

**SCOV Hiking Club**  
**Board of Meeting Directors Meeting**  
**December 6, 2023**

Meeting called to order by President Jake O'Neill at 3:34

**Directors Present:** President Jake O'Neill, Treasurer Claude Janus, Secretary Jane Budden, and Chief Guide Tom Meyer.

**Members Present:** Webmaster Richard Babin, Nominating Committee Susan Sedlacek, Membership Chair Jim Locnikar, Meg Gerken, Byron Wolffing, Jorgy Jorgenson, Launie Jorgenson, Bob Eschrich, and Tony Masterjohn.

1. **Approval of Minutes from the October 25, 2023 meeting:** Tom made a motion to approve the October 25, 2023 minutes. Claude seconded the motion. Minutes were approved.
2. **Treasurer's Report:** See attached report submitted by Claude Janus. Claude reported that income and expenses remain stable. The Club is \$500 ahead of last year at this time. The Fall Picnic sandwiches were \$444.
3. **Chief Guide update:** See attached report submitted by Tom Meyer. Jorgy and Launie Jorgenson completed a successful first hike yesterday. Regarding safety on hikes: there were two reported bee stings and two reported falls without significant injury. Tom nominated Kevin Kopp be added as a hiking guide. Nomination was endorsed by Meg Gerken. Tom made a motion to approve nomination and Claude seconded the motion. Nomination approved.

Tom made the following safety recommendations:

- Golder Ranch Fire station offers a free 6 hour first aid and CPR course for people in the district. Course is offered once a month. There is also a refresher course offered once a month. Tom recommended that all guides be encouraged to sign up for the Golder Ranch course. Tom will check to see if Golder Ranch would be willing to have a course specifically for the SCOV Hiking Club.
- The Red Cross has a three hour on-line course for \$37. Tom recommended that the SCOV Hiking Club pay the \$37 for all new guides.
- The Red Cross has a free first aid app that could be beneficial when there is an injury or health issue. Tom recommended that all guides get the app.

Jake made a motion to approve the recommendations and Jane seconded the motion. Motion passed.

4. **Membership update by Jim Locnikar:** See attached. Our current membership count stands at 388 at the end of November. Currently the club is on par with pre-COVID numbers. We have room for up to six more non-resident members.
  - Approximately 1/3 of members have renewed their membership.
  - Approximately 40% have signed the new waiver.
5. **Website update by Richard Babin:** Richard reported that all is going well
6. **Nominating Committee Report by:** Ken Percival will be the new Nominating Committee Chair.

**7. SCOV Hiking Club 2024 trips.** Report by Jake O'Neill.

- Charlene Meyers is in charge of the January and February Hawaii trips
- Kanab UT trip dates are October 6-11/2024. There will be a limit of 40 people for the trip and the hotel rooms have been blocked. Jake will publish some information regarding the Kanab trip in January. Richard Babin proposed that we consider enlisting the services of local guides for some of the hikes in that area and definition of hikes per SCOV Hiking Club definition. Discussion ensued regarding number of hikes and the possibility of guided hikes. Richard will research further.

Next meeting is January 10, 2024.

SCOV Hiking Club Board of Director's meeting was adjourned at 4:11 by President Jake O'Neill.

Minutes submitted by: Jane Budden