

California Alpine Club Board Meeting

Alpine Lodge Saturday, January 21, 2017

Board President Jay Gustafson called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM.

Board Member attendance:

President - Jay Gustafson - Present
Vice President - Mark Sapiro – Present
Secretary – Margy Eller – Absent
Treasurer - Bill Mayers - Present
Registrar – Tori Beedle - Absent
Past President - Jim Nixon - Present
Director - Ann Meneguzzi - Present
Director - Pete Castelli - Present
Director - Candy Barnhill - Present
Director - Tim Warden - Present
Director - Dan Larson – Present

Members attending: Cindy Whitehead, Steve Quarles, Nancy Emerson, Kati Wood, Arlin Weinburger, and Bob Henry.

Call to establish a quorum: The president ascertained a quorum was present.

New Business added to Agenda:

7: Christmas Party
8: Nominating Committee
9: Board sponsors for remaining CAC social events through end of CY 2017
10: Awards Dinner

The agenda was accepted.

Approval of Board Minutes from November 19, 2016

Moved/Second: Meneguzzi/Mayers - Approved unanimously.

New Members for Board Approval:

Reinstatement:

Ellen Spittainik; originally joined February 2014
Sponsors: Jay Gustafson and Mal Russell

New Members:

Claudia Cravens
Sponsors: Margy Eller and Jay Gustafson
Shannon and Allan Gomes
Sponsors: Jay Gustafson and Kathy Faherty
Georgene Bonvich
Sponsors: Cindy Toran and Lynn Garric

Moved/Second: Sapiro/Barnhill - Approved unanimously.

Current Business

1.) CAC liability waver: Bill reported and provided a reworded Sierra Club waver form. The topic was discussed at length / discussion halted. Jay suggested Bill, Mark and Dan create a team to provide an alternate sample waver / sign up form for guests and members for organized / scheduled outings for next month's meeting and include Echo Summit Lodge needs if any.

2.) OneTam and Tamalpais Land Conservancy: Jay reviewed CAC's give back opportunity to allow OneTam to use our facility for a day-meeting on February 10 with a CAC Club host and charge member day-use rate. Jim voiced a concern that we are attempting to make a decision for the Trustees and he is not comfortable with that. After further discussion; Candy moved and Bill seconded the CAC Board Subsidize Food and Drink (Out of pocket expense) for the event and provide the sum of \$100.00 for the Lodge. The motion passed unanimously. Jay will inform Alpine Trustees about the fee payment and secure their agreement for this amount.

3.) Outings: Jay reviewed the direction of the Outings expansion led by Renee Hamilton and Ernie Casteaux. The formation of a means by which members could originate possible outings, the mechanism of the approval of such outings, and the use of professional services to guide and assist such outings was mentioned, and will be the subject of an Event's extensive report at the February meeting.

4.) Secretary Position: Jay reviewed that Margery Eller has resigned as CAC Board Secretary effective immediately and will be leaving the Board when her term is up in April. Margery has since corrected this in that she will remain Secretary until the end of her term. She will also support the new Secretary and continue to upload the minutes when they are finalized.

Treasurers Report

Bill Mayers reported briefly on the financials of the club, copies of which were sent to each Board member earlier this week. There were no questions from the Board members present.

Moved/Second: Meneguzzi/Mayers - Approved unanimously.

Lodge Reports:

There were no representatives from the Alpine Lodge in attendance to present a report. Bob Henry was in attendance as a representative from the Echo Lodge.

Echo Lodge requested a sum of \$12,500 from the Joan Casey Estate donation to replace the Echo Lodge mattresses. Ann moved and Mark seconded the motion to approve the request. The motion passed unanimously.

Written reports from each lodge are attached.

New Business:

1.) Volunteerism: Jay revealed that he is looking for a way to develop a list of active volunteers.

2.) Review host responsibilities in “emergencies”: This was discussed at length with a consensus that the Host Training Manuals are adequate and no further action is to be taken.

3.) Alpine Lodge mid-week hikes: Jay reviewed an opportunity for mid-week hikes and a need for Innkeeper Training for both Sunday and mid-week Innkeepers. Jay will discuss with the Alpine Trustees.

4.) CAC Foundation: Arlin reviewed donations for the years 2011 – 2014.

2011	104 Donations	\$2100
2012	116 Donations	\$3000*
2013	101 Donations	\$3700*

* Requested \$10 donation in Dues renewal letter. After discussion, it was suggested Arlin raise the request to \$25.00.

Arlin mentioned that the CACF Board will seek two additional members later this spring due to resignations. (This report replaced Facilities Capital Program which was scratched from the Agenda.)

5.) The yoga on the Mountain program at Alpine Lodge was discussed. A group of members are planning a pilot program for eight late Sunday afternoon yoga classes in the social hall, beginning Feb 5th. A drop-in-fee of \$10/pp will be collected by the qualified host serving the session, and after paying an outside instructor (if one leads the class) the host will make a donation to the Lodge of the class proceeds. Neither financial gain nor reimbursement will be made to the three volunteers. The Trustees have agreed to the sponsors pilot procedures. Jim’s question as to UBI impact was met, as the host in charge will be responsible for collecting the drop-in fee and making disbursements, with the residual made as a donation to the lodge. Candy inquired if there was a mechanism for tracking water use during the trial 8-week period.

6.) The language on the 2017-18 Membership renewal language will not contain a general waiver of responsibility but will encourage members to donate to CACF.

7.) Ann summarized the Children's Christmas Party held at the Alpine Lodge December 10, 2016 as very successful. A GREAT time enjoyed by all....Children's Christmas Party brought in revenue for the Lodge. Mary Frey continued her dedication to and involvement in the Children's Christmas Party.

8.) Nomination Committee: Tim is heading up the Nominations Committee and Jay volunteered to find two additional members if necessary to assist Tim and the present team of three, Tim Warden (chair), Donata Mikulik, Cindy Toran, with Carroll Pearson acting as advisor. Officer, Board Members need be recruited and approved by the nominating committee by the end of February.

9.) Board Sponsors for remaining CAC social events through end of CY 2017 - was not addressed by Chair/Board.

10.) Awards Dinner - Item not addressed by Chair/Board

Meeting Adjourned at 4:00 PM.

Next Meeting February 18, 2017 at the Alpine Lodge, 2:00 PM.

I certify that this is a true copy of the Minutes of the January 21, 2017 meeting of the Board of Directors of the California Alpine Club

Respectfully submitted,

Dan Larson
Acting Board Secretary

ECHO SUMMIT LODGE REPORT

CAC BOARD OF DIRECTORS/QTRLY MEETING – JANUARY 21, 2017

- SNOW!!! Lots of it at Echo Lodge so far this winter. Great for recreation but has caused some difficulties in addition to delay and tough driving conditions: (1) 2 events were cancelled due to severe weather. (2) the dumpster has been full for a few weeks since the disposal company could not get there, but was emptied this past Wednesday. (3) power outage for 4 days delayed some guest arrivals but no loss of food in freezer. (4) snowblower became inoperable and is at repair shop. (5) we have passes for the snowpark but it is not being kept open as quickly as Johnson Pass Road.
- New Mattresses for second floor: We have a bid of \$14,580 to replace all 19 mattresses, including delivery and removal of old ones. A request has been submitted to CAC for \$12,500 of the Joan Casey bequest to allow us to move forward with this project this spring rather than waiting another year.
- The next Echo Trustee Meeting will be Wednesday, February 1st, 5:30 pm, by teleconference.

Cindy Toran

Here's the Alpine Trustees report for 1/21/17:

The January work party which was cancelled due to high winds and heavy rains is rescheduled for Saturday, January 28th. Tom will send a request for an e-mail blast to Helena tomorrow.

Because the work party was cancelled, the Christmas decorations were taken down a few days later by some wonderful volunteers who were at Alpine for other reasons. Thank you to all those who helped.

Another branch of an old tree has blown over. Thanks' to Jay and John for going to Alpine and getting it off the path to the Tam building. The tree will be cut up at the 1/28 work party.

In the past, trustees would reserve four dates over four months for monthly work parties. We've decided to reserve all twelve dates, one for each month of the year at the beginning of the year. This has been done, and the dates will be published in the next Trails.

The trustees of Alpine thank all the members who so generously give of their time and efforts to help Alpine stay so welcoming to all its members and guests.

Thank You,

Tom Coleman

CALIFORNIA ALPINE CLUB
 X BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
 QUARTERLY MEETING
 ANNUAL MEETING

DATE: January 21, 2017.
 LIST OF ATTENDEES

NAME: BOARD MEMBERS (Please Print)

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1	JAY GUSTAFSON	1	Cindi Whitehead
2	BILL MAYERS	2	Steve Quarks
3	MARK SAPIRO	3	Nancy Emerson
4	Pete Castelli	4	John Wood
5	TIM WARDEN	5	
6	Arline Weinberger	6	
7	ROBERT HENRY	7	
8	Anni Meneguzzi BOB & Grl	8	
9	Jim Nixon	9	
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