

Pebble Creek Hiking Club Minutes

Date: February 18, 2016

Officers Present: Pete Williams, Pat Chernow, Lynn Warren

Officer Absent: Sandy Mednick

Number of Attendees: 43

Call to Order: 7:00 PM Adjourned: 8:00 PM

Subject	Discussion	Recommendations	Follow Up
Introduction of Officers	Pete Williams, President Lynn Warren, Vice President Sandy Mednick, Treasurer Pat Chernow, Secretary	None	None
Introduction of Prospective Members	1 new/prospective member was introduced.		P. Williams
Approval of Minutes	The January 21, 2016 minutes were approved as written.		P. Chernow
Treasurer's Report	Checking account: Balance = \$1,086.00 plus some dues to be deposited. 158 members have paid, 47 are new members. We usually have 1/3 of our membership made up of new members.	None	P. Williams
Statistics and Mileage Awards	Doug Jamiolkowski recognized those who reached another 100 miles and provided certificates. 27 hikers had 100 miles or more	None	D. Jamiolkowski

	<p>this season. We had 115 hikers in one week Feb. 6-12 in 8 or 9 hikes. Stats can be found on the website, pchikers.org, under statistics.</p>		
<p>Trail Maintenance Program for White Tanks Regional Park</p>	<p>The next schedule date is Tuesday, February 23rd and we may do part of the Ford's Canyon Trail to trim bushes. There is a sign-up sheet. This is a good opportunity to give back.</p>	<p>None</p>	<p>P. Williams</p>
<p>Hike Coordinators/Leaders</p>	<p>There is an opening for chairperson of the Safety Committee. The 2017 Spring Overnight hike will need a coordinator. Fall and Spring picnics need coordinators. Contact Pete W. if you are interested.</p>		<p>P. Williams</p>
<p>Safety Committee</p>	<p>Tom Wellman said this is the 3rd season for the committee which is made up of Nancy Love, Lynn Warren, Art Arner, and Tom Wellman. The number one goal of the hiking club is safety of its members. The committee developed policies and procedures and guidelines. It reviews incident investigations to learn from them and to make recommendations to prevent reoccurrence. Mark Frumkin volunteered for the committee. Tom reviewed 2 incidents that occurred in January. 1. Involved a hiker who did the orientation hike and that same week went on a B hike and experienced some issues. The</p>		<p>M. Frumkin</p>

	<p>recommendation is to progress from orientation hike to C hike then to B hikes.</p> <p>2. A hiker did a D hike in order to qualify for the Moab overnight hike and had issues. The Moab trip will be at 5-6,000 feet elevation which will be more difficult than at Phoenix's level.</p> <p>Hikers need to remember that they will be hiking 2-3 days in a row and may not be as conditioned if they have only done 2 hikes over a longer period of time.</p> <p>Also we are getting bigger groups and it is better to split them up. Some parks don't want more than 15 in a group. If you have ideas, please share them with the Safety Committee.</p>	<p>Ruth Bindler recommended that we be flexible in our requirements. Hikes at 5,000 feet vs sea level and difficulty of the trails needs to be considered. Another factor is regular hikers vs those who want to go on the overnight hikes. Perhaps we should have a Tues. orientation hike, Wed a C hike, and Thurs a D hike for conditioning.</p>	<p>Board</p>
Elections	<p>Ann Rohlman has talked with a couple of members to ask if they are interested in running for office. There are 2 positions up for election: Vice President and Treasurer. A few people are interested in running in the next election. Lynn Warren and Sandy Mednick have agreed to stay on unless someone else is interested in running. The nominating committee is Mark Frumkin and Ann Rohlman plus Lynn Warren. Voting will take place at the March meeting,</p>		<p>Board M. Frumkin A. Rohlman</p>
Fall Overnight Hike	<p>Pat Chernow reported that Roger and Carol Sanders, Jim Laham and herself are the planning committee for the Fall hike which will be Nov. 1-4, 2016 to Temecula, CA. 20</p>		<p>P. Chernow</p>

	<p>rooms have been secured at the Embassy Suites at Temecula Wine Country which is a Hilton property. The rate is \$99.00 + 12.2% tax. There is a website for our club to register. Information and a registration form will be sent out by Pat next week. Roger is working on the hikes and Carol is working on winery tours.</p> <p>Remember that you need 2 hikes in the 4-6 weeks prior to the trip for the category of hike that you are doing.</p>		
March Meeting	<p>Our March Meeting is on Saint Patrick's Day, March 17th. We will have a Pizza Party starting at 6:30 in the Chianti Room at TF. Beverages will be water, ice tea and lemonade. We will have a cake to celebrate our 100,000 miles.</p>		Board
Spring Picnic	<p>The date has changed to April 7th at 4 PM. It is a potluck. The club will provide soda and ice. There will be a raffle of items.</p>		A, Rohlman
Pondering Petroglyphs	<p>A special presentation was done by Jessica Bland, Interpretive Ranger at the White Tank Mountain Regional Park.</p> <p>Petroglyphs are images or pictures carved in rock. There are various methods to determine the age of the petroglyph.</p>		
Shirts, Jackets, and Hats	<p>Betty Garner has brochures for members to purchase shirts, jackets and hats with the hiking club logo. If you have a shirt, etc.,</p>		Betty Garner

	you can have the logo put on it. Payment is due when picked up.		
Next Meeting	Thursday, March 17, 2016 at 6:30 PM for the Pizza Party in the Chianti Room.		March 17, 2016 at 6:30 PM.

Submitted by Pat Chernow, Secretary