

Minutes
Indianapolis Hiking Club Board Meeting
Date: 18th July 2017

Present: Janet Cohen, Mervyn Cohen, Philip Coons, Harold Crooks, Rena Elsner, Mike Khalil, Jackie King, Pat Lawler, Narcissio Povinelli, Phil Smith, Barb Strite, Kathy Whalen, Ed Wright, Karen Zimmerman.

President Phil Smith - called the meeting to order at 6:00pm at Westlane Middle School.

Minutes The previously distributed corrected minutes of 20th June 2017 were approved.

Financial Report: Kathy Whalen reported that as of 18th July 2017 our balance was \$12,724.18 and net worth was \$12,724.18. The financial report was approved.

Bills submitted for payment and approved by the Board were:

<u>Who</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Reason</u>
Barb Strite	\$95.49	Mileage badges
Barb Strite	\$2.67	Postage

Committee Reports:

Mileage and Membership

New members approved by the Board are;

Laurel Bolles, Becky Deeb, Glenn Evans and Daniel Stec.

Reinstated members approved by the Board are;

Pat Starzynski and Kathleen Widland

Kathy Whalen reported that current membership is 546 compared to 558 last year.

Publicity

Phil Smith made a presentation to about 15 people at the Fishers library. It was well received

Pathfinder

Ed Wright presented the new schedule for August and September. The Board approved this. The due date for hikes for the next schedule will be early, because Ed and Jean will be traveling in September..

Publications

No report

Web master

No report

Electronic Media:

We have 1150 Facebook Likes and 150 Twitter followers

Social

The Club picnic organization is complete. It is on Saturday 29th July. Yahoo group reminders will be sent about 4 days before the hike. Club members will have free admission to the park and gate attendants will be reminded of this authorization early on the morning of the picnic. Some hiking equipment has been donated to the club and this will be given out at the picnic.

Conservation

No report

Recognition and Awards

18 people have qualified for mileage award badges.

Action Items

- A.** Duties of the Publicity Director. To assist recruitment and simplify the role of the publicity director the duty of organizing club displays at outside events was removed from the list of duties.

New Policy

Mervyn Cohen proposed and Mike Khalil seconded a motion.

The duties of the Publicity Director of the Indianapolis Hiking club will no longer include "Provide displays and names of people to assist Club participation in invitations from outside organizations (health fairs, speaker requests). Participation in such events will now require the Board to approve and organize the event."

The Board approved the motion by a vote of 14 to zero.

The revised duties of the Publicity Director are attached as appendix 1 to these minutes

- B.** The Board unanimously selected the 2017 Club Service Award winner. The name will be announced at the Annual Awards Banquet in December.

Other Business:

- A.** The draft Board of Directors list to be presented at the annual meeting was reviewed. The position of publicity director has still to be filled.
- B.** Hiking club insurance.
Phil Smith reported on discussion with our insurance company. We have three policies. A letter describing the policies is attached as appendix 2. The Board approved retaining all three policies at a cost of about \$1,900.00 per annum. Each has a \$1

million limit.

C. December “Christmas Party” name change.

As the Hiking Club has no religious affiliations there was discussion regarding changing the name of this annual event.

New Policy

Mike Khalil proposed and Phil Smith seconded a motion.

The Indianapolis Hiking Club annual December gathering will be called the “Annual Awards Banquet”

The Board approved the motion by a vote of 14 to 0

D. Assignment of hike mileage.

There was extensive discussion regarding mileage assignment. There was general agreement that the hike leader should be responsible. There are numerous situations for which the assigned mileage may not be the mileage that was advertised for a hike.

For the hike group, these include stopping the hike early (lightning), walking more slowly than advertised (poor conditions such as snow, ice or heavy rain) and walking further than advertised. Individuals may leave a hike before its conclusion and not complete the full hike. Decision and vote were tabled until the next meeting.

E. Tracking mileage of minor children of club members.

Up until now this mileage has been tracked and children completing 100 miles before age 18 years were given an award. Because of the new club web entry system for tracking miles, it will no longer be possible to track miles of minor children; they are not full club members

New Policy

Mike Khalil proposed and Jackie King seconded a motion.

The Indianapolis Hiking Club will no longer track miles of minor children of hiking club members

The Board approved the motion by a vote of 14 to 0

F. Ed Wright had been asked by a lawyer to provide a club address. This could only be a PO Box, for which there would be a charge. Ed will investigate further and report at the next meeting

New Business:

Jackie King is investigating possible locations for Board meetings from October 2017. She suggested libraries as one possible location. She will investigate further and report at the next meeting

Place and Time of Next Meeting: The next board meeting will be at Westlane Middle School on 15th August 2017 at 6:00 pm.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Mervyn Cohen, Secretary

Appendix 1 Publicity Director

Duties associate with position:

- Provide publicity for the Club and its activities.
- Be primary contact and spokesperson to outside organizations, media and individuals requesting information about the Club or desire club participation in one of their events.
- Print, edit, and distribute brochure describing the Club to local outlets (libraries, stores, downtown visitor and senior center and other similar organizations)
- Provide club activity and hike schedules to local publications.

Appendix 2. Hiking Club Insurance Policies

Subject- Indianapolis Hiking Club Insurance Summary
Date: July 18, 2017 at 3:55 PM

Good Afternoon,

Per our previous phone conversation, please see below summary and explanation of your current policies with MJ Insurance:

General Liability - Policy 8BLS54898140

What it covers: A General Liability policy protects organizations from liability claims for bodily injury (BI) and property damage (PD) arising out of premises, operations, products, and completed operations; and advertising and personal injury (PI) liability.

Business Auto - Policy BBA\$54898140

What it covers: Hired & Non-Owned Liability covers bodily injury and property damage caused by a vehicle you hire (including rented or borrowed vehicles) or caused by non-owned vehicles (vehicles owned by others, including vehicles owned by your employees).

Directors & Officers Liability - Policy ffNDO2550121B

What it covers: A type of liability insurance covering directors and officers for claims made against them while serving on a board of directors and/or as an officer.

If you have any other questions at all, just let me know. Thank you & Have a great day!

Ashley McGee, Account Manager
MJ INSURANCE