

Minutes
Indianapolis Hiking Club Board Meeting
Date: 20th July 2023

Present: Jean Ballinger, Kathy Braun, Debbie Bucholz, Marti Burton, Phil Coons, Pat Lawler, John McShea, Mary Barbara Miller, Kae Ramey, Lori Showley, Kathy Whalen, Rick Wortman, Ed Wright and Marla Zinkan, Mervyn Cohen, Lorraine Smith

President Rick Wortman called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm at John Knox Church.

Minutes: The previously distributed corrected minutes of June 15th, 2023, were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Kathy Whalen reported that as of 7.20.2023 our balance as \$17,147.97 and net worth was \$17,147.97. The report was approved.

Bills Paid

Date	Payee	Description	Total
07/05/23	Debbie Bucholz	Mileage/Name Badges	\$59.70

Our expenditures for year to date are favorable and under budget for most items. We have received a \$245 refund from our insurance.

Committee Reports:

Membership (mileage, etc.)

New members are Sofya Fradkina, Bev Hoopingarner, Victor Levenson, Yvonne Moss, Shari Osburn, Quinn Osburn, James Radloff, Tari Radloff, Harriet Ross, Serena Shim.

Current membership is 559 compared to 552 last year. We have had 74 new members this year.

Publicity

Marla asked if we should have a booth at the Penrod show in September. It was felt to be a good idea and 7 members volunteered to work at the booth. Marla will submit an application. Entry fee is \$130. We will get two entry tickets free and pay \$75 for 5 additional tickets.

Debbie and Rick staffed a booth at South Westway park. There was little interest in the hiking club.

Pathfinder

The new hike schedule for August/September was approved.

Publications

Kay is comparing prices for printing the schedules at FedEx and Office Depot.

Webmaster

The website is up to date.

Electronic Media

We have 2814 Facebook followers.

Social

The picnic is organized at Eagle Creek Park for noon on Saturday 29th July. There will be hikes at 10:00 am. Hot dogs, drinks and chicken will be provided and members are asked to bring a pitch in dish, as well as donate school supplies.

Action Items

The December club celebration was named the Award Banquet in 2017. By 2019 it came to be called the Winter banquet. To update this change a new policy was adopted.

New Policy

Marti Burton proposed and Mary Barbara Miller seconded a motion. "The Indianapolis Hiking Club Winter gathering will officially be called the "Winter Banquet." The Board approved the motion by a vote of 16 to 0.

Discussion Items:

1. The nominating committee, Debbie Bucholz, Mike Lindstedt, and Cherie Voege, has presented the following slate for officers to be elected at the club annual meeting in September.
President: Debbie Bucholz
Vice President: Marian Fahy
Secretary: Konnie Schlechte
Treasurer: Kathy Whalen
Pathfinders: Jean Ballinger, Ed Wright
Directors: Kathy Braun, Pat Lawler, Mary Barbara Miller, Lori Showley
2. An insurance proposal from a new agent will be available for review at the next board meeting.
3. With all the recent smoke and poor air quality, Rick suggested the club adopt a policy with recommendations for hike leaders to cancel hikes when the air quality index is bad. This was tabled for more discussion at the August meeting.

Place and Time of Next Meeting: The next board meeting will be at John Knox Church School on 17th August 2023 at 1:00 pm.

The meeting adjourned at 2:05 pm.

Mervyn Cohen for Secretary Konnie Schlechte