

Minutes
Indianapolis Hiking Club Board Meeting
Date: 19th September 2019.

Present: Marti Burton, Mervyn Cohen, Philip Coons, Harold Crooks, Bob Hackenberg, Mike Khalil, Kae Ramey, Susan Sievers, Phil Smith, Barb Strite, Kathy Whalen and Ed Wright.

President Phil Smith called the meeting to order at 6:00pm at his home.

Minutes The previously distributed corrected minutes of 15th August 2019 were approved.

Treasurers Report: Kathy Whalen reported that as of 19th September 2019 our balance was \$14,448.92 and net worth was \$14,448.92. The report was approved.

Bills submitted for payment and approved by the Board were:

<u>Who</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Reason</u>
Barb Strite	57.24	Badges
	2.20	Postage
Treasurer	100.00	Deposit for Winter Banquet
Sally Sandman reservation	179.14	Printing – renewal & banquet
	55.39	Envelopes
	178.50	Postage
Treasurer Assembly	100.00	Greg Harger, speaker at General
Liability	1289.00	Liberty Mutual Insurance – General
auto	283.00	Liberty Mutual Insurance – Business
Pat Lawler	<u>13.55</u>	General Assembly ice and drinks
TOTAL	\$2,258.02	

Members

New members are Todd Christopher, Jay Davis, Jenny Egler, Dori Lipschultz, Becky Plunkett, Dave Plunkett, Ginny Robinson, Steve Robinson and Jennifer Schuler.

Cindy Schroeder is a reinstated member.

We have 551 members compared to 570 at this time last year.

Committee Reports

Conservation

No report

Publicity

Susan Sievers will have a booth at the Hendricks County Color Festival on 19th October.

There is a short article about the club in Trail Talk, the newsletter of B & O rails to trails project.

Pathfinder

See below

Publications

No report

Webmaster

The web site is up to date with names of new Board members

Electronic Media

We have 1676 Facebook likes. Twitter followers will no longer be reported as the number never changes much. Phil Coons will explore starting Instagram for club photos.

Social

A reservation has been made at the Nativity Catholic School for the 2020 Winter banquet for Sunday 6th December.

Discussion Items

1. *Future Meetings of the Board.* Marti Burton reported that future meetings will be held at 1:00pm on the third Thursday of each month at the Flanner and Buchanan site at 2950 N High School Rd, Speedway, IN 46224. We will not be in the Main building. The change was welcomed by all Board members.
2. *Hikes with varied mileage options.* Phil Smith initiated a discussion about situations when hikers are not within sight of the hike leader. This occurs on hikes with variable mileage options and also when some hikers go very fast and get way in front of the hike leader. Phil's suggestion was that these hikers should be considered "on their own" and responsible for their own navigation and welfare. The hike leader would no longer be responsible for them.
3. *2019 Club Service Award.* Ed Wright proposed and the Board unanimously approved a candidate for this award. The name will be officially announced at the December Banquet.

Action Items

1. The Board approved the new hiking schedule for October and November.
2. The Board approved that Marti Burton, the President, could appoint the next club historian
3. The Board confirmed appointments, made at the August meeting, to the working group on club history preservation.
4. The Board approved a new donation of \$500.00 and the donation of \$120.00 existing residual funds from last year's hike in Yorkshire, to Eagle Creek Park Foundation.

Place and Time of Next Meeting: The October meeting will be an electronic meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 6:55 pm.

Mervyn Cohen Secretary