

Minutes of SW General Membership Meeting 7:00 PM Jan 8, 2015

Trail Boss Curt Kommer called the meeting to order at 7:00 and commented on the increased amount of Western wear as he looked out over the audience. He also commended us for being the 2nd largest hiking club in Arizona behind the Arizona Hiking Club with 1000 members. He did note that we are a better looking assemblage.

Curt asked for an introduction of any new members present and two new folks responded.

Officer Reports:

Foreman (Sue Taylor):

Foreman's Report 1/8/2015

Starting Cash Balance	\$ 3313.98
Income	\$ 960.00
Expenses	\$-1377.00
Ending Cash Balance	\$ 2896.98

Sunbeam (Linda Schermer):

Linda sent the following get well/sympathy cards:

12/10 -- Richard Neil—get well, back issues

12/18 -- Bernice Brown—get well, broken hand

Hike Boss Reports: (see details at end of minutes)

Tracker Boss Liz Sweeney):

Ambler Boss (Chris Greene): Reba Stone gave report

Dogie Boss (Mark Ducharme):

Mustang Boss (Bob Taylor):

Drover Boss (Cathy Lutz):

Roughrider Boss (Cherie Ferguson):

Round-up Boss (Brad Bell):

Brad thanked all those who submitted hike articles for the Red Rock News and reiterated that there still are volunteers needed to fill vacant slots in his schedule. He encouraged a rush of volunteers to make their intents known.

Chuckwagon Boss (Al Abbot):

Al delivered thanks for all the dessert volunteers from the November as well as the January meetings and gratefully acknowledged all of the help he received for the Christmas Party.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

1. There will be a planning meeting to discuss a new trail system bounded by Cockscomb and Cultural Place (Western Civilization). The meeting will be held at City Hall, 1/12/2015 at 6:30 PM
2. A number of trail system closures were announced by the Forest Service:
 - a. Airport Saddle will be closed through April for general maintenance, new signage, etc.
 - b. Chuckwagon Trail has been temporarily closed due to ice and general wetness
3. The Forest Service had an official pronouncement in regard to “stones in trees”; the issue is trampled plants and tree root compaction. Westerners are encouraged to dislodge these rocks with hiking poles.
4. A Westerner Stewardship Contacts and Reporting form was handed out by Curt. Since we are the “eyes and ears on the Trails” these are our key responsibilities with appropriate contact points.

Break:

Wagon Boss Mary McCaffrey introduced the speaker of the evening, Jay Cravath, the Cultural Director for the Chemehuevi Indian Tribe and member of the Arizona Humanities Council Speakers Bureau. Jay presented an entertaining and thought provoking program, The Instruments and Music of Arizona’s Pioneers.

Curt adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:30 PM

PS: I'd like to thank Michael McCaffrey for standing in as Wrangler in my absence and preparing the minutes for me. Kevin O'Connor - SW Wrangler 2/1/15

Detailed Hike Boss Reports for period following Nov'14 Mtg:

Tracker Boss (Liz Sweeney):

HikeName:	HikeDate:	HLName:	HCLName:	Comments
GPS Training	11/19/2014	Al Cornell	Mike Vitek/Michael Campbell	Class room in am and field work in pm
Sedona Sink Holes	1/7/2015	Paul Lindberg	none	

Ambler Boss (Chris Greene):

HikeName:	HikeDate:	HLName:	HCLName:	Comments
Adobe Jack North	11/20/2014	Reba Stone	Chris Greene	
Mescale Bowl	12/11/2014	Michael Dally	Linda Schermer	
Marg's Draw/Crimson Cliff	12/18/2014	Chris Greene	Reba Stone	
Brins Mesa	1/8/2015	Reba Stone	Chris Greene	

Dogie Boss (Mark Ducharme):

HikeName:	HikeDate:	HLName:	HCLName:	Comments
Hangover	11/18/2014	Jim Warren	Tom Arni	
Wilson to First Bench	11/25/2014	Al Abbott	Dave Vanderwater	
Ledge'n'Airy	12/2/2014	Linda Schermer	Mike Dally	
Doe Mountain/Corkscomb	12/9/2014	Harry Schermer	Linda Schermer	
Carroll Canyon	12/16/2014	Everett Davidson	Perlina McCombs	
Slim Shady and More	12/23/2014	Liz Sweeney	Perlina McCombs	
Mayan Man	12/30/2014	George Witteman	Tom Pallas	
Brins Mesa/Mormon Overlook	1/6/2015	Mark Ducharme	none	

Mustang Boss (Bob Taylor):

HikeName:	HikeDate:	HLName:	HCLName:	Comments
Dripping Springs	11/20/2014	Kevin O'Connor	Barbara O'Connor	
Morning Glory	12/11/2014	Tom Makielski	Robert Paterson	T-J. Losse/ J. Warren/ Frank ?
Bear Mountain	1/8/2015	Bob Bareuther	Bob Taylor	none Tailgater: Frank Will

Drover Boss (Cathy Lutz):

HikeName:	HikeDate:	HLName:	HCLName:	Comments
drover fun	11/16/2014	kevin	none/ none	test
Fay Canyon Overlook	11/16/2014	John Losse	Al Abbott	Tailgaters: Gary Bicker & Cathy Lutz
Damfino Canyon	11/23/2014	Ernie Pratt	Pam Smith	Tailgaters: Ken Lee & Lynn Pratt
Dry Creek Heights	11/30/2014	John Losse	Debby Losse	Tailgaters: Paula Potter & Cathy Lutz
Soldier Pass/Arches	12/7/2014	Gretchen Yager	Cathy Lutz	tailgaters: Ernie DiMillo & Jon Petrescu (had to turn away John Eliason who insists on wearing duck boots)

Roughrider Boss (Cherie Ferguson):

HikeName:	HikeDate:	HLName:	HCLName:	Comments
Sycamore Lollipop	11/22/2014	Tom Blecha	Barbara O'Connor	
Bear Mt./Fay Canyon Overlook	11/29/2014	Linda Archer	Paul Sullivan	
Lost Wilson	12/6/2014	Bill Johnson	Paul Sullivan	
Long Canyon	12/27/2014	Barbara O'Connor	Cherie Ferguson	
The None	1/3/2015	Paul Sullivan	Gus Rousonelous	

Foreman's Report 1/08/2015

	Past Totals	This Period to	1/8/2015
<i>Starting cash balance</i>	\$4,260.65		\$3,007.48
<i>Income 2014-2015 Season</i>			
Dues received	\$6,150.00	\$400.00	
Misc Income (picnic, books, badges)	\$49.00		
Total Income this period		\$400.00	
Total Income this season	\$6,599.00		
<i>Expenses 2014-2015 Season</i>			
Insurance	\$1,999.00		
Fall Picnic/Cookout expenses	\$1,282.15		
Holiday Party	\$200.00	\$208.86	
Spring Picnic/Cookout	\$1,048.07		
Meeting room rental	\$1,902.50		
Sunbeam	\$116.92		
Chuck Wagon (mtg expense)	\$36.96		
Honorarium expense	\$300.00	\$200.00	
Lookout expense			
Nametags/Engraver	\$205.04	\$102.52	
Executive mtg expenses			
Old Timer expenses	\$168.18		
Miscellaneous expenses	\$193.35		
Total Expenses this period	\$7,452.17	\$511.38	
Total Expenses this season	\$7,963.55		
<i>Ending Cash Balance</i>			\$2,896.10