

MEETING MINUTES
Appalachian Mountain Club (AMC)
Hiking/Backpacking Committee
Boston Chapter

Wednesday, May 14, 2008

Location: Phil Jones' House, Brookline, MA

Present:

Judy Dillman – Chairman

Dan Wiktor – Co-Chair

Bob Kittredge – Harvard Cabin Coordinator

Leandra MacLennan – Trip Reporter (and acting secretary for this meeting)

Gary Schwartz – Interim Website Coordinator

Silvia Zaharinova – Trip Coordinator

Ellen Cullen

Joyce Horrigan

Philip Jones

Cliff Chambers

Joan Wu

1. INTRODUCTION/WELCOME – Judy Dillman

Meeting called to order at 7:15PM

2. MINUTES – As e-mailed

The Minutes of the April 8, 2008 H/B Committee meeting were approved.

3. CHAIR REPORT – Judy Dillman

Reviewed action items:

a. Asked treasurer to confirm leader subsidy checks were mailed

b. Harvard cabin report has been submitted

c. Directions to use web site are in Beta for board members to try

d. The AMC trip listings on Facebook will not be confused with official AMC listings

Summary of the Executive Committee meeting:

a. MUD to go to electronic distribution soon. Electronic delivery will be encouraged.

b. Results of the leaders' survey will be on-line soon.

c. Leadership committee to survey new leaders.

d. Discussion about condition of Harvard Cabin.

4. TREASURER'S REPORT – Treasurer not present

a. No detailed report, but committee is solvent

5. TRIP COORDINATOR'S REPORT – Silvia Zaharinova

- a. Silvia received 17 trips from the trip planning meeting.

June – 9 trips

July – 13 trips

August – 18 trips

September – 8 trips

6. HARVARD CABIN REPORT – Bob Kittridge

- a. April trip was cancelled due to bad weather. \$440 loss.
- b. May trip, 12 participants
- c. June, September and October trips have leaders and co-leaders

7. TRIP REPORTER'S REPORT – Leandra MacLennan

- a. Leandra provided an updated list of reported trips.

8. WEBMASTER'S REPORT – Gary Schwartz

- a. Equipment list now on-line.
- b. More than 100 registered users.
- c. Most users are coming from the main AMC page.
- d. Occasional problems with editing
- e. May use up our entire allocation of 250MB soon. An additional \$50/year will get another 250MB.

9. COMMITTEE PROGRAMS

- a. Spring Hiking Program. 96 people registered. Participants like the breakout sessions.
- b. Wilderness First Aid (WFA). Recommend coordinating dates with other committees. H/B will try to offer at least one per year. The next class will be based at Harvard Cabin and taught at the Solo facility in Conway, NH. Will pick a date soon.
- c. Winter Hiking program. Bob Moore and Phil Jones will be the co-chairmen

10. LEADERSHIP APPLICATIONS – Debbie Ireland not present, Ellen Cullen filling in

- a. Bob Knudsen and Brian Hall were approved as 3 season leaders.

11. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Long discussion about on-line trip listings. Committee members are encouraged to submit trip listings on-line to see how smoothly it works before on-line trip listings are opened to other leaders.
- b. Trip planning meeting on July 8 at Joe Jones Wilderness House. It is recommended that participants RSVP to determine the correct amount of food and drink.

- c. April's trip planning meeting had 57 co-leaders and leaders.
- d. Committee calendar has been started and is on-line. Need to be reviewed, with more detail needed.

12. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Debbie Ireland will be moving out of state soon.

13. NEXT MEETINGS

- a. Next meeting at Dan Wiktor's house. Bring your own outdoor chair and food to grill. Meeting starts early, at 6:30 P.M.
- b. The September meeting will be at Bob Kittredge's house in Newton.

The H/B Committee Meeting was adjourned at 8:55 PM.

Leandra MacLennan
Acting Secretary