

ROCKY MOUNTAIN SEA KAYAK CLUB  
STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING  
FEBRUARY 26, 2023  
VIA ZOOM

Members present: Tim Fletcher, Patrick Reardon, Leslie Taylor, Marsha Dougherty, Sue Hughes, Anne Fiore, George Ottenhoff.

1. No financial report was presented, since Treasurer Dave Hustvedt gave a financial report last week at the Winter Party.
2. A motion to replace all references in the website to “Trip Leader” with “Trip Organizer” was unanimously approved. The intent is to reduce any suggestion that trip organizers have any special training or qualifications for that function.
3. A motion was made to create two categories of membership in RMSKC: one category for those who are members of both ACA and RMSKC, and one for RMSKC members who are not ACA members. The former category are members who may attend all paddling events without paying an additional fee, and without signing an additional waiver. The latter are members who may attend daily events by paying the daily fee required by ACA, and by signing a waiver for each event. The purpose of having the two categories is to attract as members people who will not pay the annual ACA per person membership fee. The motion was defeated by a vote of 5-2.
4. The issue of winter pool practice was discussed. Marsha reported that a pool in Longmont is available for canoe and kayak practice on Sunday afternoons, and that the Rocky Mountain Canoe Club has reserved it for several days. She said that the pool will accommodate 14 kayaks or 12 canoes at a time, and that Canoe Club has invited RMSKC members to reserve any spaces that are not used by Canoe Club members. [Marsha has subsequently updated the information: the pool is available to reserve on Saturday and Sunday afternoons after 12:30 at a cost of \$70 per hour (2 hour minimum), and will accommodate a maximum of 10 kayaks at a time.] No action was taken, but several members said that they will ask to reserve unused slots during the Canoe Club’s pool rental.
5. Leslie gave a presentation on Club Express as a means used by HASK and other organizations for tracking and renewing club membership, and managing trips and other activities. It includes a website, and would replace our present website hosted by Go Daddy. No action was taken.

6. PaddleFest was scheduled for June 17 at Chatfield Reservoir. Patrick will make the reservation.

7. Plans for paddle trips were discussed:

a. Sue and Anne will organize afternoon trips at McIntosh Lake every other Tuesday. RSVP to Sue.

b. We will ask members to organize weekend trips to other lakes/reservoirs in the area on weeks in which there is not a trip at McIntosh Lake.

c. Leslie has reserved kayak-in campsites at Horsetooth Reservoir for overnight trips on May 19-20 and June 2-3. RSVP Leslie. If there is interest, Sue will organize an onshore "Introduction to Kayak Camping" class prior to these Horsetooth overnight trips. RSVP Sue.