

Minutes
Indianapolis Hiking Club
Date:15th August 2017.

Present: Jean Ballinger, Janet Cohen, Mervyn Cohen, Philip Coons, Harold Crooks, Mike Khalil, Jackie King, Pat Lawler, Narcissio Povinelli, Phil Smith, Barb Strite, Chuck Turner, Kathy Whalen, Ed Wright, Karen Zimmerman.

President Phil Smith called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm at his home.

Minutes The previously distributed corrected minutes of 18th July 2017 were approved.

Financial Report: Kathy Whalen reported that as of 15th August 2017 our balance was \$12,696.02 and net worth was \$12,696.02. The financial report was approved.

Bills submitted for payment and approved by the Board were:

<u>Who</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Reason</u>
Barb Strite	\$29.40	Postage for Member Patches
Sally Sandman	\$204.58	Printing of Aug/Sep Schedule
	\$176.80	Postage for Aug/Sep Schedule
Mervyn Cohen	\$160.29	Social/Picnic Chicken
Mt. Vernon Insurance	\$900.00	Insurance Directors & Officers
Liberty Mutual	Not to exceed \$1,200.00	General Liability & Auto

The Liberty Mutual policy premium has increased by almost 20%. Kathy will explore why and consider changing the insurance company next year.

Committee Reports:

Mileage and Membership

New members approved by the Board are;

Dickinson, Robert, Osenbaugh, Ruthann, Quimby, Jane, Quinn, Maggie,
Scott, Jackie

Reinstated members approved by the Board are;

None

Kathy Whalen reported that current membership is 553 compared to 564 last year.

Publicity

No report

Pathfinder

Early submissions of hikes for October and November will be needed

Publications

No report

Web master

No report

Electronic Media:

We have 1157 Facebook likes and 149 Twitter followers

Social

The Annual General Assembly will be at the Unitarian Church, 615 West 43rd Street on Friday 15th September. Clark Kahlo will speak on “preserving urban green spaces”. Board members are asked to bring a food snack.

Conservation

Chuck Turner reported two maintenance hikes last week. The bridge to the boy scout trail in Eagle Creek park is due to be installed before the end of this month.

Recognition and Awards

No report

Action Items

A. Board Approved Actions.

The Board unanimously approved adding the above document to the hiking club website. It contains all the Board approved policies and actions since October 2008. The document will be updated annually after the club General Assembly in September.

Other Business:

A. The draft slate of Board members to be presented at the September General Assembly was reviewed. It is now complete.

B. Phil Smith read his information statements that will be in the Presidents Letter with the next Hiking Schedule. These dealt with the Annual awards banquet, assignment of miles for non-completed hikes and tracking mileage of minors.

C. The forms for membership dues payment and reservations for the December awards banquet were approved by the Board. These will be mailed to all members.

D. Kathy Whalen reported that the club is in a good financial position and that club membership dues do not need to be increased.

E. Pins left over from the centennial state park hikes program will be given out, free, at the AGM and Awards Banquet.

F. Need for a permanent address for the Hiking Club –
Ed Wright reported that this is not needed

G. Future meeting locations. Jackie King suggested that from October, Board meetings be held at the Haughville Public Library, 2121 W Michigan St, Indianapolis, IN 46222. It was agreed to try this location for three months

New Business:

None

Place and Time of Next Meeting: The next board meeting will be at 6:00 PM Tuesday, September 19, 2017. There will be dinner after the meeting. The Smith's will provide the main dish; Board members are asked to bring other dishes to share.
Katy and Phil Smith's address is 6427 Stonecreek DR. Indianapolis, IN 46268

The meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.

Mervyn Cohen Secretary