Hiking and Backpacking Committee – Boston Chapter, Appalachian Mountain Club

Minutes: February, 2014 Monthly HB Meeting Date/ Time: Tuesday, February 11th, 2014

Location: Host - Stephen Conlin

Attending: Michael Swartz (chair), Stephen Conlin, Bob Kittredge, Yorghos Tripidos, Fred Smith, Philip

Werner, Robert Freed, Jeff Carlson, Bob Knudsen, Keith Watling, Anne Jarek, Alex Nedzel, Carl

Gustenhoven, Paul Terenzi Non Members: Elizabeth Ryan, Phil Barona (YM Chair)

Call to order: 7:00pm Minutes of Prior Meeting:

- Minutes of the prior meeting were approved with the following corrections:
- Change of date to from January 13th to January 14th
- Correction of typo: Philip Wexler to Philip Werner

Executive Committee Meeting: (Jeff Carlson)

- Mud revision on schedule for April 1st. There will be a .pdf of all chapter trips updated nightly.
- Recognition items for trip leaders, gear "freebies" in the works for the future.
- One day leadership training course for leaders for other activities, similar to the Joy Street program for Family Outings.
 - There will be a conference call with committee chairs so that everyone is on the same page.
 - HB committee leadership training will remain the same.
 - The AMC is being rebranded for April 1st although it is not expected to be a drastic change.
 - Multi year renewal of membership now available

Conversation about joint YM trips with the HB Committee: (Phil Barona)

- YM leaders desire assistance intraining new co-leaders
- Allow other committees with a YM co-leader to cross list trips with that committee
- Helpful to keep YM a viable committee
- YM trips over 50\$ require a 5\$ registration fee (built in) to raise money for the committee
- Any money left over will be split equally among the committees involved
- HB trips must have an HB leader but may have a YM co-leader
- Leader age is irrelevant
- There will be no HB cross listing with any other trips other than hiking trips
- Email should be sent to leader list to inform them of changes

Treasure's Report: (Philip Werner)

- 16,598.23 in current assets
- Paypal account is closed and a new one has been opened
- Spring Hiking Program budget is currently being worked out
- Winter Hiking Program had fewer participants than in years past

Trip Coordinator's Report: (Robert Freed)

- Trip leader's names should be added to the trip reports
- Might be helpful to distribute trip report list in a bigger font

- There are 60 total events between January – April 2014

Harvard Cabin Report: (Bob Kittredge)

- The previous Harvard Cabin trip netted a profit of \$261.46

Trip Reporter's Report: (Yorhgos Tripidos)

- Question is raised about what to be done about wilderness area trip group sizes
- Forest service wants to know the total number of participants in wilderness area trips
- Put this issue on the agenda for the next meeting

Webmaster's Report: (?)

- 2013 minutes still need to be uploaded to the website

Winter Hiking Program: (Fred Smith)

- Survey still needs to be pulled together and sent out

WFA Report: (Paul Terenzi)

- 25 Participants for WFA, 14 participants for CPR training
- Cost was \$120
- WFA had a \$448 surplus
- There are 6 other WFA programs being run elsewhere this spring

Old Business:

- Hike rating subcommittee has nothing to report

Meeting adjourned and executive session commenced: 8:00pm