



Agenda – Executive Meeting of the Kootenay Mountaineering Club

6:30 PM, Wednesday, June 13, 2018 at Nelson Rec Centre

Present: Sandra Fuller, Peter Jordan, Delia Roberts, Paul Eagles, Bruce Reeder, Phil Best, Sheila Sinkie
Regrets: Laurie Helyer, Tim Clinton, Chris Cowan, Ross Bates, David Heyduck, Peter Oostlander, Cindy Kozak-Campbell

Meeting commenced at 6:35

- 1) **Approval of Agenda** – Approval of agenda moved by Delia Roberts, and seconded by Paul Eagles motion carried.
- 2) **Approval of April 11, 2018 Minutes** – approved.
- 3) **Review of Old business** – no review required.
- 4) **New Business** - no new business.
- 5) **Executive Reports**

a) **President** – There is a 5-year plan for the rebuilding and renovations of the cabins excluding Lost Lake cabin until the application to build is made. FoRR have one more cabin to build this year and then we should be able to ask their members - who are also our members - for their expertise in building ours. Sandra will be sending out a request to the membership for volunteers to help with the work. It has been suggested we start applying for grants to acquire additional funds for the rebuilding project. We need a person to write grant applications (paid position). Delia suggested Susan Chew and will contact her on Sandra's behalf.

b) **Vice President** - Bruce attended the AGM for Federation of Mountain Clubs of BC (FMCBC). H notes are below:

Several developments with the Federation of Mountain Clubs of BC (FMCBC), of which KMC is a member, are worth noting:

1. After several months of discussion by the board of directors, at the AGM, June 9th, a change was approved to the FMCBC bylaws so as to restructure the board itself. This was instituted to make the Board more functional, given that up until now there were 43 Directors (one from each participating club).
 - a. The FMCBC Bylaws were amended to establish a Board of Directors, consisting of 4 Officers, and no more than 7 additional Directors, with 3 Officers or Directors from outside the Lower Mainland. The Directors of the new Board will have regional representation, so that each member club will have input to decisions through their Regional Director. The role descriptions for the new Directors will now be drafted by the FMCBC Nominating Committee and a call issued for nominations in the coming weeks.

2. Due to the current insurance carrier leaving the outdoor recreational market, the FMCBC insurance carrier has been changed to Aon Co. After considerable email discussion and clarification, it is clear that future coverage will be equivalent to that which has been previously provided to FMCBC (and thereby to KMC).
3. The BC Mountain Club from the lower mainland, has withdrawn from the FMCBC. The club had several concerns that were not able to be resolved over the past several months. The BCMC felt the advocacy stance of the FMCBC was not aggressive enough and wished to have the liberty to use FMCBC letterhead in its advocacy efforts without each initiative being approved by the FMCBC board of directors. The club also disagreed with the motion restructuring the FMCBC board of directors; they wished the voting structure that included a weighted voting scheme to favor larger clubs such as theirs. This withdrawal by the BCMC will have financial implication for FMCBC which will be clarified by the Executive Director in the coming weeks.

c) **Treasurer** – absent no report

d) **Membership** - number of members now at 394. Under age 19 -1, 29 – 39 41 members, 40 – 58 95 members, 59 – over 133 members. Discussed having a media specialist position as a current way to advertise, promote mountain school opportunities and encourage younger members to join. It was suggested Vicki Hart and Abby Wilson maybe interested in this and will be contacted and invited to our next executive meeting to explore possibilities.

e) **Secretary** – absent no report

f) **Social** – spring social successful, everyone enjoyed listening to Laura Adams's presentation. 60 people attended. Delia will clarify Laura's intentions regarding the learning opportunity she would like to see offered with her fees.

g) **Huts** – Dave absent written report submitted. Dave has a list of works to be completed on each of the huts this year. Graham, Jamie, Paul, Tim, Bruce and others have expressed interest in teaming to help. A call out to membership was also discussed. Primary focus this year will be on Copper within a 10-12k budget (new roof, other repairs). All cabins will be serviced as usual, Grassy will need a helicopter to access.

At Justin's request Dave has compiled a list of tasks forestry crews could take on if fire season not too busy. Justin and Dave both suggest using ministry funds allocated to huts this year as in subsequent years repairs will become increasingly expensive. Justin has offered a new wood stove which Dave suggests using for Copper. May consider hiring a mini excavator to work on access to Grassy which would allow quad access for servicing. Paul maybe able to help with his crew. Dave has been working on new cabin designs he will present to Engineering this fiscal year. Designs based on accommodate 10, sleeps 8, books for 6', base structure and framing same for all, finishing material and internal furnishing layout differ.

h) **Newsletter/Website** – absent no report

i) **Mountaineering School** – absent report received by email

Mountain school:

Saturday, June 2, 2018 Ice Axe & Crampon use, Movement skills & Rope handling 7 participants

Sunday, June 3, 2018 Crevasse rescue and Snow & Ice Anchors 6 participants

Saturday, June 16, 2018 Introduction to Rock Climbing - Beginner program 6 participants

Sunday, June 17, 2018 Introduction to Rock Climbing - Intermediate skill building 5 participants

Saturday, August 4, 2018 Wilderness Navigation (map and compass) field day (scheduled)

- j) **Conservation** – In regards to Retallack's recent tenure proposal, Peter Jordan submitted a briefing to Government a copy will be posted on KMC website. Thank you to Peter for the excellent submission. Stellar Heli skiing has made a tenure application affecting our area, Peter will be sending out details.
- k) **Climbing** – response has been great; several courses have been full. Delia will help support TAWKROCK by buying hangers and bolts with her \$1000 for equipment. Delia feels we could make a donation to help further, Sandra suggests that be put to a vote at the next AGM.
- l) **Hiking Camp** – new biffy tent and combination lock for storage locker purchased. Updating KMC hiking camp website is in progress, Paul with consult with committee. New battery for satellite phone was purchased. KMC permissions policy hardcopy will now be at hiking camp. We have advised District manager of Forestry and Justin of Parks and Rec where we are going this year. Reconnaissance for Hiking camp is scheduled for June 21.
- m) **Trail Access** – absent no report
- n) **Winter Trips** – Kokanee fully booked 15 people, 5 on wait list.
- o) **Summer Trips** - absent report received by email
Todate (6/14/2018): 277 members; 7 non-members joined various hikes.