

# FINAL October Minutes

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## H/B Monthly Meeting Agenda – October 10 2018

**DATE/TIME:** Wednesday, October 10th, food at 6:30pm -- meeting at 7:00pm

**LOCATION:** c/o Morgane Treanton, South Boston

**Attendance:** Stephen Conlin chair, Elizabeth Ryan, Rose Limanni, Keith Watling, Robert Freed, Alex Nedzel, Paul Terenzi, Morgane Treanton, Pam Wilmot, Chris Malinowski (guest)

**Minutes** -Minutes from the September 12, 2018 meeting were approved without update.

**Operational Updates** (if needed beyond the written updates)

Functions (Executive Committee; Treasurer; Trip Coordinator; Harvard Cabin; Trip Reporter; Leadership)  
Programs (WHP; SHP; WFA; Lecture Series); active projects

Executive Committee

The Annual Report is due October 15. The budget template was shared with all committees. As of January 1, all committees must move 75% of funds up to the chapter level. November 1 is the MUD deadline. Family Outings is running its gear sale on January 6 in Concord. This year they have opened up the event up to other committees. They have a goal of having 300 people attend the event. The ski committee is running a clinic during the day with snowshoeing. The land and water fund was not reauthorized by the government and funds of run out. HB is going to help the conservation committee with talks on bear safety. Five committees presented nominees for the scholarship program. All five were approved and are taking first responder, guide training, mountain leadership, cross country ski, and avalanche courses.

Trip Coordinator

Coordinators will send and email to everyone on list serve about the five things to watch for to complete trip listings. They will send an email out twice a year after new leaders graduate and that info will go in the leaders corner section of the HB website.

Treasurer:

Bank of America: \$17,528,

PayPal: 1,468

There are 78 participants registered for the winter hiking program. Any treasurer related issues should be brought to Stephen and Elizabeth for the time being.

**Discussion Items**

H/B Budget

Stephen added a line for the future HB leader event. The amount acts as a place holder. Paul Terenzi reminded the committee that they will not be able to request additional funds from the chapter and to thoroughly review the expenses of the budget. Committee approved a motion to add a new category for additional expenses at \$2,500.

H/B Annual Report

This year's annual report may look very different than previous reports as some of the data is no longer

available. For example, the number of trips can only be accessed through the Activity Database, no longer have access to REGI numbers from the chapter.

#### WHP

There are twenty spots still open and the maximum capacity is 110. Robert Freed will check in with Jess to see if more promotion is needed.

#### Boston Chapter scholarship program

Three HB leaders were approved for the scholarship Program. Keith Watling is a recipient for mountain leadership, Patt Grimm for WFA, and Joe Sahl for avalanche courses.

#### Cross posting of trips with H/B and YM

##### YM leaders becoming H/B leaders

Stephen met with Sean, chair of the YM committee. YM leaders who want to lead hiking trips will need to be an HB leader. Trips for 20-30s would be listed under HB and not YM. All YM hiking trips would now be HB trip postings. Trips would be approved by HB and a YM person would help approve that trip. Trips would only be advertised as 20-30s when also being used by YM. The committee discussed how to include the audience field in HB announce, the possibility of age discrimination, and how this makes it easier for the participant to understand the activities. At the next meeting, the committee will review a transition proposal for making YM leaders HB leaders.

#### Presidential Range Hike

The NH chapter has run this for nineteen years and it has also been run by the Worcester and Boston chapters in the past. The hike is a full traverse from Franconia Notch to Appalachia using the inner huts and is a 9 day/8 night trip. The cost per participant runs about \$1,000 per person, with a maximum of 20 participants and 4 leaders. Individuals who come on the trip tend to be a different audience than the general HB participant given the length of the trip and cost. The NH chapter would like to know if the HB committee would be interested in picking up the trip beginning in 2020 as NH no longer has the leadership resources. If the committee is interested in the trip, there is a website that would need to be incorporated into the HB site and the NH chapter would like an answer by June or July 2019. There was some discussion that this trip may be a better fit for adventure travel rather than HB but the discussion will continue.

#### Harvard Cabin weekend for leaders

The Harvard Cabin weekend for leaders is still in progress. The event should combine development and social components, possibly with speakers. Topics include: leader feedback/open forum; and diversity and inclusion. The event will possibly be held in April or May. Will follow up at upcoming meetings. Possible time period April/May for a day event. Alex Nedzel recommends reaching out to the NH chapter because they have done similar programs and may be of help with discussion topics and planning.

#### Trip Planning Meeting October 25th

RSVP for the trip planning meeting on October 25 will go out shortly.

#### Co-sponsorship of program on bears with Conservation Committee

The conservation committee wants to do a program on black bears and would like an additional component on how to deal with bears while hiking and backpacking. The committee is also looking for help from the HB committee with promotion and help on the day of the event. There is no anticipated cost and no date has been set yet. When there is further information, Robert will make sure a save-the-date appears in HB Announce.

#### How to assess/measure participant demand/interest

It appears that a lot of activities are driven by leader interest rather than by participant interest.

Stephen recommends working to blend the two with a goal of increasing the number of activities and the participants engaged. The discussion will continue into next meeting. Issues of discussion will involve how to determine participant interest and how to incorporate into future activities.

#### Executive Session

Jessica Halvorsen was approved as a four season leader. Chris Malinowski was approved as a committee member.

The committee will review the coleader list to see who may need encouragement to become leaders.

#### **Next Meetings**

Tuesday, November 13 - Stephen Conlin, Belmont

Tuesday, December 11 - TBD

The meeting was adjourned at 9:06 pm.