Capitol Volkssport Club Board Meeting

Tuesday March 10, 2015

Izzy's Classic Buffet - Olympia, WA

The meeting was called to order by our co-vice presidents Julie Heath and Holly Spaulding.

Karen Younkins has asked for help with membership duties in March and April as she will be in Australia. Susan Berry volunteered to be the temporary membership chairman.

February minutes were not available for approval. Peter Sweet, webmaster requested the minutes be sent to him each month to be included on the website.

Sheila Morrison gave the highlights of the financial report.

New business / announcements:

- 1. We received a thank you letter from the AVA Executive Director for our \$500 donation.
- We want to thank Peter Sweet for adding the Seabreeze Photo Gallery to the CVC website.
 Peter will be happy to give you credit for your photos if you notify him. In the future please send photos to the webmaster email address on the contact us page (Olysweetpea) of the website.
- 3. We want to thank Bob Morrison & John Warhol for the 2015 South Puget Sound Volkssport Trail Ride Tuesdays Schedule (for bikes). Peter has asked that it be forwarded to him to include on our website (possibly under a new tab for bike rides).
- 4. The Bloomsday Walk is Sunday, May 3 in Spokane. Email Allan Heritage to register at agheritage@hotmail.com.
- 5. There will be a 3 day walking event in Dufur, Oregon on August 7 9 which will include the Dufur Threshing Bee. In was suggested that we might consider making this a birthplace "event" for our member Val Lance.
- 6. Bob and Sheila Morrison will give a presentation on their recent trip to Portugal at the April meeting.

Old Business:

- 1. The AVA Nat'l Convention is June 13 21, 2015 in Salem, Oregon.
 - a. Please register online. You can find a link on our website.
 - b. They are still asking for volunteers at the hotel and for each walk event. Sign up to help at the convention website under the volunteer tab.

- c. We voted at the last meeting to give \$100 for a basket to be included in the silent auction held at the convention. The board will ask Pat Harmon if she is willing to put the basket together. It was also suggested that a box big enough for the basket be provided so the winner could mail it home.
- d. Bonnie Tucker has volunteered to be a teller from our region. She will collect and tally ballots.
- e. Our President, Liz Morrison will be the CVC Convention delegate.
- f. Nancy Wittenberg asked for suggestions for favorite walks in our immediate area. A tour group that will attend the AVA Convention plans to walk in the state capital area. Our suggestions were the downtown Olympia (capitol bldg.) walk, Priest Point Park and The Evergreen State College walk. Nancy will forward walk instructions for these walks to the tour group leader.
- 2. The CVC train trip to Portland will be this Thursday, March 12. We will leave the Olympia-Lacey station at 8:50 am on the Amtrak Cascades #501 and return from the Portland station at 6:50 pm on the #508. Sheila Morrison will print up directions for the 4 T's walk for everyone.
- 3. Susan Berry discussed the February SVA meeting and reiterated the formation of the new Pathfinder Club which will hold one guided walk a year to meet the definition of a club. If you subscribe to the Pathfinder publication you are a member of the club.
- 4. We have been asked to join the IVV Americas which is one division of an international Volkssport organization (others include IVV Asia & IVV Europe). There was discussion as to what this would entail. We would be part of the Americas group which so far includes Canada and Brazil. This is not to be another layer in our existing structure. It would cost our club \$100 a year to join. It would give us opportunities to walk in other countries and take part in special events. Nancy Wittenberg and Bob Morrison recommend that we join. In the future we are free to review our membership. The club must vote on this by May 1 and notify IVV.
- 5. There was further discussion of the Pathway to Excellence Program. We will ask the club for a vote at the next meeting. The board has recommended that we vote to shelve the program at the present time.
- 6. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15.