

Capitol Volkssport Club Membership Meeting Minutes
13 July 2023
Olympia Lacey Church of God
5005 Lacey Boulevard SE
President Karen Younkens Presiding

1. Coffee and snacks were enjoyed by the members. Perki and Peter Sweet provided the treats, in addition to organizing the meeting place, for which they were thanked.
2. Sheila Morrison is still accepting dues for membership renewal.
3. The minutes of the June meeting were approved as posted.
4. The June Treasurer's Report was approved as sent to members.
5. Diane Evans gave a report on the June AVA meeting held online. AVA has joined IVV Americas, which is now IVV Americas and Oceana, to include Australia and New Zealand. Bob Morrison and Tim Minor are now board VPs of that organization. The next IVV Olympiad will be held in Finland. Negotiations are underway with a travel company to put together a travel package. The AVA Board has been having trouble recruiting Board Members at Large, who are usually not Volkssporters, but who have some expertise such as fund-raising. Recommendations are welcomed. A new committee on club charges is meeting this summer and will make recommendations about fees the clubs give to the national organization. The AVA audit was released with a clean opinion. AVA had a slight net loss for the year, largely due to the Texas Olympiad, but payments from partners are still coming in. The AVA President and CEO reported that AVA participation had rebounded well from COVID, thanks to the clubs. AVA is looking for an Americapiad in 2028 and an Oceanapiad in 2026 in coordination with the IML in Canberra, Australia. All nominated board officials were elected. Diane has an electronic copy of the reports discussed in the meeting that can be requested by e-mail.
6. The President reminded members that the Vance Creek Railriders event is scheduled for Saturday, June 22 at 2PM. Registrations are closed, but you can call 541-519-4200 to check on availability.
7. CVC's 40th Anniversary Potluck picnic will be held August 10 at the Millersylvania Park shelter #3. 10K walk registration will be at 3:15, leaving at 3:30. 5K walk registration will be at 4:15, leaving at 4:30. The potluck will be held at 6PM. Please bring something to share. The club will provide chicken, anniversary cake, water, plates and utensils.
8. Wild and Woodsy in Washington is locked in for 2024, to be held April 25-28.

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9. David Black gave a report about the new 5K Sunday afternoon walks. The initial walks on June 25th and July 9 attracted about 15 participants each. There were no non-members at the first walk, but there were some members who were not regular walkers. The second walk attracted several non-members. The next walk is August 13 at Squaxin Park at 2:00 PM. A Tumwater Falls walk is likely for September. The need to have a regular member as a designated sweeper for each walk was discussed.

10. The deadline for the August/September newsletter is July 23rd.

11. Carol Froelich gave an update about the upcoming August 5 Anderson Island walks. Carol recommended getting your car in line at the ferry at least 45 minutes ahead of sailing time. Ferry tickets can be purchased on-line, but you must check in for the walk at the ferry terminal. There is very little public parking available in Steilacoom. There is free parking available on the island. You must drive to the start point for the 11K.

12. Pam Greig-Davis would like to reschedule the 5-T train trip to Portland for next fall. The club voted in favor of the trip. The 2024 Holiday Walk has been scheduled for December 14. Where the Salmon Run walk was approved for next fall, if it can be scheduled during the salmon run.

13. Ginny Miller is still taking suggestions for people she can send cards to.

14. Bonny Tucker reported on the proposed August 13-14th 2024 beach trip to Ocean Shores. Preliminary planning calls for driving down on Tuesday the 13th, doing a walk in Aberdeen, and then driving to Ocean Shores for another walk. Wednesday attendees will walk Seabrook and Moclips, and then return on Thursday via Hoquiam. A meal will be scheduled when the number of attendees is known. Bonny recommended making hotel reservations soon.

15. The Zodiac Challenge closes at the end of July. Get your entries to Pam Greig-Davis. The winners will be announced at the club picnic.

16. Tom Malone reported that free National Parks passes were available to veterans at the Nisqually Wildlife Refuge.

17. Various members reported on walks that they have taken.

18. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



David R. Black, Secretary CVC