

EMG Outings Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: 08/13/15

Meeting Time: 7:00

Meeting Location: Alpine Shop

Minutes submitted by: Terry Allen

Minutes Approved: 09/10/15

Attendees

Terry Allen, Becky Denny, Bob Gestel, Marilyn Harlan, Doug Melville, Paul Ohlendorf, Jim Rhodes, Mark Schuermann, George Behrens

Minutes

The minutes for the July meeting were read and unanimously approved after some discussion about the correctness of the Meetup topic.

Old Business

OC Documents Webpage

Terry A. reported that he just received notice that the final four procedures were approved by the ExCom. He will forward these to Mary Ballou and ask that she add a link to the documents page to the EMG website.

Meetup

Jim R. reported that the Meetup page was currently active. Jim pointed out that you have to click on the "About Us" link to see the statement about contacting the outings leader for approval to attend a hike. Paul O. reported that 20 people had signed up for his Forest Park hike but no one has called him. Jim will be sure that the need to contact the leader is also stated in the outing description.

Jim also reported that you have to specify a time and some sort of location. There was discussion about being too specific with the location and how this could put vehicles at risk, especially in remote locations. 17:00

Mark S. suggested that the value of using Meetup will be determined by the number of new outing participants that it attracts. He also suggested that we evaluate the degree of success after the first year.

Terry A. pointed out that the Meetup header does not conform to the OC procedure header text.

AA: Jim R. will address the header issue.

Doug pointed out the need to keep some notes as we develop the Meetup site to help with later development of an official OC procedure.

Robert's Rules of Order

Doug pointed out that, according to Roberts Rules of Order, it is not necessary to vote to accept the minutes. If no additions or corrections are offered the minutes stand as read.

Status of Amended Procedures

Doug read the ExCom email approving the last four procedures. The Excom suggested that we might need more detail in the complaint handling procedure regarding the appeals process. Terry A. pointed out that the procedure was only a summation of documents available from National.

AA: Terry A. will investigate the appeals process.

Posting Meetings on the OARS Calendar

A discussion about posting OC meetings on the EMG OARS calendar was continued from the July meeting.

AA: Terry A., as secretary, will be responsible for having the OC meetings posted to OARS. List Doug as a contact.

New Business

Pint Night Report

- 140 metal cups were sold in an hour and a half.
- The Alpine Shop presented a check for \$1710.84 to the EMG.
- No beer was sold. Technically, samples were given for the donation. The Sierra Club did not handle any alcohol.
- It was suggested that we should have fitted table cloths for SC events like the Alpine Shop had for Pint Night.
- The event went well and we would like to be invited to participate again.

Outings for Nov and December

Outings are due by August 19th. Don't be late sending outings. Mark will be out of town beginning the August 22. Doug will handle any late outings.

Procedures for Meetups

This was covered as part of new business.

October Trail Work, October 17 - 25

Bob G. reported that he and Paul Stupperich and Becky D. attended a trail planning meeting with Jeff Aires(sp) at Johnson Shut-ins. Jeff will provide one or two pickup trucks for SC use. ExCom promised \$120 for equipment and some amount for food. More leaders are needed. Free camping is available.

Lemonade Fundraiser at Festival of the Little Hills August 21 – 23

- People are needed to help with set up and to man the booth.
- Sign up can be done on Meetup or you can call Jim Young.

First Annual Sierra Club Outdoors National Conference

The conference is at the Clair Tappan Lodge in CA from October 2 - 4. The conference seeks to improve outings on all levels. Jim R. reported that Jim Turner from the Chapter asked him if he or anyone else would like to go. Whether there is any travel funding available from Chapter or EMG is unknown at this time. It was felt that someone from ICO might be a good candidate to participate for EMG.

Decisions Made

Next Meeting Date: September 10, 2015