

Minutes
Indianapolis Hiking Club Board Meeting
Date: December 16, 2021

President Lori Showley called the meeting to order at 1:01 pm

Present: Marti Burton, Mervyn Cohen, Sue Collins, Anne Heighway, Pat Lawler, John McShea, Mary Barbara Miller, Kae Ramey, Konnie Schlechte, Lori Showley, Kathy Whalen, Rick Wortman, and Ed Wright

Minutes: The revised minutes of the November 18, 2021 meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Kathy Whalen reported a balance and net worth of \$21,973.74 as of December 16, 2021. The treasurer's report was approved.

Bills submitted for payment and approved by the Board:

<u>Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Reason</u>
Halo	\$864.35	Caps for Awards/Sales quote
Halo	\$50.00	Shipping estimate
Halo	\$75.00	Tax estimate
Board authorized payment of actual Halo invoice when received. Estimated total \$989.35		
Marti Burton	\$10.68	Postage-Membership (mailing packet & badges)
Kathy Whalen	\$6.10	Postage-Membership (mailing packet & badges)
Kae Ramey	\$311.92	Printing Dec/Jan Schedule
Kae Ramey	\$90.00	Postage Dec/Jan Schedule
Pat Lawler	\$19.26	Tablecloths (18) – Winter Banquet
Pat Lawler	\$43.87	Decorations – Winter Banquet
Pat Lawler	\$4.28	Decorations – Winter Banquet
Pat Lawler	\$100.00	Gift Cards/Door Prizes - Winter Banquet
Lori Showley	\$8.00	Water – Winter Banquet
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Lori Showley	\$14.92	Name Tags/Pens – Winter Banquet
Lori Showley	\$12.84	Tablecloths (10) + Cups – Winter Banquet
Lori Showley	\$2.68	Decorations – Winter Banquet
Halo	\$725.46	T-Shirts
Wonder & Awe	\$25.00	Contribution for directory listing
Phil Smith	\$139.10	Sound System Rental – Winter Banquet
Phil Smith	\$9.63	Adapter for Sound System – Winter Banquet
Nativity	\$100.00	Deposit to reserve 12/4/22 for Winter Banquet

Members

New members – Delaram Moghaddam, Annette Moore, Scott Morlock, Kathy Puntarelli, Brendon Sargent, Emily Sargent, Gene Wisner

Current membership is 491 compared to 475 last year.

Committee Reports:

Membership

At Marti's request, President Lori Showley appointed Marti Burton as Membership Officer of the club. The board approved the appointment unanimously.

After a brief discussion of cost savings available for making small changes to the mileage badges, Marti Burton made a motion to change to one ink color (all white) on the badges and to update the figure used to represent a hiker. Kathy Whalen provided the second and the vote was unanimous to approve the changes.

Conservation

A search will begin to fill the open Conservation Officer position.

Publicity

Although she was unable to attend the meeting, Marla Zinkan sent a report that she has left information about the club at Rustic Moon in Broad Ripple, Starbucks at Binford & 71st, and the Wonder and Awe Wellness open house.

Electronic Media

We have 2371 Facebook followers and 2273 Facebook likes.

Discussion Items:

1. During the Winter Banquet recap discussion, Pat Lawler was very happy to report that 898 pounds of food were donated and distributed to local food pantries, along with \$135 cash. As this was the first year with a new caterer, Lori Showley viewed the banquet as a learning experience and has compiled a To Do list for next year. A PDF drawing of the Nativity gym set up is attached to these minutes. Pat and Lori both gave thank you's to all who helped with the success of the event.

2. Pat Lawler will lead the 65th anniversary hike at Holliday Park, Sunday, 1/23/22, at 2 pm. “Tailgate style” refreshments will be offered outdoors prior to the start of the hike, along with the opportunity for conversation among current and former members.
3. There was a discussion regarding distribution of the remaining 65th anniversary packets, with multiple ideas for resolution. Kae Ramey will continue to oversee this project and we will determine next steps at the January board meeting.
4. Discussion of future changes to the Trailblazer are tabled for now. Mervyn Cohen and John McShea will review the ideas and the amount of work involved in making changes after John completely takes over database management duties from Karen Zimmerman. Recommendations for change will be made after their review.
5. Lori Showley will send out a google groups reminder to not leave valuables in your car while hiking following a recent break-in of a member’s car at a trailhead.
6. Proposed 2022 dates:
IHC Board Meetings: 1/20, 2/17, 3/17, 4/21, 5/19, 6/16, 7/21, 8/18, 9/15, 10/20, 11/17, 12/15
Saturday, July 16 Summer Picnic, Eagle Creek Park
Thursday, September 8 General Assembly, Unitarian Universalist Church
Sunday, December 4 Winter Banquet, Nativity Catholic Church

Place and Time of Next Meeting: The next board meeting will be December 16, 2021, 1 pm, at Flanner and Buchanan, 2950 N. High School Rd, Speedway, IN 46224.

The meeting adjourned at 2:08 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Konnie Schlechte, Secretary