

PHC Steering Committee Minutes - Meeting of 12-5-16

Following are the minutes of the 12-5-16 meeting of the Prescott Hiking Club Steering committee (aka SC or the Committee). The meeting took place at the Wildflower Bread Co., and the following members were in attendance:

Ellen Arkin, Cindy Cassady, Lisa Garnes, Louis Mackall, Jim Perry, Karen Wechsung, Jim Smith and Vicki Reber

The meeting began at 9:00 pm and adjourned at 10:00 pm.

Previous Meeting Minutes: The minutes of the 11-21-16 meeting were approved without changes.

Items Completed:

A. New Steering Committee Members Introduced: The new Steering Committee volunteers who will serve from January 2017 through December 2018, Jim Smith and Vicki Reber, were introduced to the rest of the SC members. Joann Polayes, the third new volunteer, was unable to attend.

B. Steering Committee Operating Guidelines: It was agreed that the SC Operating Guidelines, previously approved, should be posted to the web site.

C. Publicity Volunteer and Club Liaison: Jim Perry reported that the club received no response to the email asking for a Publicity Volunteer or Club Liaison. Jim clarified the roles to the committee, and Vicki Reber volunteered to handle both positions.

D. PHC 2017 Budget: Karen Wechsung provided the committee with the 2015 and 2016 club expenditures as background for planning a 2017 budget. Some discussion ensued, particularly regarding the cost of printing the club brochures. Vicki Reber agreed to research options and present the information at the next meeting. Jim Perry and Karen Wechsung agreed to put together a proposed 2017 budget for consideration at the next meeting.

E. Proposed Changes to the Slow Hiking Group: In response to an email from a club member, several changes to the Slow Hiking Group were discussed. First, it was suggested that the hike location days be altered yearly so that those who work and can only hike on Saturdays, would have a different place to hike from year to year. Jim Smith, as a leader of the Slow hiking group, suggested we send an email to the club asking for input regarding alternating the Tuesday and Saturday hike locations (Lynx Lake and Thumb Butte) every other year. It was also requested in the club member's email that when the Slow hike leaders split a large group into two groups, that further description of the two choices be clarified (length, pace, time) without using the word "slow", so people could more accurately choose the appropriate hike. Jim felt this was already being done, and no further changes were necessary. Lisa agreed to send an email to the club regarding the proposed day and location changes.

F. New Method for Posting Photos to the Web Site: Jim Perry reported that the new process for posting photos is now available but that no one, so far, has posted any new photos.

G. New SC Chairman: It was agreed that a new chairman for the Steering Committee will be selected at the first meeting in January, 2017.

H. **Next Meeting:** The next Steering Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 23, 9:00 am at Ellen Arkin's home.

I. Agenda Items for the Next Meeting: The agenda items for the next meeting were set as follows:

- Options for printing PHC brochures •
- 2017 Budget proposal •
- Slow Hiking Group yearly hike location day change
- Selecting a new SC chairman

Important Dates:

January 1 - Souper Bowl

January 23 - Steering Committee Meeting

Your Steering Committee: Ellen Arkin, Cindy Cassady, Lisa Garnes, Louis Mackall, Jim Perry and Karen Wechsung