

EMG Outings Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: 05/14/15

Meeting Time: 7:00

Meeting Location: Alpine Shop

Minutes submitted by: Terry Allen

Minutes Approved: 06/11/15

Attendees

Terry Allen, Mike Bollinger, Becky Denny, Patty Feit, Bob Gestel, Marilyn Harlan, Doug Melville, Paul Ohlendorf, Dane Kamin

Old Business

1. The March minutes were approved.
2. Changes to procedures 01.02, 04.02, 05.01, were reviewed. No additional changes were suggested. We will vote on them at the June meeting.
3. In regard to voting on the procedure changes, we discussed the issue of qualified voters as defined in Procedure 01 Section 04 . The requirement is that a member must have attended 3 out of the last 6 meetings to be qualified to vote. The feeling was that since this procedure was not officially approved until January 2015 we can't fairly apply it to voting until July.
4. Terry reported that he will be meeting with Mary Ballou next week to work on creating an online repository for OC documents.

New Business

1. Becky reported that she put the outings committee meeting on the EMG Meetings Calendar. This calendar is found on the Get Involved webpage. Discussion followed about this calendar vs the outings calendar found on the home page of the website. An event posted to one calendar doesn't appear on the other calendar. Posting to both calendars is extra work and could lead to errors in synchronization. It was asked, if we want to attract new members to the OC would we do better posting to the more visible outings calendar or to the calendar link under Get Involved.

AA: Terry will talk to Mary Ballou about why there are two calendars and how the new calendar works. Who can post? How are posts submitted to each calendar?

2. More discussion about the website and online content: Who manages web content? Becky reports that Mary Ballou acts as the webmaster but does not manage content. Apparently, Mary works with the site format and enters data as requested by others. Currently, no one is dedicated to general content administration, what Penny Holtzman use to do. We have some email addresses that need to be changed and don't know how to get these changes made.
3. Terry expressed some interest in learning OARS after the project with online OC documents is completed.
4. There was discussion about the recent announcement that the EMG had set up a MeetUp site. Within

the announcement was a statement about a possible second MeetUp site for outings. The OC is unaware of this. While Meetups are good outreach tools, offering EMG outings through this format may present problems related to National policy. Further discussion is needed.

5. E-Newsletter: A large number of outings were listed in the e-newsletter. It was suggested that we request a link to the OARS calendar instead of an actual listing. This would provide a complete list of outings in a better format and prevent any synchronization errors.

AA: Doug will contact the appropriate person about this.

6. Dane Kamin stopped by the OC meeting to present his ideas for Meetup groups. The ExComm passed a resolution to fund a Meetup group for the OC/Trails committee. The decision to go ahead with an outings Meetup is entirely up to the OC. The ability to screen outings participants through Meetup is very limited. The difficulty level of an outing can be indicated. The number of participants can be limited and there can be a waiting list. If we create a Meetup, ExCom requests that any non-SC listings are approved by ExCom.

7. A question was raised about why there are KC group outings on the EMG calendar and who approved this. They are not labeled as non-EMG outings. They are also listed in e-newsletter. We need to find out who is responsible posted these outings and send an official request OC involvement in the future.

AA: Terry will ask M Ballou who requested these postings.

Decisions Made

Next Meeting Date: 06/11/15