

**Board Meeting (via Zoom) Minutes
June 8, 2020**

Attendees: Terri Petrescu, Al Vander Peut, Charlie Schudson, Dave Vanderwater, David Minott, Deb Weinkauff, Donna Forsythe, Gini O'Brien, Janet Oliver, John Losse, Judy Dolloff, Mark Bealafeld, Michael McCaffrey, Patty Parsons, Ray LaPorte, Sophia Sweeny, Tom Yager, Jim Sweeny.

Terri Petrescu opened the meeting at 2:04 pm

ZOOM MEETINGS

For the month of June, Marj Haas has kindly offered to host our Zoom meetings. Terri brought up a request for the purchase of one Zoom Pro account at a cost of either \$15/month, or \$150/year, starting 7/1/2020. Sophia Sweeny, the Wrangler (secretary) was suggested to be the administrator of this account.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to purchase a Zoom Pro account on a monthly basis, with Sophia Sweeny being the administrator, beginning 7/1/2020.

Action Item: A Zoom Pro account will be purchased for use by the Sedona Westerners on a monthly basis, with Sophia Sweeny as the administrator, starting 7/1/2020.

COVID-19 SOCIAL DISTANCING COMMITTEE

Terri suggested that a committee be formed to look into current changes that should be made to our procedures and practices in order to ensure the safety and well-being of our members. This would be a fluid committee, as their recommendations may change, as situations and mandates change. It was further suggested that the hike bosses be on said committee, along with asking Sedona Westerners member Dr. Curt Kommer to provide his medical expertise and to lead this committee. David Minott volunteered to join and Deb Weinkauff excused herself from being part of this committee. It was also recommended that Crystal Marty be included on this committee, as she is currently hiking in Colorado with a formal hiking group and could provide insight as to how other clubs are proceeding during the epidemic.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to form said committee, and for them to report their recommendations to the Board by Monday, July 6th, 2020.

Action item: A COVID-19 Social Distancing Committee will be formed that will include all 2020-2021 hike bosses and David Minott, minus Deb Weinkauff. Terri will contact Dr. Curt Kommer to ask to lead said committee, and recommend Crystal Marty to join, as well. This committee will give its first recommendation report to the Board by Monday, 7/6/2020. Any decisions on monthly meetings, the Fall picnic, and the Holiday party will be tabled until the next Board meeting, after examining the Committee's recommendations.

HONORARY MEMBERS FOR 2020-2021

Terri mentioned that per our bylaws we had several people who have filled the requirements to be made Honorary Members: all have held office for at least 4 years, and have been members of the Sedona Westerners for at least 10 years. Those considered are: Jim Kemper, John Losse, Mary McCaffrey, Charles Schudson, and James Warren.

A motion as made, seconded and approved to make the aforementioned people Honorary Members for the 2020- 2021 season.

Action Item: Jim Kemper, John Losse, Mary McCaffrey, Charles Schudson and James Warren are Honorary Members for the 2020 – 2021 season.

UNFILLED APPOINTED POSITIONS FOR THE 2020-2021 SEASON

Terri mentioned that we still need to fill the following positions: Historian (who takes care of the yearbook), and the Round Up Boss (who takes care of submitting articles to Red Rock News). No one offered any members that they thought should be approached for either position.

The conversation also brought up that more articles are needed. Al and John brought up some past practices: Wagon Boss runs an article of upcoming programs; outgoing Trail Boss recaps the year and introduces new Trail Boss. Al and Charlie brought up that it would be good for the Sedona Westerners to put on our website a letter stating where we stand now, and that the Executive Board of the Sedona Westerners are in the process of coming up with amended plans for us to operate safely. Charlie will provide Terri with a rough draft of said document. Terri will email all members a request for articles and volunteers to fill our vacant positions.

Action items:

- 1. Charlie Schudson will provide Terri Petrescu a draft of a statement to put on the Sedona Westerners' website updating the members that the Executive Board is working on alternate plans for a safe and enjoyable upcoming season.**
- 2. Terri will send out an email to all members requesting articles for the Red Rock News, as well as volunteers for our open positions.**

ARCHIVAL ISSUES

1. Terri mentioned that for the past few years, our photos have been in a One Drive account, and suggested that we pay annually for this, price was not known at this time. Al mentioned that Google Suite is free for non-profit organizations and that it has the ability to give access to others for photos, with unlimited storage.

No decision was made at this time.

2. Terri also brought up that she has received several boxes of supplies from the previous President, and a discussion ensued about what should be kept and what should be discarded. Two motions were made, seconded and approved: the first one being that the Christmas

decorations that are deemed not needed anymore may be discarded; secondly, all Board members who have any Sedona Westerners boxes, go through them and create a manifest, which will then be sent to Mark Bealafeld to coordinate.

Action items:

- 1. Superfluous Christmas decorations may be discarded.**
- 2. All Board members who have boxes pertaining to the Sedona Westerners, forward a manifest of the contents of said boxes to Mark Bealafeld, who will compile these into a master manifest.**

PAST TRAIL BOSS

Al brought up that Tom Yager, who was the previous year's Past Trail Boss, since last year's Trail Boss is in absentia, that he be acknowledged and made acting Past Trail Boss. A motion was made, seconded and approved to name Tom Yager as acting Past Trail Boss.

Action item: Tom Yager is acting Past Trail Boss.

MISCELLANEOUS TOPICS/QUESTIONS

1. Ray suggested that we visit our annual dues, as due to the COVID-19, our last 2 months of hikes were cancelled, as well as our Spring Cookout. A discussion ensued with various concerns and possible scenarios. A consensus was made that the dues will stay as they are now, and the Board may revisit this after the COVID-19 Social Distancing Committee makes its recommendations for the upcoming season.
2. A discussion was started by John about if there is a way that Westerners can informally reach out to one another for hikes during the summer. Platforms mentioned were Facebook and Meetup. Legality and liability were questions with this. A consensus was made that the COVID-19 Social Distancing Committee will look into this. The Board can then revisit this at another date.

UPCOMING DATES:

Monday, 7/6/2020: COVID-19 Social Distancing Committee submits their recommendations to the Board.

Monday, 7/13/2020, 2 pm: Executive Board will meet via Zoom.

Terri ended the meeting at 3:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sophia Sweeny, Wrangler