

**Minutes**  
**Indianapolis Hiking Club Board Meeting**  
**Date: 17<sup>th</sup> January 2019**

**Present:** Marti Burton, Mervyn Cohen, Harold Crooks, Mike Khalil, Pat Lawler, Jinkie Limio, Sally Sandman, Phil Smith, Barb Strite, Kathy Whalen, Karen Zimmerman.

President Phil Smith - called the meeting to order at 6:05pm at Westlane Middle school.

**Minutes** The previously distributed corrected minutes of 20<sup>th</sup> December 2018 were approved.

**Treasurers Report:**

Kathy Whalen reported that as of 17<sup>th</sup> January 2019 our balance was \$17,421 and net worth was \$17,421. The report was approved.

For the budget year to date, comparison of our budget with actual income and expenditures shows minimal discrepancy.

The Board approved transfer of \$138.06 from the winter banquet budget to the awards budget for the current year. As the awards expenses are part of the Winter banquet expenses it was suggested that these two line items be combined in next year's budget

**Bills** submitted for payment and approved by the Board were:

<u>Who</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Reason</u>
Barb Strite	\$64.14	Badges
Kathy Whalen	\$22.00	Business Entity Report to maintain not for profit status

**Members**

New members are Steve Brehl and Marcie Walker.

Current membership is 514 compared to 517 last year.

**Committee Reports**

**Membership**

Barb Strite is now able to enter new member data directly into the club database.

**Publicity**

We will be represented at the Boat, Sport and Travel show for two weekends at the end of February. Additional volunteers are still needed.

**Pathfinder**

No report.

**Publications**

The number of schedules that are mailed has fallen to 129. This will save postage.

## **Webmaster**

No report.

## **Electronic Media**

We have 1416 Facebook likes and 163 Twitter followers.

## **Social**

Even though it is 3 days after Thanksgiving, the Board approved holding the Winter banquet on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December. This permits us to use the same venue as prior years. The 8<sup>th</sup> December was not available.

## **Action Items**

1. The Board approved the hiking schedule for February and March.

## **Discussion Items**

### **1. Possible cooperation with the Indianapolis Meet Up hiking group**

The Board decided not to approve any formal collaboration. Any individual is free to join both groups.

### **2. Hike Leader Guidelines document**

The existing guidelines were distributed prior to the meeting. After extensive discussion many changes were suggested. The revised document will be discussed again at the next Board meeting.

### **3. Addition of hikes after publication of the schedule.**

Pat Lawler proposed and Barb Strite seconded a motion.

*The Indianapolis Hiking Club will not permit addition of hikes to the schedule after it has been published*

The Board approved the motion by a vote of 11 to 0.

Leaders worried about possible adverse hiking conditions are encouraged to still place hikes on the schedule before its publication; these hikes can be canceled in the subsequent advent of poor conditions.

### **4. Hoosier Mountain Biking Association.**

This group will be invited to our next Board meeting to present their concerns about not having any trails included in the redevelopment of the West side of Eagle Creek Park.

**Place and Time of Next Meeting:** The next board meeting will be at Westlane Middle School on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2019 at 6:00 pm.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Mervyn Cohen

Secretary