

Mountain Laurel Skiers Board Meeting Minutes

MTL Board Meeting on January 9, 2008

Meeting called to order by EA at 6:40 pm

Present:

AC – Aletta Chamberland
CW – Cheryl Woodin
CH – Chuck Hannah
EA - Eric Ardolino
EG – Ellen Gilbert
FM – Fred Murray
HB - Hank Berger
JH - Jonathan Houck
KC - Kathy Culhane
ML - Mandy Lavallee
PP - Phil Palermo
TK - Tom Knudsen

Absent:

KL - Kay Leatherman

Approval of Board Meeting Minutes

Motion to accept minutes from December 5, 2007 board meeting by FM, seconded by TK.

Treasurer's Report / Approvals

- Reviewed the Compressed profit & loss
- There is an issue with money being held too long and not being reflected in the books in a timely manner. There is currently \$11,000 which has not been turned in for the winter lodge money.
- Currently the books are \$4,000 below last year.
- Motion to purchase 30 additional Okemo lift tickets by AC, seconded by CW.
- There is an outstanding \$110 credit from the Marriot which is still outstanding. Jonathan Houck is working on received this credit for the additional room which was inadvertently charged.
- Motion to accept the treasurers report at re-opening of board meeting by KC , seconded by HB

Member News / Membership

Membership Renewals

- Nothing to Report – Kay is away on business

Cheer

- Harry Fisher is in Middlesex Hospital with Acute Renal Failure. They are trying to move him to Hartford Hospital.
- Alison Reno got engaged.
- Bob Morrell had a skiing accident and has a Concussion and broken collar bone.

Lodge

- The calendar for the lodge with this evening's meeting agenda is outdated.
- The voucher sales are going very well. Barbara will be reporting on the sales at this evenings meeting.

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- The lodge bed reservations for each room are displayed two weeks in advance to provide a list of who is staying at the lodge for potential carpooling, ski buddy coordination, ect. The extra work is not a major issue for the reservations manager.
- It is not an option to keep a list of who wants their name to be displayed vs those who do not; it would create a level of complexity for the reservations manager which they are not willing to undertake.
- It was noted that two night reservations always take precedence over one night reservations at the lodge. If someone has a one night reservation, they are made fully aware that at two night reservations would 'bump' the one night reservation.

Ski News

- The Club race will be held at Magic Mountain. Registration forms will be available in the January newsletter and online. The award medal inventory will be increased.
- Monday Night Racing has started. There were 185 racers in total.
- On Snow is March 1 through 3rd. Waivers need to be turned in.
- There are still condo's available for the Eastern Drive trip. The trip has been opened to other clubs. All MTL members sign a waiver in their application to the club. The money for the trip is passing through the club and there was a discussion regarding non club members signing a waiver. **Motion to request that non members and al prospective members must sign a waiver** by ML, seconded by AC.

Wednesday Night Programs

- January 9th – there will be an Aspen Overview at this evenings meeting.
- January 16th – Nutrition Program
- January 23rd – Presentation about Cindy, the blind skier
- January 30th – Bruce requested to fund a surprise Party for Annie for her birthday, which is on the 30th. The board discussed it and agreed that if Bruce wanted to fund a party, that would be fine. Any else who wished to organize/fund a similar event was free to do so; there was not an issue/item which needed to be voted on for approval.
- February 13th – Valentines Dance
- April 17th is Lip Sync

Old Business

- Kathy Culhane will submit a newsletter article on the newsletter transition. The newsletter is not in the bylaws and does therefore not require a vote. A mailed copy will continue to be supported for those who do not have e-mail as well as to those who request to continue to receive a mailed newsletter.
- The January Newsletter will include an announcement on the proposed By-law Lifetime Membership Committee changes for a January 30th Membership vote.
- The bed roster system has gone through a two week trial and is going well. Refer to the Lodge section for futher details.

New Business

- There will be committee formed for the Lodge Lease. Penny, Moe and Jonathan are on the committee. There will be discussions of a potential equity position of the club in the lodge.
- Officer elections will be held in April.
- There is an issue of excessive noise in the women's room at the lodge. There are several women who do not want to go up when the machine is present and disruptive to sleep. There was

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discussion to restrict this noise making situation to the snoring room, which is reserved for loud sleepers. No action was taken.

Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:59 by EA, seconded by KC.

Regular Meeting Treasurer Approvals

January 9th

- Motion for membership to approve \$1170 for the purchase of 30 Okemo Tickets by Penny Trick, seconded by Bob Denison
- \$16,105 for Jay Peak March Trip. Motion to approve by Karen Grossman, seconded by Scott Farrar.
- Motion to approve \$4500 for the purchase of Okemo Tickets by Stan Wasel, seconded by Barbara Wysocki. (note, this replaces the first approval request as those tickets/money are included in this larger request.)

January 16th

- \$ 5,005 for the Jay Peak March trip. Motion to approve by Lisa Durland, seconded by Sharon Houck.
- \$350 refund to Pat Wren for Jay Peak Ski Trip Cancellation. Motion to approve by Barbara Wysocki, seconded by Aletta Chamberlain

January 23rd

- \$867.26 for the wine tasting event at the Lodge requested by Stacey Riley. Motion to approve by Kay Leatherman, seconded by Barbara Wysocki.

January 30th

- No Requested approvals
- Motion to approve the By-law change for Article X Committee and add section 4 and Article III to add section 3C concerning Lifetime Membership by Kay Leatherman Leatherman, seconded by Penny Trick. Approved by all membership.