

Minutes
Indianapolis Hiking Club Board Meeting
Date: January 16, 2020

President Marti Burton called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm at 2950 N. High School Road.

Present: John Bacone, Marti Burton, Harold Crooks, Bob Hackenberg, Mike Khalil, Pat Lawler, Mary Barbara Miller, Kae Ramey, Phil Smith, Konnie Schlechte, Susan Sievers, Barb Strite, Kathy Whalen, Ed Wright and Karen Zimmerman

Minutes: The corrected minutes of the December 19, 2019 meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Kathy Whalen reported a balance and net worth of \$19,435.56 as of January 16, 2020. The treasurer's report was approved.

Bills submitted for payment and approved by the Board were:

<u>Payee</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Reason</u>
Barb Strite	\$78.59	Badges (13)
Pat Lawler	\$6.68	Postage - 25 yr award

Members

New members are Carol Armbruster, Marty Armbruster and Wanda Hague.

Current membership is 504 compared to 514 last year.

Committee Reports

Membership

Barb Strite passed out mileage badges and patches to various leaders for distribution to the recipients.

Conservation

John Bacone will continue efforts to gather information on legislation affecting state forests. Details will be added to the next hike schedule.

Publicity

Susan Sievers presented a bid for 5X5 inch IHC club decals (interior window placement.) The approximate cost is \$400 and will be covered with available funds in publicity and miscellaneous. Phil Smith entered a motion to purchase the decals with a second from Mike

Khalil. The purchase was approved. Susan will place the order. The decals will be given to new members and will be available for purchase to existing members for \$1.

Pathfinder and Webmaster

The February-March hike schedule was approved.

Publications

Hike schedule, club roster and Trailblazer will be mailed the last week of January.

Trailblazer includes information for the 2019 calendar year.

Electronic Media

We have 1799 Facebook likes and 1829 Facebook followers.

Social

Shelter A at Eagle Creek Park has been reserved for the club picnic on Saturday, July 11. The shelter is available at 11 am. Mary Barbara Miller will follow up closer to the event to determine if access is available prior to 11. Club members will identify their affiliation at the gate for free admission if they do not have a pass. Hikes will start at 10 am, lunch at noon.

The date for the winter banquet is Sunday, December 6. A deposit has been paid to Nativity Catholic Church and the caterer has been contacted.

History

Mervyn Cohen will include an announcement in the new hike schedule regarding the project and will invite all club members to participate.

Action Items

1. Phil Smith made the recommendation that the procedure for adding a hike to an existing schedule be amended to remove the restriction that the hike must be outside Marion County, and that the request time of contacting the Pathfinder should be shortened to seven days. The remainder of the process will remain unchanged. Mary Barbara Miller entered a motion for the suggested changes and John Bacone provided the second. The changes were approved. Ed Wright will rewrite the process for publication.

2. A constitution change was suggested for Article V, Section 2 (e) regarding the timing of the audit of the accounts of the Treasurer. Phil Smith made a motion to replace "The accounts of the Treasurer shall be audited in October of each year..." with "The accounts of the Treasurer shall be audited no later than January 31 of the following year..." Mary Barbara Miller provided the second and the date change was approved. The change must be submitted to the general assembly for approval.

Place and Time of Next Meeting: The February board meeting will be an electronic meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 2:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Konnie Schlechte, Secretary