TIDEWATER APPALACHIAN TRAIL CLUB BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Monthly Meeting September 7th, 2022

Members Present:

Bruce Davidson, Andy Grayson, Lee Lohman, Kama Mitchell, Kari Pincus, Cecil and Sharon Salyer, Jim Sexton, John Sima

- 1. Welcome and Call to Order: The meeting, with a quorum, was called to order at 7 p.m.
- 2. Proceedings of Previous Meeting: The August Board meeting minutes were approved.
- 3. Finance: Cecil Salyer gave a brief financial report indicating a total balance of \$56,000.
- 4. Membership: Sharon Salyer gave a report indicating that 111 members have lapsed memberships that are overdue more than one year. It was proposed that Jim Sexton will place those members in a "special status" group on Wild Apricot, and will send them ONE additional email reminder in January.
- 5. Proposal: Virginia Pilot reporter Cailyn Burchett wishes to cover the club's next tree planting. Lee proposed inviting her to the 50th Anniversary. This was approved.
- 6. Proposal: Lee Lohman proposed inviting a special club member (Reece) to oversee 'ceremonial cake cutting" at the 50th Anniversary event. Approved.
- 7. Report: Sharon Salyer reported on the 50th menu as planned throughout the summer. Harbor Club 'finalized' cost is estimated at \$12,000.
- 8. Report: Jim Sexton gave an extensive report on the 395 page commemorative book celebrating the club's history. 33 extra copies will be reserved for Hampton Roads Libraries. The total cost of the book order is \$2,219.76; however, the \$3600 in grant money will more than cover the cost.
- 9. Proposal: Per Jim Sexton, the normal cost is \$36 per book; however, as an incentive, the first 70 books purchased will be priced at \$20 apiece, thanks to the grant-subsidized cost. Additionally, USB drives will be available at the event for \$5 apiece. This was approved.
- 10. Report: John Sima reported that 16 people attended Lopperfest, along with a successful maintenance trip. Also, the next Trail Walk-Thru is slated for Sept. 16-18, with a simple menu in the works.
- 11. Proposal: Jim Sexton proposed a tri-club event with a free weekend of camping at Sherando,

non-maintenance, sometime in May. This was approved.

- 12. Report: Lee Lohman indicated that the cabin survey needs tweaking. The Board agreed.
- 13. Reported/Discussed:
 - -Lee Lohman said the Board is actively looking to fill board vacancies. Please send Lee emails with any ideas you may have.
 - –Andy Grayson reported a successful response to the tightening of the relationship between TATC and TG (Tuesday Group), and that the separate Google calendars of activities are now linked together
 - -Sharon Salyer reported that December 10 is the date for Day In The Park, in VB -Lee
 Lohman reported success with the initial phase of the online merchandise catalog
- -Bruce Davidson proposed a 'how to' (not maintenance) camping session; the proposal will be fleshed out and submitted by Bruce.
- 14. The President adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m.