

Stark County Ski Club January 19, 2021, Zoom Meeting

Call to Order: President Michael Bishop called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m., allowing people to join via the Zoom platform. He welcomed attendees (25 logged on) and reminded all not to unmute until recognized to have the floor. Mike Bishop asked for a motion not to review the previous meeting minutes. Art Pokopac made the Motion, and Alyssa Givens seconded it. Mike Bishop called for the following reports:

Officer / Chair Reports

President Report: Under Old Business, continuing from November/December, Mike Bishop again contacted Gloria Saiya from Ski.com, who stated we should have the Tahoe bus refund in 7-10 days. There was no additional Old Business, and under New Business, Mike stated that there have been no Executive Board meetings held in 2021.

Treasurer Report: Donna Brancifort reported on the amount in the Treasury and stated it matches the bank statement and spreadsheet. There is a \$1,000 deposit out holding the Breckenridge trip, but all payments are going through Ski.com, so the deposit will be returned. Tahoe refunds will be distributed when we receive the refund from the bus company. Vouchers will be honored regardless of the expiration date, but it is asked that you use the oldest ones first.

Vice President Report: Gail Vogt reported there was no January CMSC meeting. All clubs have pulled their New York and Pennsylvania trips as we did, but individual groups have been skiing in those states. Gail noted that Jim Chaney from the HOF Marathon has contacted her to put together a volunteer group. The marathon dates are May 1 and 2 and there will be reduced participants with fewer events but will include a two-person half marathon relay. The HOF Marathon is a qualifier for the Boston Marathon and can be run virtually. Gail noted that Stark Parks has a Healthy Adventures offering for \$25. You get a t-shirt and recognition for goals. You can log bike/hike/run/walk/ski/kayak miles on your account. Registration ends February 14 but the program runs from January 1 thru December 31. If interested, go to Stark Parks website for the link to sign-up.

Merchandising: Gail Vogt reported she had been given a few personal items but needs 12 items for the embroiderer to set up our logo so she purchased gators and hopes to have them by Canaan Valley / Timberline trip to sell.

Secretary Report: Jennifer Stephan reported she had nothing further to add.

Membership: Debbie Scherer reported 51 new members and membership is at 263. The total of checks collected is \$4,555.

Fundraising: Donna Brancifort reported the last check from AVI for \$700 has been received but has not been deposited.

Newsletter Report: Mike Bishop reported he has worked on reformatting the newsletter and adding hyperlinks. His hope is to move away from paper and link back to the website instead.

Website Report: Mike Bishop reported he and Bill Bail have been working together to research upgrades to improve security and ease of updating the website. They attended a GoDaddy Zoom Meeting.

Facebook Report: Gary Johnson reported he would like to post pictures from Snow Trails meetups if available and if they show members appropriately social distancing.

Social Chair Report: Diane Marzec reported that she is not organizing socials at this time.

Kayaking Report: Jason Stephan reported he is working on plans for a Full Moon Paddle on June 25 on the Cuyahoga River. This involves coordinating with Cleveland Metro Parks and Cleveland Coastguard. Jason would also like to involve CMSC for additional help. Jason will be looking to start regular floats in May when the weather and water are warmer.

Trip Committee Report: Mike Bishop noted that while there are members traveling to NY and PA to ski, there are still travel restrictions/mandates in place and per the Club Constitution and Regulations, the Club will adhere to local laws. At this time, Canaan Valley/Timberline, WV, and Breckenridge, CO trips can be run while we follow the protocols of those states.

Timberline-Canaan Valley, WV Feb 21-Feb 23 \$200 Trip Leader Scott Hunsinger. Scott has 15 rooms reserved and they are all spoken for. If you are interested, Scott can add rooms but would need to know asap. Also, sign up online and don't mail your application since mail delivery is unreliable.

Breckenridge, CO Mar 28-Apr 1 Trip Leader Art Pokopac. Art reported he has 25 are signed up. We are meeting Covid regulations with 2 households per condo.

Snow Trails Update: Andy Findlay reported that Pete Wells was the high bidder of the donated Snow Trails Ski Pass, with a pledge of \$300. It was noted on Friday, Jan 15, 10 club members were at Snow Trails enjoying their passes. Gail Vogt asked if we could get a list of members who bought passes and Andy was going to check at Snow Trails Guest Services.

*Must be a member to go on a trip.

Miscellaneous: Art Pokopac noted he would be attending the Mountain Travel Symposium virtually. President Michael Bishop asked to be included in the upcoming 2022 ski trip discussion with ski.com. They will be looking at 2022 trips and possibly 2023.

Joyce Tolerton stated The Ski Shack gift certificates that were issued several years ago as door prizes from the club blood drive will be honored through May 31, 2021.

Meeting Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:36 p.m. Motion to adjourn was made by Jeri Johnson; seconded by Drew Gonyias.

Respectfully Submitted, Jennie Stephan – Secretary