

**]Minutes of the
KNSC Board of Directors Meeting
May 16, 2017
Hancock chalet**

Call to Order: 7:30 pm

Attendance: Jay Green, Jason Martin, Wayne Stordahl, Bridget Durocher, Mark Roberts, Keith Meyers, John Diebel, Sandy Aronson; Arlyn Aronson; Carolyn Dekker. Absent: Becca Subert, Scott Lindenberg.

Changes/Additions to Agenda: Jay provided 2 via email; added

Changes/Approval of Minutes of last meeting: Motion to approve as submitted by Mark; second by Martin, all in favor; passes.

Treasurer's Report: Written and verbal reports provided by John.

Trail (Groomer's) report: The River Trail extension is progressing well. John did gps it.

Public Comments: none

Business:

Election of officers: John nominates the current slate of officers, second by Wayne; voting to accept the slate, all in favor, passes.

Maasto Music Jam: tabled

Sisu Bridge: planned for summer 2018

Map – John, Jay & Lori: John reported that Lori's volunteer put out a map for MH/CR summer use for comments/review. John will continue to keep in communication with them.

Summer work: discussion on how to communicate, email vs in person. Consensus is, will have committee meetings as needed, each chair will organize as needed. The Maintenance Committee in particular will have a busy summer so will email and meet in person as needed.

DNR trail/ski trail barrier: remains up. John will recruit an assistant and take care of it.

New green shed: some finishing work remains.

BES ski program – Jay reported about a funding opportunity from the Hancock School Foundation. Will follow up with Chris Salani, P.E. teacher, who has agreed to submit the request in our behalf.

Thank you to members/sponsors mailing: will be ready to assemble later this week or early next – Sandy will email the board to set up an envelope stuffing party

Annual Budget: Jay provided written and verbal reports. Motion to accept the proposed budget as a guideline by Keith; second by Mark; no discussion, all in favor, passes.

ATV: We'll request \$7,000 from the City; our share will be \$6,600 including the grant award.

Capital campaign – Jay & Sandy – please continue to discuss with trail supporters when the opportunities arise; we'll try to boost our effort again in the fall.

2017/18 Annual Pass rates: Discussed pros/cons of annual rate change. Motion to keep our all our rates (annual and daily) the same in 2017-18 as 2016-17 by Keith; second by Wayne. Discussion. Seven in favor, one against; motion passes.

Multipass – marketing: Recently Jay met with the folks at the Keweenaw Convention & Visitor’s Bureau; they recommend social media ads, for their low cost, able to reach appropriate people, and can get data back. Also, contacted Swedetown and Tech; both expressed interest in advertising together; will organize a meeting with them plus the visitor’s bureau; Jay, Sandy and Keith will represent KNSC.

Wood ski offer: Connie Julien offered to donate 4 pair of wood skis, which can be used as wall decorations. Jay will reply to Connie; if she can’t get rid of them elsewhere, we’ll take them.

Nature Journal Club: Jay presented info from Becca. New idea – a monthly, year round, family-friendly event, with a leader to guide participants, then a pot-luck afterwards. Discussion. No motion/vote needed, but consensus is to support Becca in moving forward with this, but would like the event to be offered for free. Bridget asks, what about the summer trail access issue? Jay explained that some areas do have year-round access, others do not. John explained, the City is reportedly working on full trail system, year-round access agreements.

Candle luminary LEDs: the LED tea lights are quite a bit dimmer than real candles; John will look into a brighter version.

Bridgefest parade is 6/16/17, line up at 5:30, parade starts 7 – Sandy will coordinate

Next meeting 08/TBD/17

Meeting recessed at 9:31