

Capitol Volkssport Club Board Meeting

Tuesday May 12, 2015

Izzy's Classic Buffet - Olympia, WA

The meeting was called to order by President Liz Morrison. The previous month's minutes were approved as written. Liz reported that the Tator Tour will be in Olympia on June 12. If you are interested in joining this group for the capitol walk arrive early at Bayview and be ready to start at 9:30. They will also be walking in Aberdeen at 2pm at the Guesthouse Inn and Suites. Liz also announced that Bill & Holly Spaulding will be giving a slide presentation of their recent cross country trips at the June meeting.

Sheila Morrison, Treasurer let us know that we are running a healthy balance. The treasurer's report can be viewed online.

Susan Berry shared ESVA announcements. The Tour de Pierce will be June 28th. This will include bike rides. Check online. There will be an upcoming meeting in Leavenworth with a group working on helping clubs develop Volkssporting events in Eastern Washington. They hope to raise attendance levels in Eastern Washington. A reminder that our club needs to be working on sanctioning walks for 2016 which need to be submitted by August 31.

Bob Morrison gave a convention update with a reminder that they will be voting on the bylaws. Each club and each officer gets 1 vote. Pre-registration closes May 18. It is recommended that silent auction items be registered online. We will be donating a Fitbit. The following is an explanation of amendments being voted on:

1. They will consider allowing a voice vote rather than a ballot when only 1 candidate is running for a given office.
2. It will be decided whether regional director can be elected at a meeting or by a mail in ballot.
3. There has been discussion as to reducing the number of regions. Some feel that would give too much territory for a director to cover. If this was to happen there would possible be a need for an deputy regional director.
4. They are hoping to be able to allow an email to be a legal document rather than just one delivered by USPS.
5. Bob recommended that our club vote NO to changing from a majority vote to a 2/3 vote in order to pass. This is not approved by the NEC.
6. They will be voting on whether or not to allow us to affiliate with other organizations such as the YMCA.

New business:

1. Sheila Morrison suggested that new members who pay their dues after January 1 of the current fiscal year will be given paid membership through June 30 of the next fiscal year. This applies to new members only. A motion was made and seconded. The motion passed.
2. Sheila Morrison suggested that long time members Harry Saukants, Val Lance and Susan Berry be granted life membership in the CVC. A motion was made and seconded. The motion passed

3. Bob Morrison as nominating committee chairman announced that all current officers have agreed to continue for a second year.
4. Bob Morrison discussed changing our name to American Walking Federation as many people don't recognize the meaning of Volkssport. National suggested that as an example our club could be known as the Capitol Volkssport Club DBA South Sound Walking Club or possibly Olympia Walking Club.
5. Liz Morrison suggested that we write succession of officers into our bylaws. There was discussion as to whether anyone would consider taking a position under these circumstances.
6. Holly Spaulding suggested that when we have sign up sheets for volunteer positions at events that we make them available not only at meeting but also at our weekly walks. Or possible we could send out emails to all members in hopes of getting more people interested in taking part.
7. It was suggested that we make an effort to talk up our club to people we meet while we are walking as a group. We also may want to encourage a second group of slower walkers. We would have to make sure that an experienced walker stays with this group or any group of new walkers.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:13.