

**TIDEWATER APPALACHIAN TRAIL CLUB  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**Monthly Meeting**

**June 5, 2019**

**Members Present:** Bill Bunch, Douglas Cary, Rosanne Cary, Mark Ferguson, Bob Giffin, Amanda Hartwig, Bruce Julian, Phyllis Neumann, J.P. Richard, Steve Rosenthal, Sharon Salyer, Mark VanZandt

**Member Absent:** Bob Adkisson, Patrick Hayes, Ned Kuhns, Jim Newman, Tony Phelps, Jim Sexton, Juliet Stephenson

**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. Ms. Cary introduced her appointee as the new membership committee chair, Sharon Salyer. Upon motion by Mark Ferguson, seconded by Bob Giffin, the board voted to approve the appointment.

**2. Proceedings of Previous Meeting**

On a motion by Phyllis Neumann, seconded by Douglas Cary, the board of directors approved the minutes of the May 1, 2019 meeting.

**3. Finance Report**

Douglas Cary provided an update on his efforts to determine the best place to invest the Life Membership funds. Following up on a previous motion adopted at the May Board meeting, the Board unanimously voted to authorize the Treasurer to allow Mr. Cary to move the funds at his discretion.

**4. Trails Report**

Jim Newman reported on the valuable reports he has received recently about trail conditions, the problem of rapid growth of high grass about one mile down from the summit of Three Ridges on both sides. He also saluted the contributions of Paul Dickens, Pete Burch, and the new ridgerunner, Jim Baum.

**5. ATC Report**

No report was available at this time.

**6. Hikemaster Report**

Phyllis Neumann questioned the continued distribution of paper activity schedules at membership meetings. After a discussion, it was agreed to poll the membership at the next meeting to determine their preferences, and to display the activity schedule on the projection screen.

**7. President's Report**

Ms. Cary provided an update to the process in renewing the cabin insurance policy. Mal Higgins, member and attorney, is handling the renewal and will ensure that the new policy continues to provide replacement cost coverage and roof coverage. She reported that the invoice for the property tax has not yet been received. She also noted that August 3 is National Summit Day, and requested volunteers to lead a hike to allow the club to tie into the publicity possibilities offered through Backpacker magazine.

**8. Chair's Reports**

Land Management. Bob Giffin will travel to the cabin property at some point in the future to check on the the boundary markings.

Local Trails. J. P. Richard reported that a new mountain bike trail will probably be built in First Landing State Park during the coming year. Otherwise, there has been little hiking trail maintenance work needed from TATC members in FLSP. There was discussion about possible work at other locations in the Hampton Roads area.

Membership. Membership sits at 326. Amanda will continue to work with Sharon and Kama Mitchell (committee member) during the transition.

Merchandise. Mark Van Zandt brought in a selection of the new logo ball caps.

Newsletter/Notices/Webmaster. Ms. Cary provided a report from Jim Sexton. He requests board members to review the publicity materials sent our previously. He noted that he would be delivering tabling supplies for the Trail Magic event near Reids Gap.

Outreach. Ms. Cary reported that Marty Vines is stepping down as chair. She reminded the members that several board positions are vacant and she requested assistance in finding candidates.

Programs. Ms. Cary noted that the June program will be given by Ned Kuhns.

Tool Boss. Nothing to report at this time.

**9. Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:44 p.m.