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H/B Monthly Meeting Agenda – April 10, 2019

DATE/TIME: Wednesday, April 10, food at 6:30pm -- meeting at 7:00pm **LOCATION:** c/o Casey Ajalat Boston MA

ATTENDANCE: Elizabeth Ryan, Casey Ajalat, Morgane Treanton, Rose Limanni, Rob Zoletti, Keith Watling, Robert Freed, Chris Malinowski, Alex Nedzel, Paul Terenzi, Chao Xie, Jess Halvorsen (guest)

Minutes - March 13 approved without update.

Operational Updates

Executive Committee - Paul Terenzi

The executive committee will be working on committee teamwork and morale. Currently, committees are working independently and we should work together in the future. New committee members should receive a welcome packet of rules, policies, and committee responsibilities. The committee would also like to improve committee member attendance. Recruitment and diversity remain priorities for the executive committee. On June 15, the executive committee will do a retreat on training and team building exercises. The executive committee hopes to see other committees do so as well. Joe Princi was named the Regional Director, serving on the board of directors of the AMC. The executive committee awarded: \$10,000 to the Bay Circuit Trail for bridge work and the Bay Circuit Trail is now supported and coordinated by the AMC with one staff person assigned to BCT responsibilities; \$10,000 was given to the Guyot shelter, it is a \$100,000 project; \$10,000 was given to Old Speck for trail work. The MUD newsletter information must be sent with the outdoors.org links rather than REGI links. The summer issue is due May 5. The email blast is going out April 12, 13, or 14. Leadership training has seven spots remaining and is almost full. A chapter wide trip planning meeting will be May 9. Friends of the Fells is celebrating its 125 anniversary and AMC will be sponsoring.

Harvard Cabin update - Elizabeth Ryan

Harvard Cabin committee is increasing the usage fee to \$520. Mark does not recommend increasing participant fees and the chair and vice-chairs confirm that Harvard Cabin usage should break even. Claudine Kos has stepped into the at-large position on the committee, representing HB. She and Mark will be monitoring participants numbers. Paul recommends a policy or best practices to be in place to set a number of participants for a trip to run. Jess recommends sharing information of HC during the chapter wide trip planning meeting. Alex will work with Claudine and Mark on creating a best practices document.

SHP - Casey Ajalat

The Spring Hiking Program has 137 participants registered this year with a \$1,000 surplus. Paul will need \$7,000 for Cardigan weekend soon. Paul will send the payment request to the chapter once he receives it.

Training reimbursement policy - Elizabeth Ryan

The committee reviewed the eligibility requirements for leaders and coleaders. The committee determined that it was 2 courses within a calendar year. The committee also discussed budgetary issues, the window to submit reimbursement requests, approved classes, and additional requirements. The committee approved the policy with minor edits.

HB Announce Updates - Morgane Treanton

Chao, Robert, Casey, and Morgane have been working on a redesign of HB Announce. The group is currently testing it out a new service and style and will move forward once everything works well. Chris asked to make sure the format is screen reader ready to make it more accessible.

Executive Session - Elizabeth Ryan

Jess Halvorsen was approved as a committee member. The committee is looking for a new secretary and a new social media coordinator.

Next Meetings

Tuesday, May 14 - Keith W. Tuesday, June 11 - Elizabeth R.

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