Minutes
Indianapolis Hiking Club Board Meeting
Date: July 17, 2025

President Debbie Bucholz called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm.

Present: Jean Ballinger, Debbie Bucholz, Marti Burton, Mervyn Cohen, Marian Fahy, Annie Falvey, Cathy Fischer, Martha Rivera June, Pat Lawler, Karen LeClerc, Delaram Moghaddam, Kae Ramey, Terry Roesch, Konnie Schlechte, and Ed Wright.

Minutes: The revised minutes of the June 19, 2025 board meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Marian Fahy reported a balance and net worth of $24,973.89 as of June 30, 2025. She also provided the Third Quarter FY 2024/25 Budget to Actuals report. Of the $17,980.00 budgeted as income, $17,392.95 has been collected. Marian noted the decline in membership income this year. Of the $17,980.00 budgeted for expenses, $10,996.39 has been spent. Marian anticipates receiving a bill for insurance (approx. $3000) next month. The treasurer's reports were approved.

In addition, Debbie Bucholz stated that the internal review of the third quarter's financials, conducted by Debbie, Marian and Cathy Fischer, found no exceptions.

Bills submitted for payment and approved by the Board:

Payee	Amount	Reason
Martha Burton	$111.28	Badges
Martha Burton	$1.07	Postage
Marian Fahy	$18.00	Admin – Shredding Fee
Annie Falvey	**up to $300.00	Picnic Expenses

**Marian requested authorization to provide reimbursement to Annie as soon as receipts are submitted for food and other expenses for the club picnic.

Members
New member – Michael Taylor
Current membership is 530 compared to 554 last year.

Committee Reports:

Pathfinder

Ed Wright and Jean Ballinger submitted the August/September hiking schedule. Approval is detailed in Discussion Items below.

Webmaster

Debbie Bucholz reported the next technology meeting is scheduled July 24, with the priority of securing mileage entry.

Electronic Media

Per Phil Coons, we have 4184 Facebook followers

Publicity

Delaram Moghaddam reported we have 1519 Instagram followers

Social

Annie Falvey will send a final reminder email to the membership regarding the July 26th picnic. Board members helping with set up will arrive at 9 am. Mervyn Cohen offered to provide lemonade, as he and Janet have done in the past.

Debbie Bucholz has two tickets remaining for the Indians baseball game July 27.

Pat Lawler stated that Unitarian Universalist Church requires a $100 deposit for use of their facility for the General Assembly September 4. Pat offered to provide her personal check (as she has in the past) which will be returned to her by the church following the event.

Historian

Mervyn Cohen brought a copy of IHC member Edeltraud Evans' book "A Letter to My Daughters," which details the first 10 years of her life as her family was evacuated from their home and the struggle to survive as refugees at the end of WWII. The book was read and discussed at a May book club hike.

VP/Directors

Karen LeClerc announced she will transition from Colored Threads to Shirt Tales for all club merchandise. The recent Shirt Tales shirt order has been very well received by club members. Karen was impressed with both the favorable price ($15 per shirt) and the quick turnaround time (6 days.) Shirt Tales will be providing Karen with a link that after review by the board, will be available to all club members. The link will allow members to order multiple items directly from the vendor.

Discussion Items:

As the board worked through the constitution and bylaws changes, it was noted there were discrepancies in draft versions where some members were seeing strikethroughs that did not appear on the original document. The final version will be included as an addendum to the August/September schedule. Following discussion, Jean Ballinger made a motion to approve the schedule with the understanding that the addendum would match the original document from Debbie Bucholz. Cathy Fischer provided the second and the board voted unanimous approval.

Date and Time of Next Meeting: The next board meeting will be at 1 pm, Thursday, August 21, 2025, John Knox Presbyterian Church, 3000 N. High School Rd, Indianapolis, IN 46224.

The meeting adjourned at 1:54 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Konnie Schlechte, Secretary