

EVERETT MOUNTAINEERS

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

JULY 17, 2007

ATTENDEES: Matt Vadnal, Joanie Pryor, Rick Proctor, Bernadette Lamarca, Penny Barker, Pam Dalan, John Laggart, Ed Andrews, Russell Dills, Forrest Clark, Connie Campbell, Mark Bodtker, Sandra Ingalls, Evan Moses, Brian Horstman, Dave Bliss, Carrie Strandell.

CLUB BUDGET, MEMBERSHIP & OTHER ISSUES – Brian Horstman

- Membership dropped to 10,000 as of September 2006.
- 8% decline since 2 years ago compared to 0% decline in 1998
- Factors affecting deficit
 - Insurance cost went up from \$60,000 to \$135,000
 - Building the new headquarters
 - Decrease in membership, increase in operating cost
- Bequests from private parties help with the budget
- Move bank account to Bank of America
- Board wants each branch to have more autonomy in controlling their budget
- Each branch can spend up to \$5000 per incident without asking the board
- Staff of 22 now down to 10
- Conflict with posting similar trips on same day, different branches
 - Coordinate Everett and Seattle websites so activities/trips posted on the Everett website are posted on the main website as well

BRANCH BUDGET – Penny Barker

- Main bank account is Bank of America but still writing checks off of WAMU
- Motion to close WAMU account and transfer moneys to Bank of America on an 11-month risk-free CD at 4.79% interest was seconded and passed

SALMON BAKE – Matt Vadnal

- Sunday, October 7 at the Masonic Park in Granite Falls
- Lunch will be served at noon
- It's free for members
- \$5 for non-members and guests
- \$5 for no shows

ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET – Bernadette Lamarca

- Saturday, November 10 at Best Western Tulalip Inn
- Cost is \$30 per head
- Finalize everything in the next ExComm meeting

FUTURE BRANCH OFFICERS – Matt Vadnal

- Branch officers election at September monthly branch meeting
- No candidates stepped up for next year's positions
- Suggestion to start gathering candidates who would be able to serve as officers for next year
- Offer a mentor program for prospective candidates

MOFAR – Russell Dills

- Russell Dills wants to step down from the webmaster position to focus more on MOFAR
- It is an 8-hour class to be held on a Sunday in September or October

OUTREACH ISSUES – Matt Vadnal

- MESSA (Math, Engineering, & Science Student Association) – partnering with Everett Community College to promote the Mountaineers
- John Laggart is working on getting authorization to waive the initiation fee for new members
- VENTURES – a co-ed branch of the Boys Scouts
- Connie Campbell is leading a Kodiak kayaking trip on Aug. 6,7,8. A group of 9 teenagers ages 14 – 19 are in the team.

GENERAL ISSUES – Matt Vadnal

- Kudos to Evan Moses for doing the first Everett GPS class; there were 10-12 attendees
- Leadership workshop is in the works. Date and location to be decided. It is a free workshop and attendees will get a free lunch. Class has a generic format, but breaks out into different groups (committees). Matt prefers smaller groups instead of the 8-hour session.

BANFF FILM FESTIVAL – Matt Vadnal

- Matt will discuss issue with Rich Barringer
- Plan the date around the other branches' dates
- Forrest Clark and Joanie Pryor have 6 venues in mind to choose from
- Banff Film Festival is a good way to attract new members

LOTM – Forrest Clark

- Problems on NTD – there is still snow on some trails, trails to work on are not assigned until 3 days before the event
- Suggestion to work on Lord Hill instead
- Abolish the June NTD and move it to September and call it Northwest Trails Day
- September is a better month since it is the end of summer and all snow has melted
- Motion approved.

Meeting adjourned at 9:25 pm.

Next ExComm meeting will be on September 18, 2007 at the Snohomish County Admin Bldg. at 7pm.