



Mountain Laurel Ski Club

Board Meeting Minutes, May 10, 2017

Call to order: 6:40 p.m.

Attending: Milli Arnold, Lisa Durland, Joy Dutra, Jonathan Houck, Brian Kirkpatrick, Mike Korby, Gretchen Marx, Clyde Proch, Rick Sullivan, Marge Wasel, Bob Zawacki

Absent: Kathy Augustyn, Norb Church, Cathy Riley

The Board of Directors Transition meeting was preceded by a social hour and dinner with the incoming members of the 2017-2018 Board: Pam Casner, Sharon Houck, Jerry Murphy, Claire O'Connor and Stan Wasel, all of whom remained for the regular Board meeting as observers.

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	MOTION
APPROVAL OF BOARD MEETING MINUTES	The Board approved the minutes of the April 5, 2017 meeting as read. <p style="text-align: right;">Motion Approved.</p>	Gretchen Marx, Jonathan Houck
TREASURER'S REPORT	<p>Treasurers Report: Brian Kirkpatrick presented the financial report for June 1, 2016 through May 9 with projected numbers to May 31, 2017.</p> <p>Highlights:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Net cash flow for the year to date is \$8702 with projected end of year (5/31) \$4,037. • Bank accounts totaled as of this date \$47,196. • Lodge is cash flow positive for 2016-17 when notes excluded from total. • Banquet subsidy for May 6th event less expensive than anticipated when raffle offset considered <p>Brian presented the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held 3/29. This committee meets 4 times a year. Among the duties of this committee</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Developing the annual club operating budget 2. Recommending lodge rates to the Board after soliciting needs from Lodge Operations Committee 3. Recommending membership dues to the Board 4. Budgeting monies for reserve and future improvements. 5. Assuring all financial obligations are met <p>At the March 29th meeting the primary agenda item was to determine if funds would be available to support the 3rd floor lodge renovation this summer. It was determined that funds would be available with a \$10,000 cap. Firm numbers from contractors were required for final approval. This was communicated to LOC in early April. The Committee will meet again at the end of May to review year end financial picture and complete 2017 club operating budget and lodge estimated expenses.</p>	

	<p>Check Approvals:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Three checks will be issued to a total of \$1000 as return of apartment rental deposits to Alice Dooley, Mike Rubin and George Aspland,renters from last ski season (in and out payment through MTL treasury). Motion Approved <p>Motion to accept the Treasurers report. Motion Approved.</p>	<p>Jonathan Houck, Bob Zawacki</p> <p>Gretchen Marx, Clyde Proch</p>
<p>LODGE OPERATIONS COMMITTEE</p>	<p>Jonathan Houck reported on the Lodge Operations Committee meeting held on April 25, 2017.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3rd Floor renovation estimate adjusted down after contractor review of project. New estimates are \$6,000 - \$7000 needed for the work. Additional cost will be bedframes and mattresses. • There will be 4 single beds in the larger back room and 2 single beds in the front room. There will be one bathroom in this area with a second bathroom available for use on the third floor of the main house. • Electrical, plumbing, sprinkler and VT safety issues have already been addressed. Permits will be required. • Sound remediation will be handled using flooring with super insulated carpet tiles. <p>A Board vote related to this project passed at last month’s April 5 meeting with a contingency of a \$10,000 cap on expenses. A new project estimate following contractor walk through in April was adjusted to a \$6000-\$7000 price tag. Given the previous approval with contingency met no Board vote is necessary to proceed. The project will require membership approval at next Member Business Meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work weekend is set for May 19-21. Marge and Stan will be serving dinner and Paula/Penny lunch. On the work list: spackling, painting, repairing heating vents, thorough cleaning of the inside of the lodge and power washing the outside. • A second work weekend is scheduled for October to look at ice jams over second floor door and other work recommendations to be made by the Lodge Committee. <p>No Motion.</p>	
<p>COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE</p>	<p>Marge Wasel reported on the Communications Committee meeting of April 25, 2017. Eric Ardolino, Chairperson</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting agenda included review of Communication Protocol for revision and determination of responsible parties. All can be reached communications@mtlski.com to assure each party is notified of a communication. Incomplete- Work in progress. • Report: The present web site cannot provide a “member only access” option. It is agreed that it is essential the Club address the lack of security for member only content on our club’s website. • A small task force is looking at pre packaged member management systems to provide a more interactive supportive and secure system. Available in these systems are Event registration, membership renewal, sale of logo 	

	<p>items documents photos, paypal for payments, tech support</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Before we consider new systems it was determined that the club needs to archive some records and photos in “the cloud or dropbox”. • A discussion topic was why we continue to share the Sunday Squall with non members for an extended period. • A membership management web site is a long term work in progress <p style="text-align: right;">No Motion.</p>	
CONNECTICUT SKI COUNCIL	<p>Joy Dutra reported that the 2018 On Snow Carnival will be held at Okemo Mountain on March 2-4, 2018.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Newington Ski Club will be responsible for racing and MTL for the fun competitions. • The new CSC Vice President is Marsha Barretta. • The date for the 2018 Snowball is Nov 18. <p>Jonathan Houck added that reservations at the lodge for On Snow weekend will be first available to <u>only</u> those members participating in On Snow activities. Close to date can be open to others.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">No Motion.</p>	
OLD BUSINESS	<p>Drive Trip: Final approval from the Board for the 2018 Drive trip to Sunday River was given at the April 5, 2017 meeting contingent that no other proposals come forward to the President by April 12, 2017. The trip is scheduled for Feb 25 – March 2, 2018. Sunday River is the trip.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">No Motion.</p>	
NEW BUSINESS	<p>Wednesday Night Schedule: The Back Nine Tavern has communicated that May 17 date and May 24 is unavailable, therefore,our next meeting will be May 31, 2017. Marge will be meeting with Don Jenkins,the manager,to confirm the 2017-18 meeting/event schedule.</p> <p>The Board was satisfied with the Hawk’s Landing venue for this past MTL Annual Banquet A motion was made to reserve Hawk’s Landing for the banquet next year .</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Motion Approved.</p>	Jonathan Houck, Gretchen Marx
MEETING ADJOURNED	<p>There was a short discussion concerning the procedure to be followed for the introduction of a new club sports activity. It was agreed that new activities, i.e., pickle ball introduced and organized by Sharon Houck, spring up at different times and no formal procedure is necessary.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">No Motion.</p>	
	<p>A motion to adjourn at 8:05.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Motion Passed.</p>	Jonathan Houck, Lisa Durland

Respectfully submitted by Milli Arnold, Secretary