

**TIDEWATER APPALACHIAN TRAIL CLUB
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Monthly Meeting

July 3, 2019

Members Present: Bob Adkisson, Bill Bunch, Douglas Cary, Rosanne Cary, Mark Ferguson, Bob Giffin, Patrick Hayes, Ned Kuhns, Ellis Malabad, Jim Moir, Phyllis Neumann, Steve Rosenthal, Sharon Salyer

Members Absent: Bruce Julian, Jim Newman, Juliet Stephenson, Tony Phelps, J.P. Richards, Jim Sexton, Mark Van Zandt

1. Welcome and Call to Order

The President determined the presence of a quorum and called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Proceedings of Previous Meeting

ON A MOTION BY NED KUHNS, SECONDED BY PHYLLIS NEUMANN, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPROVED THE MINUTES OF THE JUNE 5, 2019 MEETING.

3. Finance Report

Douglas Cary reported that he had transferred the funds from the Life Membership account into a nine-month CD with a 1.88% yield. After nine months, the certificate would automatically renew at six month intervals unless action was taken otherwise. He also noted that the main expenditure logged in June was for the cost of the maintenance dinner.

4. Trails Report

Patrick Hayes reported he has about a dozen volunteers for the upcoming Lopper Fest at Sherando. He noted there are three blowdowns on our section of trail that can wait for the fall maintenance for removal. There is a broken sign at Reid's Gap; he will research to see which agency to contact for replacement.

5. ATC Report

Nothing to report at this time.

6. Hikemaster Report

Phyllis Neumann reported that the Meetup site needed updating and requested assistance. Ms. Cary will check with Mike Wilson. Counselor Ellis Malabad reiterated his commitment to developing a more robust activity schedule and noted the activities added to the calendar for the upcoming month. He requested board members to lead by example by scheduling an activity.

7. **President's Report**

Ms. Cary reported that she appointed Lee Lohman to be the new Education Committee Chair and asked for a motion to approve. Upon motion by Mark Ferguson, seconded by Phyllis Neumann, the members voted to approve the appointment. Ms. Cary also covered the following points in her report:

- Events taking place in the Blue Ridge area during the next couple of months. Jim Moir volunteered to be the TATC POC for Hoopla, being held in September.
- A request to the president of the HR Digital Shutterbug club regarding the September photo contest.
- Holiday Party - planning needs to start now. Sharon Salyer volunteered to be the co-coordinator. After some discussion, it was agreed to see if the Royster church was available again.
- Request for Citizen Scientists - information will be forwarded to webmaster for publication.
- Guidelines for withdrawal of funds from the Life Membership account according to the TATC Bylaws.
- Reminder: Program chair still needed, as well as Outreach and Timekeeper.
- July program - Reese Lukei.

8. **Chair's Reports**

Cabin Committee. Bob Adkisson reported that is difficult to get information from Dave Whitmore about when and how they will mark the cabin property boundaries. Bob also noted the prevalence of ticks. Rentals of the cabin have been extensive, about half of the nights during the four months of March through June. Bob did work to fix a small leak by the back chimney. We have taken in \$750 in cabin rental so far this year, a figure which did not correspond to the monthly treasurer's report. Mr. Cary will research.

Land Management. Bob Giffin reported on plans to walk the boundary and check on the Campbell property.

Membership. Sharon Salyer reported membership total is 329. She noted that Kama Mitchell, a committee member, would be picking up the TATC mail at the post office box. Patrick Hayes suggested providing a TATC sticker to new members.

Newsletter/Notices/Webmaster. Ms. Cary reported for Jim Sexton: he needs board members to review publicity materials as previously requested.

9. **Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:09 p.m.