

EVERETT MOUNTAINEERS

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

January 20, 2009

ATTENDEES: Harlan Brown, Sherri Chisarik, Forrest Clark, Lorna Corrigan, Sandra Ingalls, Joellyn Jackson, John Laggart, Bernadette Lamarca, Rick Proctor, Matt Vadnal, Lee Wilcox

Meeting started at 7:10 PM

Last meeting's minutes reviewed, seconded, approved.

GENERAL ISSUES – Lorna Corrigan

- Youth policy
 - Background check process is still being worked out
 - Age criterion for youth participation depends on the activity
- March 4 membership meeting – potluck and gear grab
- Mountaineers Grand Opening – April 25
 - Open house at 10am – 4pm
 - There will be vendors and exhibitors for outdoor equipment
- Online registration
 - Trips must be posted online to be official
 - Non-members are allowed to sign up for 2 trips only
- Future meeting dates:
 - April 21, 2009
 - June 16, 2009 – budget meeting
 - September 15, 2009
 - October 20, 2009
- No treasurer's report

COMMITTEES UPDATES:

FAMILY – Sherri Chisarik

- Not a lot going on in Everett due to decline in leadership
- EVE, SEA, TAC committees will be combined into one Family Activities Committee
 - Activities are announced via email and/or word of mouth
 - Brainstorming summit at the clubhouse on March 3, 2009
 - Market activities in the paper
- Plan another First Aid course for children
- Need volunteers/leaders

GRANTS PROGRAM – Rick Vershave

- Seminar on how to fill out grants
- Schedule dates: 3/9 or 3/16

SKIING & OTHER ISSUES – Matt Vadnal

- Nordic Skiing successful, 32 people signed up
- Site of monthly meetings
 - Parking not good
 - Church run down
 - Coincides with Narcotics Anonymous meeting
 - Contract expires at the end of the year
 - Looking for a new venue

SKI MOUNTAINEERING – Lee Wilcox

- 35 signed up for Level 1 Avalanche course
- 12 students in the Backcountry Skiing course
- Reinventing the Ski Mountaineering course, should be in place in Fall 2009
- 4 students in Level 2 Avalanche course

CLIMBING – Harlan Brown

- BCC is underway, 25 signed up
- Seattle branch not very helpful in referring prospective BCC students to Everett; Seattle suggests other courses instead like Skiing
- Plans to modularize Climbing course
- Vertical World very expensive, looking for another place for lectures
- ICC – 10 people signed up
- Lost a lot of good leaders

BICYCLING – Rick Proctor

- 6 trips posted between December 2008 and January 2009; no sign-ups due to weather
- February 15, 2009 – first official trip
- April 9, 2009 – bike leader workshop at PUD building, 6:30 – 9pm
- Bicycling tab added to club website
- Bicycling course scheduled in Fall 2009

LOTM – Forrest Clark

- Resigning at the end of the year
- National Trails Day – June 6, 2009
- National Public Lands Day – September 19, 2009
- Tool maintenance workshop in Spring 2009
- Pilchuck L/O completely rebuilt
- 3 Fingers L/O may not last for long

- Forest Fire Lookout Association conference – September 25 -27, 2009 at the Waltz Building in Snohomish, WA

LIVE, LOVE, LAUGH – Sandra Ingalls

- Raised \$3000 at the Awards Banquet
- Working with a web designer to get website functional
- Meeting to lay out goals for the foundation

SOCIAL – Bernadette Lamarca

- In the process of looking for a venue
- Legion Park reserved for August picnic meeting

SCRAMBLING – John Laggart

- 6 people signed up
- Suggestion to lower cost of course

MOFA – Joellyn Jackson

- 50 sign-ups
- Information about the course prerequisites and schedule on the branch website
- MOFAR scheduled for November 1, 2009
- Need MOFA chairperson
- Lorna to visit classes to search for MOFA chairperson

WEBSITE – Lorna Corrigan

- Where our website is headed, how we want to use our website
- Need more graphics
- Vignettes on experiences where we applied what we learned from the courses
- Ask the different committees to be more involved in designing the website, i.e. ideas on what to put on the branch website
- Matt to talk to a website designer regarding our website

OTHER ISSUES:

- Need most recent copy of the Branch Operations Manual
- Contact list to be shared with committee chairs approved
- Forrest still working on getting the Banff Film Festival to come to Everett
 - Lorna will ask Bellingham member to help us get our foot in the Banff “door”
 - Radical Reels is another event we can bring to Everett

WHAT TO DO WITH OUR MONEY – Lorna Corrigan

- Ideas from Forrest Clark
 - Snohomish County was looking into the possibility of moving the Cascade Lookout located by Mt. Si to Lord Hill
 - Forrest had worked out financial plans where it could generate \$35,000 income per year
 - Need seed money

- Community will support construction of the lookout
- Will be able to get materials from generous lumber mill in Snohomish

Meeting adjourned @ 9:00pm. Next excomm meeting – April 21, 2009, same time, same place.