

Mountain Laurel Skiers Board Meeting Minutes

MTL Board Meeting on February 4, 2009

Meeting called to order by JH at 6:45 pm

Present:

KC - Kathy Culhane
KL - Kay Leatherman
TK - Tom Knudsen
FM – Fred Murray
IM – Irene Murray
JH - Jonathan Houck
MW- Mandy Weber
CH – Chuck Hannah
EG – Ellen Gilbert

Absent:

AT – Angie Testa
HB - Hank Berger
EA - Eric Ardolino
RS - Rick Sullivan

Approval of Board Meeting Minutes

- o Motion to accept minutes from January 7, 2009 board meeting as amended by FM seconded by KL. Approved by all

Treasurer's Report / Approvals

- o JH reviewed the profit & loss budget vs. actual, previous year comparison and balance.

Member News / Membership

- o Membership is Currently at 510-512 (adult and child) members

Cheer

- o Marti Andryzeck broke her ankle at Steamboat
- o Jack Uhrynowski was released from the hospital this week.

Ski News

- o MTL is still in first place for Monday Night Racing
- o KL has ordered hats for Monday Night Racing. 20 hats with racing on the back and 20 without racing that will be available to sell to club members.

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- There will be cross country instruction on Saturday 3/7/2009 at Okemo Valley.
- There will be downhill ski instruction at Okemo on 2/14/2009.
- CSC On Snow Carnival will be at Okemo on March 6-8, 2009.

Lodge

- The lodge winter calendar scheduled is posted on the website.
- Lodge voucher sales are currently \$1,000 ahead of last year.
- There will be a crock pot dinner for the Moonlight snowshoe weekend March 6-8, 2009.
- Terri Pappagallo has requested a refund of lodge vouchers due to a ski injury in 12/08. Motion by IM to offer Terri credit for vouchers next year (would have to pay any price differential) and 2nd by KL. 1 opposed.

Wednesday Night Programs and other MTL Events

- The Valentines Dance scheduled for February 11th co-chairs are Aletta Chamberland and Joan Albert
- The St Patrick's Day Dinner chair is Barbara Wysocki. Dinner will be held at Angellino's on 3/18/2009 and will be subsidized by MTL. Members will pay \$18 but Angellino's is charging \$23.
- Lip Sync is in April. Currently looking into locations to hold it.
- Tom Knudsen advised that only 8 members have signed up for club race. Discussion followed that while there is no deadline to sign up and walk ins that day are possible the expectation was that there would be around 50 racers participating. Tom is going away this weekend and will not be back until the Monday before the race to know how many racers have signed up. It would not be fair to Magic to wait until that week to cancel. Motion by TK to cancel club race for this year and 2nd by KL. 1 opposed

Club Trips

- Western Trip- Steamboat Springs is going on this week.

Old Business

- Trip Policy Committee will be meeting on 2/18.
- Rosters are for sale.

New Business

- March Newsletter articles are due to IM by 2/18.
- Elections for officers are in April. Need a nominating committee.
- Annual banquet is May 16th at Wethersfield Country Club.

Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 pm by MW, seconded by FM

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Regular Meeting Treasurer Approvals/Minutes

February 4th

- No requested approvals
- Objections to cancelling club race were raised by Pat Moore and Rob Dexter. Both are planning to race but had not submitted their entries yet. After discussion on whether club race should be run at another location/date, Tom agreed to hold it at Magic if we could get the word out to members that they needed to sign up ASAP. Pat will send an eblast and update the MTL website. Motion made by Pat Moore to overturn the board decision to cancel club race at Magic Mountain and run Club race on 2/21 as planned and 2nd by Rob Dexter. Motion carried. In the future a sign up deadline should be established.

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February 11th

- No requested approvals

February 18th

- No requested approvals

February 25th

- Membership approval request of \$553 Club Race Junior Lift tickets and \$560 for Club Race Fees. Motion by Aletta Chamberland, seconded by Clyde Proch. Approved by all membership.
- Recommendation by John Pappalardo to change the race rules to separate the Junior (up to age 18) from the Seniors. Even though Juniors may get a better time, the club championship should be awarded to a Senior Member. Discussion followed at which time it was also mentioned that the rules were also changed to allow a prospective member to be eligible for the club championship. These members can win and never become member of the club. This issue will be passed onto the next President and board for consideration in advance of next year's club race.