

Minutes – Executive Meeting of the Kootenay Mountaineering Club



Tuesday, October 14, 2014 at Castlegar United Church

Present: Jocelyn LaFace, Doug Clark, Leon Arishenkoff, Ross Bates, P'nina Shames, Peter Oostlander, Peter Jordan, Dan Derby, Graham Jamin (joined meeting at (18:55) and Chris Cowan (joined meeting at 20:00).

Regrets: Mark Hatlen and Tim Clinton.

Meeting commenced at 18:39

Approval of Agenda – added to New Business, 4)j. membership year end rollover moved by P'nina Shames and seconded by Peter Oostlander, motion carried.

Approval of September 9, 2014 Minutes – moved by Leon Arishenkoff and seconded by Jocelyn LaFace, motion carried.

Review of Old business

Website redesign – Tim Clinton, distributed his report by email prior to the meeting. Website traffic has increased by over 200%. **Motion:** In light of the extraordinary efforts made by Tim and the thousands of dollars his efforts saved the KMC, it is moved to pay Tim Clinton a onetime award of \$500 and payment of hiking camp dues when he wins the hiking camp lottery moved P'nina Shames and seconded by Ross Bates, motion carried.

KMC 50th anniversary – Peter Oostlander, distribution of crests will continue at KMC social and AGM, balance to be mailed out. There was a suggestion to have a 50th anniversary cake at the AGM.

50th Anniversary T shirt – Doug Clark, there was no response to requests of interest; have decided not to proceed.

Club Satellite Phone – Graham Jamin has not had an opportunity to draft a Satellite phone rental agreement. Draft to be developed for January 2015 executive committee meeting.

New Business

Darkwoods Access – Doug Clark, will contact Elena Cigala to see if she will continue to be club liaison with Nature Conservancy of Canada.

New Shelter at the Kaslo Lake wilderness camping area in Kokanee Glacier Park – Dan Derby, provided update from telephone conversation with Hugh Ackroyd Kootenay Lake Area Supervisor, BC Parks. Hugh plans to hold a meeting in late October to discuss the idea of a shelter at Kaslo Lake with *Friends of West Kootenay Park, Alpine Club of Canada and the KMC*.

The executive agreed with continuing to pursue the idea of a shelter, to see what other partners would be interested in participating and what type of shelter and costs would be associated.

Siwash Trails – Ross Bates, Selkirk College would be interested in the trail work but the time of year is wrong for crew availability. Ross will continue to investigate cost, funding and labour options for a Siwash Trail.

Bonnington Cabins Commercial Use Agreement – Graham Jamin, has worked out a new agreement with Forestry. Dates still need to be adjusted. Commercial users are required to pay a \$50 surcharge and get a permit from forestry.

Newsletter costs – Tim Clinton, distributed his report by email. **Motion:** to form an 'online membership Registration/database subcommittee to improve process and product. Will also consider how to deal with paper Newsletter mail out' moved by P'nina Shames and seconded by Doug Clark, motion carried. Subcommittee members are Peter Oostlander, Jocelyn LaFace and Tim Clinton.

KMC Social October 17th – P'nina Shames, all organized with 7 presenters.

KMC AGM November 14th – Doug Clark, annual reports are due October 21, 2014, Hiking Camp report October 31, 2014.

KMC Membership Dues Review – Peter Oostlander, provided financial information about the breakdown of membership dues. After discussion there was no decision to change membership dues. Executive members were encouraged to submit requests for the funding of projects, which could be built into a multi-year plan, pending funding availability. Noted that KMC balance is showing about a \$3,000/year growth due primarily to cabin bookings.

KMC 50 Summit Challenge – Doug Clark, the KMC executive decided to extend the KMC 50th anniversary summit challenge until badges were gone.

Membership Yearend Rollover – Jocelyn LaFace, will get discussed in membership registration/database subcommittee.

Executive Reports

President – Doug Clark, FMCBC annual dues will remain unchanged, \$10/membership plus insurance @ \$7.50/member.

Treasurer – Ross Bates, presented draft 2014 Financial Report (attached) **Motion:** To move \$10,000 from KMC General revenue and \$10,000 from KMC Hut Funds revenue into a 1 year term deposit moved by Doug Clark and seconded by Peter Oostlander, motion carried. Draft 2015 budget presented (attached). Executive committee members were encouraged to provide Ross comments for 2015 budget. This will be presented at the AGM for Approval.

Membership – Jocelyn LaFace,

- 350 members year to date
- 5 new since October 1st

Secretary – no report

Social – P'nina Shames, AGM will be November 14th at the Black Rooster – Super 8 Hotel Conference Room.

Huts – Graham Jamin, all hut work is complete for the year. Helicopter expenses were higher than normal. Still need someone to pack in some supplies to Grassy Hut.

Newsletter – Tim Clinton, emailed report (attached).

Mountaineering School – Peter Oostlander, Winter Skills Course schedule for KMC Members – 2014/2015 season;

- Canadian Red Cross Wilderness and Remote First Aid – November 14, 15 & 16th, 2014
- AST 1 – December 13-14, 2014
- Companion Rescue & Refresher Course – December 14, 2014
- AST 2 – January 22*, 23-25, 2015 *January 22 is half day (late afternoon/evening)
- AST 1 for snowshoers – January 31 and February 1, 2015 (tentative)

Conservation – Peter Jordan, Jumbo proponent's installed one bridge and poured some concrete to try and demonstrate substantial progress to extend environmental impact assessment certificate approval.

Hiking Camp – Leon Arishenkoff (for Mark Hatlen), committee to discuss Hiking Camp wait list policy concern raised by member in recent email.

Trail Access – Leon Arishenkoff, Glacier Creek trail maintenance day went really good. **Motion:** To pay each member of work party that drove their vehicle \$75 for mileage; moved by Graham Jamin and seconded by Peter Oostlander, motion carried.

Summer Trip Report – Peter Oostlander, there have been over 80 trips this summer. 2014 KMC Trip Stats

Year	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009
Scheduled	96	94	82	64		
Cancelled	16	17	20	8		
Trips that went	80	77	62	58	68	46
Total Participants	642	566	472	519		
Members	604	530	435			
Guests	38	36	37			

Winter Trip Report – Chris Cowan, will be working with volunteers to solicit winter trip leaders for the 2014/2015 winter schedule.

Meeting Adjourned at 21:17 pm, next meeting is the AGM November 14, 2014.

Respectfully submitted by Dan Derby, Secretary, Kootenay Mountaineering Club.