## TIDEWATER APPALACHIAN TRAIL CLUB BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Monthly Meeting October 4, 2023

## **Members Present:**

Bill Bunch, John Barnes, Sandra Canepa, Bruce Davidson, Andy Grayson, Lee Lohman, Kama Mitchell, Dave Plum, Jim Newman, Jim Sexton, John Sima, Lelia Vann

## **Members Absent:**

Rosanne Cary, Brittany Collins, Kevin Dubois, Greg Hodges, Ned Kuhns, Cecil Salyer, Sharon Salyer, Don Williams

**Others Present:** Bob Adkisson, Steve Clayton, Stephanie Clayton, Ellis Malabad, Sherri McQueen, Phyllis Neumann, Greg Reck, Peg Seriani, Rich Seriani

- 1. Welcome and Call to Order: The meeting, with a quorum, was called to order by President Lohman at 7:00 p.m.
- 2. Proceedings of Previous Meeting: The September 2023 Board meeting minutes were accepted without amendment.
- **3.** Finance: Cecil Salyer provided the Treasurer's report. Current balance is \$38,360.72.
- **4. Membership:** Deferred until November 2023.
- 5. Reported/Discussed:
  - Open Action Items provided. Lelia Vann
  - Cabin operations Report provided. Greg Hodges
  - September Walk-Through and October Fall Maintenance reported. John Sima
  - October Fall Maintenance Trip dinner budget and plans provided. Lee Lohman
  - Nominating Committee Report: Michelle Cobb will chair. Jim Newman, John Barnes, Greg Reck, Bruce Davidson, Rich & Peg Serian volunteered to be on committee. Lee Lohman
  - Required volunteer time reports for hours worked between 10/1/2022 through 9/30/2023 by each Board member are due by October 6, 2023. Lee will submit the total TATC hours worked to ATC, NPS, and USFS by mid-October. - Lee Lohman
  - Lambert's Point Initiative: TATC will submit a letter of support. Adding a TATC member to be a liaison board member will be discussed at November Board meeting. Lee Lohman
- 6. Proposal: Lee Lohman proposed to amend the Board's May 3, 2023, decision about TATC Health and Safety authority and procedures. Several other proposals were offered. The proposal approved resulted in adopting the following policy: TATC events will be conducted with the health and safety of the participants as the uppermost consideration recognizing that many club activities involve hazardous, and sometimes very hazardous, activities and working conditions. In all cases, the health and safety requirements of the relevant governmental bodies will be followed. In addition, the Board of Directors will define event and activity "best practices" that event leaders and participants must follow. These include the wearing of PFDs on all paddle events and bike helmets on all biking events.
- **7. Proposal:** Lee Lohman proposed an agenda for the October 11, 2023, General Membership Meeting (GMM). The proposal was approved without amendment.

## **Reported Later:**

- October 2023 GMM had 55 people in attendance.
- Amendments to TATC By-Laws unanimously accepted by members present at the October 2023 GMM.

**Adjournment:** President Lohman adjourned the meeting at 8:55 p.m.