

RMSKC STEERING COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING OCTOBER 18, 2016
SUE HUGHES' HOUSE, LONGMONT, CO

The meeting was called to order. The following members were present: President Clark Strickland, Paddling Coordinator Jud Hurd, Membership Coordinator Marlene Pakish, Publications Editor Sue Hughes, Instruction and Safety Coordinator Brian Hunter, Treasurer Dave Hustvedt, Onshore Coordinator Tim Fletcher, and Secretary George Ottenhoff.

Minutes: The minutes of the April 3, 2016 meeting were previously approved by email, and will be posted on the Club website.

President's Report: Clark reported that all present members of the EC whose terms are expiring (Clark - President, Dave - Treasurer, Marlene - Membership Coordinator) are willing to continue in those positions, and they were nominated for those positions. The Committee discussed the need to involve more members in the SC. The positions to be filled will be announced in the Newsletter, and additional nominations will be accepted. SC members will also talk to other club members to ask them to assist in SC work.

Clark said that he has obtained two vinyl RMSKC banners discussed at the last meeting that can be displayed at events or other club activities. Anyone can contact Clark to use the banners. He also mentioned that we still have club business cards and vinyl stickers that are available to members at no charge to use to publicize RMSKC.

Clark said that he has revised the descriptions of officers' duties and roles as previously discussed. Jud moved that the revisions be approved; the motion was seconded by George and approved.

Financial report: Treasurer Dave Hustvedt reported that the current checking account balance is \$4,444.56. He said that he will prepare a proposed budget to plan the expenditure of club funds.

Instruction and Safety: Brian reported that he will contact two ACA Instructor Trainers in Laramie, WY to inquire about offering instructor training in our area next spring. Sue will work with him in doing this.

Membership Coordinator: Marlene presented the current Membership roster showing 3 new members, and a total of 75 members. She noted that several former members have not renewed their memberships. She also reported that our ACA dues will remain the same until we have 100 members.

Paddle Coordinator: Jud presented Paddle Summaries that he prepared for the 2015 and 2016 club paddling events. The Summaries show that 44 different members participated in 20 events in 2015, and that 47 different members participated in 18 events in 2016. The Summaries also show that the top 10 participants in both years were essentially the same. Clark will write a letter to members who have participated very little to encourage their greater participation, and to inquire whether we can offer activities that will be more attractive to them.

Jud led a discussion of possible paddling trips for 2017. See attached list "2017 Paddles". This led to a discussion of the fairest way of handling sign-up for paddle trips that are limited in the number of participants, a discussion that continued for several days by email. The EC decided that participation will no longer be based on the order of response, since some members may not, or may not be able to, monitor their email as frequently as other members, and therefore may not be able to respond as quickly as other members. Instead trip leaders will now send an email notice to all members announcing the trip, describing any particular paddling skill requirements, and setting a response deadline for those wanting to participate. After the deadline date, the trip leader will draw the names of those responding to establish the initial trip participation list, and the order of those on the waiting list. Any members responding after the deadline will be included on the waiting list in the order received.

Onshore Coordinator: Tim will look for a central location for the Winter Party. The date was set for either January 21 or 28.

PaddleFest was tentatively set for June 24. Tim will contact Chatfield to reserve the location.

The meeting adjourned with thanks to Sue for hosting the meeting.

2017 Paddles

- Barr Lake cleanup - Clark
- Winter party - January 21 or 28 - Tim
- Gross reservoir May 27 - Jud
- Colorado River, Moab to Spanish Bottom - Tim
- Lumpy Waters symposium - October 6-8, <http://www.lumpywaters.com/>
- Rutabaga Sea Kayak symposium - July 14-16, <http://www.paddlers.com/everyonepaddles/page.asp?pgid=1016>
- Barr Lake birding - Greg and Anna *May 13*
- Pueblo - spring - Jud
- Pueblo - January - Clark
- Horsetooth - Jud
- Lone Tree - April 22 - Sue
- Cherry Creek full moon - July 8, 10:06 PM - Sue
- Carter Lake - Jud
- Paddlefest - June 24
- Girl Scout Camp - July 24-28 - Brian and Clark
- Tri for the Cure - August 6
- Horsetooth Open Water Swim - August 13 tentative, + - one week
- Lake Powell - September - Sue
- Everglades 10,000 Islands - Everglades City - March - Jud