

DRAFT version2 California Alpine Club Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Alpine Lodge Saturday, Jan 25, 2020

President Jay Gustafson called the meeting to order at 2:40pm.

President Jay Gustafson – Present	Past President Jim Nixon – Present	
V. President Ann Meneguzzi – Present	Director Tim Warden – Present	Director Amy Pertschuk – Present
Treasurer Jeff Grimshaw – Present	Director Nancy Emerson – Present	Director Dan Larson – Absent
Registrar Mark Sapiro – Present	Director Pro Tem Anne Kirwen - Present	
Secretary Candy Barnhill – Present	Members Steve Quarles, Carroll Pearson, Trustee Donata Mikulik present	

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

Recognition of Request to Add Item(s) to Agenda.

Secretary notified the BoD she would be unable to scribe for the February Board meeting.

New Members and Reinstatements for Board Approval:

Saelon Britton, Sausalito, CA	Sponsors: Susan Fenton Olson and Charles Browne
Byron and Cindy Hann, Moraga, CA	Sponsors: John Peterson and David Levin
Carol Reitan, Berkeley, CA	Sponsors: Jennie Bruyn and Robert Freinkel
Richard and Margie Shull, Santa Cruz, CA	Sponsors: Dennis and Martha Stewart and Jennie Bruyn

The Registrar noted that the following members needed to be added for BoD approval:

Craig and Debbie Sultan, Mill Valley, CA	Sponsors: Jay Gustafson and Patty Montmorency
Dr. Jill Redmond, Berkeley, CA	Sponsors: Sandra Finegan and Jennie Bruyn
Sarah Ruzanov & Anthony Ordonez, Sacramento, CA	Sponsors: Jessica Kachian and Nick Wiswell
Carey Allen, Oakland, CA	Sponsors: Jennie Bruyn and Madelyn Misite

Motion by Ann Meneguzzi, Seconded by Jeff Grimshaw. Unanimous approval.

Communication: **Written:** None **Oral:** None

Current Business, New Business, RoundTable Discussions:

Revolving Fund for Outings Committee. An initial fund of \$10,000 from the \$120,000 CAC reserve fund will be established for Outings Program to draw from. Overhead will be added to each trip to replenish the fund. Requests to use monies from the umbrella account will be made by an Outings Committee member, approved by an Outings Co-Chair, submitted to the CAC Treasurer. Checks will be drawn on the Wells Fargo account. Expense reports will be submitted timely to the CAC Treasurer. Jim asked regarding risk and if there is a danger of deposit money being lost; loss is possible.

ACTION: Anne will 1) review the participant cancellation policy and 2) develop a policy to minimize risk. Motion to include approval of funding up to \$10,000 and A) writing of a policy which addresses Risk, B) Protection of CAC investment, C) Participant's cancellation policy and fees, D) Quarterly review by BoD for expenditures to include expenses such as reservations, airline tickets, equipment. First BoD review of expenditures will occur at the July 2020 BoD meeting. [After first year the BoD will decide how often they wish to review the Outings umbrella fund.]

Motion: Provide a one-time front end stipend of \$10,000 to create a self-replenishing fund for the CAC Outings Program to include written policies addressing: A) Risk minimization, B) Protection of CAC investment(s), C) Participant's cancellation policy, D) Quarterly reviews of the Outings umbrella fund. Moved by Mark, seconded by Candy. Unanimous approval.

Alpine Lodge Innkeepers. Roundtable discussion. Some Alpine Trustees and members feel there is not sufficient training for the innkeepers. Although provided written directions via a detailed e-mail, some innkeepers do not know what to do with the donation money received for treats and what the process is for requesting reimbursement for treats. Coffee is provided by Alpine Lodge. There seems to be an issue of lack of mutual respect between hikers and persons overnighing at the Lodge on Sunday mornings. The \$6,000 grant from the CAC to Alpine Lodge covers Sunday use of Alpine Lodge by hikers. The Board is responsible for members. Innkeepers should report incidents to a Board member, not Alpine Lodge Trustees.

ACTION: Write an article in TRAILS reminding members to clean up after themselves and to thank volunteer innkeepers for their time to open the lodge.

Resolution 10B. Jeff had previously reported to the BoD that beginning CY19, the lodges would be billed for fire and liability insurance coverage based on actual cost not square footage. Resolution 10B amended to reflect this change.

Continued Funding for CRM Trialing. Amy reported that the membership dues payment trial period would begin March 2020. The Committee recommends charging a \$5.00 processing fee to members who renew their dues using the membership platform. The **maximum** cost to the Club anticipated to be \$1,000 for **2020**.

Motion: CAC to provide \$1,000 to continue funding for the CRM trial period through CY2020 and use the Join-It membership platform in parallel with the current membership dues renewal procedure. Moved by Jeff, seconded by Nancy. Unanimous approval.

Candy made a motion that CAC provide funding of up to \$175 to help defray the cost of virtuoso fiddler, Colm O’Riain for the St. Patrick’s Day dinner to help ensure that the cost of the event would be at or below the suggested \$20 maximum member price for a BoD social event and that the event would potentially meet the suggested 80/20 [expense/Alpine Lodge revenue] ratio. Roundtable discussion. Motion died for lack of a second.

Review of 2019 Children’s Christmas Party. Candy reported at the November BoD meeting, the Board approved a motion to reimburse up to \$500 for the Children’s Christmas Party. The Children’s Christmas Party was advertised in TRAILS and e-blasts as Saturday December 7th from 1-5pm. Did the Board wish to amend their motion to include the entire week-end. Mark moved and Amy seconded to provide reimbursement for the week-end event. Approval with one abstain. Roundtable discussion on this item and **CAC Events / Alpine Lodge social events / BoD sponsored events** was halted with the request that discussion be postponed to a future meeting due to the lateness of the hour.

Approval of BoD Meeting Minutes from November 16 , 2019. Item skipped.

New Business

1. Need for more local Alpine trustees, more trained hosts for Echo Lodge. Item skipped.
2. Discuss members requirement for service / volunteerism in 2020 – Jay. Item skipped.

Meeting adjourned at 3:40pm.

Next Meeting or BoD Social Event:

- Feb. 15, 2020: BoD - 12Noon TRAILS Announcement by Jan 4 for February TRAILS
- Mar. 14, 2020 St. Patricks Day dinner TRAILS Announcement by Feb 4 for March TRAILS
- Mar. 21, 2020: Nominating 11:30AM, BoD 12Noon ...TRAILS Announce by Feb 4 for March TRAILS
- April 25, 2020: Banquet – 12 Noon... ..TRAILS Announcement by March 4 for April TRAILS
- April 25, 2020: 12:40pm Award(s) presentation(s), Members mtg immediately following, BoD mtf