

## Minutes – Executive Meeting of the Kootenay Mountaineering Club



Tuesday, April 15, 2014 at Castlegar United Church

**Present:** Doug Clark, Ross Bates, Peter Oostlander, Chris Cowan, Leon Arishenkoff, Tim Clinton, Peter Jordan, Graham Jamin and Dan Derby.

**Regrets:** P'nina Shames and Mark Hatlen.

**Guests:**

**Meeting commenced at 6:30**

**Approval of Agenda** – amended to read “Approval of January 14, 2014” minutes, moved by Peter Oostlander and seconded by Doug Clark, motion carried.

**Approval of January 14, 2014 Minutes** – moved by Graham Jamin and seconded by Ross Bates, motion carried.

### **Review of Old business**

**Website redesign** - Tim provided an update on his work including a discussion on engaging another web server host (webnames.ca) for a 3 year contract as well as hiring a graphic designer to assist with layout. **Motion:** That Tim proceed with website design and hire expertise as required; moved by Doug Clark and seconded by Ross Bates, motion carried. Doug thanked Tim for all his work on the website.

**KMC 50th anniversary** – Jenny Baillie is designing a KMC 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary crest and Doug Clark is researching options for a 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary T shirt.

**Emergency Event Guidelines** – updated version of Emergency Event Guidelines (March 2014) have been posted on website and circulated to our membership. Exec thanked Dan for his efforts in putting this together.

**Treasurer** – the signing officers for the Kootenay Mountaineering Club have been changed to President Doug Clark, Treasurer Ross Bates and Secretary Dan Derby.

**Secretary** – Society Annual Report filed with the province of BC.

**FMCBC AGM in Castlegar June 6 and 7** – 24 directors from other clubs around the province are attending FMCBC AGM. Billets are needed for the weekend. Hosts may need to assist with transportation and provide breakfast(s) for out of town directors. Doug will be hosting a reception at his residence on Friday June 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm. The agenda for the weekend was reviewed and Doug requested help with some of the arrangements/responsibilities. P'nina will need help at the Old Castlegar Theatre on Saturday night.

Motion: Moved: Peter/Seconded: Ross - That KMC approve remuneration for KMC'ers hosting billets to cover expenses. Amount is \$10/night and \$0.50/km, if the host has to drive the billets. Carried

## **New Business**

**FMCBC Liability Insurance Update** – Doug Clark provided a verbal report. Two new policy proposals have been received by FMCBC which both have additional coverage & coverage for legal expenses. The intent is to have a policy in place at a similar cost to the current one when it expires on May 4<sup>th</sup>. FMCBC will engage a lawyer to vet proposals. Validity of club waivers was discussed; Peter Oostlander confirmed that when they were updated last a legal opinion confirmed their validity.

**Kootenay Climbing Association – support/donation** – after discussion there was no support for a donation to the Kootenay Climbing Association. However, if there was some benefit to the membership at large the proponent could resubmit his request for support.

**KMC Survey Results/Information to membership** – overwhelming positive response to club activities was highlighted in survey results. Doug Clark will share the results of the survey with the membership in the next newsletter. As well, the survey results will be posted to the website.

**Vancouver International Mountain Film Festival** –there was no interest in hosting the festival as it is costly and is already being shown throughout the Kootenays by other organizations.

**Club Satellite Phone** – Background info: A new phone is about \$550 with a \$50 hookup fee and about \$300 per year for usage. Annually the club (members) pays;

- \$200 for the 3 weeks of hiking camp
- \$120 (\$10 x 12 persons) for Kokanee ski trip

These costs alone cover the annual usage fee. Graham is often out by himself servicing the cabins, without any way to communicate if there is an emergency. A system for individual club members to rent the phone for a nominal charge was discussed (suggest: \$60 per week; \$10 per day; + \$2 per minute used). **Motion:** That a Satellite phone be purchased from the Hut account and that solar powered recharger be investigated for hiking camp. Moved by Peter Oostlander and seconded by Graham Jamin, motion carried.

**Club Records** – an electronic copy of the club minutes and agendas will be posted on the KMC website. The secretary will maintain a paper and electronic copy.

**Bill 4 and Off Road Vehicle Act** – Bill 4 amendments would allow scientific research to include industrial activity, environmental assessment and or feasibility studies to take place within parks. A conservation section will be added to the website to keep members informed of ongoing concerns and emerging issues.

**Semi-annual Financial Report** – Ross provided KMC interim-financial report to executive – 6 months ending March 31, 2014. (See attached)

**Ron Perrier 'guide book'** – after discussion of Ron's proposal to include his guide book project in/on the KMC website the decision was made to provide a link only. Doug will advise Ron of the executive's decision.

**Winter Trip Report** – from the original schedule, total trips that went ahead: 34, cancelled: 10 and no report received: 2. There were 269 members and 11 guests on the trips with an average of 8.2 on each trip. Leon's snowshoe trip in the Slocan had 28 participants. Like last year, most trips were back country skiing, but snowshoeing continues to be popular and are well attended. A few trips were mixed ski/snowshoe. More cancellations than last year, but the weather was a bit weirder especially early in the winter.

Some highlights in no particular order.... Ross Bates early season trip to Champion lakes... good attendance. Simply decadent series (Peter).... very well attended and fun again. Mid-winter 25k XC ski tour at Paulson (me).... extremely cold, but a good time was had nonetheless. We'll do it again! Leon's magical mystery tour. Kokanee ski week.... by all accounts a great time was had.... evinced by the fact most of them want to go back again. AST courses; everyone agreed these were useful, challenging, fun, and well organized and presented.... Attendees felt much more confident about skiing afterward. 'Backcountry for beginners' organized by Peter Oostlander was a great confidence builder again.

Ski tours in the Rossland range, Kootenay Pass and the Whitewater area were once again awesome. Getting good weather for the overnights in the Bonnington traverse, was a bit of a challenge; either it was too cold, or avalanche hazard was too high.

**Course Discounts for Active Trip Organizers - discussed** discount program for active trip organizers that offers an additional \$25 off the regular members' discount for the following scheduled KMC courses:

- AST-1 and AST-2
- Ice Axe & Crampon use
- Movement skills & Rope handling
- Crevasse Rescue and Snow & Ice Anchors
- Mountain Leadership & Hazard Management
- Wilderness First Aid – short program.

To qualify, you must have organized at least **4 trips in the past year**. As well, Volunteer instructors will receive an additional subsidy of \$25 over and above the regular member \$25 discount. The maximum subsidy per member per year is \$75 and increased to \$150 for active trip leaders and volunteer instructors. This program recognizes the importance of all volunteers within our club. **Motion:** to implement additional \$25 discount for active trip organizers as per guidelines provided above moved by Peter Oostlander and seconded by Ross Bates, motion carried.

**Hiking Camp** – fully subscribed, waiting list and no cancellations to-date.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:55 pm, next meeting June 17, 2014.

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

KMC Financial Report to Executive - 6 months Ending March 31, 2014						
	2014 Actual	% of year	2014 Budget	2013 actual	2013 Budget	Notes 2014 Budget
<b>TIME (months)</b>	6	50%	12	12	12	
<b>REVENUE</b>						
Membership Dues	\$ 9,966.86	87%	\$ 11,500.00	\$ 11,493.00	\$ 10,648.00	
Donations Income	\$ -	n/a	\$ -	\$ 61.43		
Interest Income	\$ 64.90	130%	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.64	\$ 60.00	
Mountaineering School Revenue	\$ -	n/a	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Other Revenue	\$ -	n/a	\$ -	\$ 1,760.00	\$ 1,060.00	2012 FMCBC rebate \$1060 rec'd after yearend
Transfer from Reserve	\$ -	0%	\$ 3,650.00			+ Chic Scott \$700
	<b>\$10,031.76</b>	<b>66%</b>	<b>\$ 15,200.00</b>	<b>\$ 13,365.07</b>	<b>\$ 11,768.00</b>	
<b>EXPENSES</b>						
Newsletter Expenses	\$ 175.28	29%	\$ 600.00	\$ 519.25	\$ 700.00	30 members receive a paper copy (\$20 ea)
Mountaineering School Expenses	\$ -	n/a	\$ -			\$500 (\$25 per course KMC subsidy x 20) to be paid by cabins fund
Conservation Committee	\$ -	n/a	\$ -			
Equipment & Trails Expenses	\$ -	n/a	\$ -	\$ 146.75	\$ 100.00	will be paid out of cabins fund from now on
Library Expenses	\$ -	0%	\$ 150.00	\$ 1,230.55	\$ 100.00	2013 add'l cost covers preservation of paper copies and digitizing the complete Karabiner issues
Social Expenses	\$ 109.21	4%	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 550.00	\$ 1,250.00	KMC 50th anniversary
Federation of Mt. Club Fees	\$ 785.00	31%	\$ 2,550.00	\$ 2,672.00	\$ 3,510.00	225 x \$10 per membership
Federation of Mt. Club Insurance	\$ -	0%	\$ 2,680.00	\$ 2,665.50	\$ 2,472.00	335 x \$8 per member
Administration Expenses	\$ 333.32	83%	\$ 400.00	\$ 488.40	\$ 400.00	
Bank Charges/Paypal Fees	\$ 289.72	77%	\$ 375.00	\$ 368.90	\$ 350.00	
Registrar of Companies	\$ 40.00	80%	\$ 50.00		\$ 40.00	
Supplies & Equipment	\$ -	n/a	\$ -	\$ 1,322.88	\$ 1,200.00	Projector/Screen/Cables
Website Expenses - maintenance	\$ 293.15	59%	\$ 500.00	\$ 746.88	\$ 800.00	Actual budget is \$5,000;
New website design	\$ -	0%	\$ 4,000.00			\$1000 is for the cabin booking system
Miscellaneous Expenses	\$ -	0%	\$ 100.00		\$ 100.00	paid by cabins fund
CAC membership	\$ 200.00	100%	\$ 200.00	\$ -	\$ -	
Incentive Program	\$ -	n/a	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Membership	\$ 12.95	4%	\$ 300.00		\$ 100.00	
Advertising	\$ -	0%	\$ 295.00	\$ -	\$ -	
	<b>\$ 2,238.63</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>\$ 15,200.00</b>	<b>\$ 10,711.11</b>	<b>\$ 11,122.00</b>	
<b>Net Ordinary Income (Loss)</b>	<b>\$ 7,793.13</b>	<b>n/a</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 2,653.96</b>	<b>\$ 646.00</b>	
<b>Other Income/Expenses</b>						
Hut Booking Revenue	\$11,030.00					
Hut Expenses	\$ -					
Trail Expenses	\$ 592.40					will be paid out of cabins fund from now on
Hut Paypal Fees	\$ 365.87					
Mountaineering School Expenses Net	\$ 585.90					\$500 (\$25 per course KMC subsidy x 20) to be paid by cabins fund
New Website design	\$ -					
<b>Net Hut Income</b>	<b>\$ 9,485.83</b>					
Ski Camp Revenues	\$11,590.00					
Ski Camp Expenses	\$ 9,000.60					
<b>Net Ski Camp Income</b>	<b>\$ 2,589.40</b>					2015 ski camp deposits \$2590 (\$185 outstanding)