning Balance: \$ 4,521

Income: \$ 4,314 (Chapter Allocation, SC Grant)

Expenditures: \$ 0 Ending Balance: \$ 8,835

Treasurer's report was accepted

#### **Standing Committee Reports**

Conservation Committee: (Jim Wylie)

Sierra Club Law Suits: There was interest in knowing in what suits the Chapter is involved and who our partners re in these suits.

Karen requested funds for the printing of posters for the Climate Justice Event on September 8. Her request was approved.

#### Political Committee:

#### **Endorsements:**

US Congress: Dennis moved, and Dave seconded, that we endorse Madeleine Dean for US Congress from District 4 (Montgomery County).

The motion passed unanimously.

Philadelphia County: Dennis moved and Sue seconded that we endorse Chris Rabb for Pennsylvania State Representative from District 200. The motion passed unanimously.

Bucks County: Jim moved and Dave seconded that we recommend, Perry Warren (District 31), Gene Digirolamo (District 18 and Tina Davis (District 141) for endorsement. The motion passed.

Chester County: Jim Kaff moved, Jim Wylie seconded that we recommend Christina Sappey (District 158) for endorsement. The motion passed with 6 for and 2 abstentions.

Requests for Pac Funds. Jim moved and Dave Seconded that we request \$500 for Tina Davis's Senate Race and Joe Hohenstein's House race. There was a question of viability and the vote was held off. Campaign Support: Robin will head up this effort until the election.

2019 races: Karen Melton pointed out that political races in 2019 will include county commissioner, the mayor of Philadelphia and all of Philadelphia city council members

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# Newsletter/Communications: (Ken Hemphill)

### **Blogs**

Jim asked all of the members of the executive Committee to help with blog articles that could become part of the quarterly newsletters. He asked for volunteers to write blogs.

## <u>September</u>

Ken Hemphill

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Impact of quarry blasting on ME2

Prasad Ranmath

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Robin Mann

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<u>October</u>

Karen

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Election

Prasad Ranmath

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"Rockhill Quarry"

Sue Edwards

Sue Edwards

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**Environmental Justice** 

November

Dave Moscatello

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Climate & Energy

Pat Beaudet

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TBA

<u>December</u>

**Dennis Winters** 

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TBD

<u>January</u>

Jim Wylie

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**TBD** 

Kevin Little

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Pollution

<u>February</u>

Jim Kaff

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Watershed Restoration

Emily Davis

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Single use plastics

March

John Butler

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**TBD** 

#### **Education Committee:** (Karen Melton / Kevin Little)

The weekly telephone meeting has started again and some will have mini programs.

## **Nomination Committee**: (Alexa Manning)

We are looking for candidates for the 2019 year. It was suggested that we look at minutes to determine which seats are up for election. "The seats being held by John Butler, Jim Kaff, Kevin Little, Prasad Ramnath and Jim Wylie will expire in 2019 and the seats being held by Pat Beaudet, Sue Edwards, Ken Hemphill, Alexa Manning and Dave Moscatello will expire in 2018." From the February 2017

#### **New Member Engagement**: (Prasad Ramnath / Pat Beaudet)

Sondra has been sending the names of new members to the county leaders. A letter is planned to encourage them to volunteer.

The *river cruise* has been rescheduled for September 29, 2018 – there are 33 seats available this time.

**Outings**: (Jim Kaff, Amy Kwasnicki)

Jim reported that there had been no outings in the last 30 days. Three are planned in September, a refinery tour on the 12<sup>th</sup>, a street clean up on the 15<sup>th</sup>, and a Manayunk Canal walk on the 30<sup>th</sup>. Another half a dozen are planned before the end of the year.

# **Old Business**

Green Fest Philadelphia: There will be 2 areas of focus – Ready for 100 and Plastics. Mena Cimeno is working on the display.

# **New Business**

**Announcements**: **Meeting Call-in Number:** 1-866-501-6174, PIN is 1004100#.