Princeton Ski and Sail Club Executive Board Meeting March 9, 2021

Due to the social restrictions imposed by the current health situation, this Board Meeting was held online via Zoom.

Called to Order: 7:00 p.m. George Koscs, President, presiding

Roll Call: In attendance – George Koscs, Karen Shannon, Carla Olsen, Jack Mason, Anne Bloomenthal, Dmitri Rizer, Dave Carroll, Dave Stern, Kate Goelz, Tom Montville, Hans Weinrich, Chester Trubinski, Peter Shearer, Steve Friedlander

Motion to approve the minutes of January meeting. Anne Bloomenthal; 2^{nd} – Tom Montville

Treasurer's Report – Jack Mason

Jack has prepared the 12 month summary and will present it at the March 16th general meeting.

Dues revenue is way down: \$3695 this year, \$6500 last year. This may mean dipping into the surplus for expenses.

Motion to accept the treasurer's report: Karen Shannon; 2nd – Dave Carroll

Membership – Steve Friedlander

The report with January numbers is for dues paying members only. There are no carry overs. A reminder Ebulletin was sent to 70 people.

Kate has requested a list of people who have not renewed in the last 2 years so they can be removed from mailing lists. It is recommended that people stay on the mailing list so they can see activities and may rejoin.

There will be a reminder in the April newsletter. George will write something for it to incentivize people to renew.

Ski Council - George Koscs

They are considering a discount IKON pass for the 21/22 season.

Newsletter – Alice Harper

The deadline for the next newsletter is March 20.

Steve will send information on the upcoming spring bike rides.

Dmitri will send pictures from Snowbird and Killington, and Snowbird trip report.

Website - Dmitri Rizer

In the last 30 days, there were 132 sessions (-22% from last month) of which 89 were new visitors.

Half the people view this on their mobile device.

Average session lasted about 2 minutes.

Hits from referring sources: Direct - 48, Google - 60, Bing - 10.

Page Views: Desktop - 219, Mobile - 104, Tablet - 7

Top 5 pages are: Home, Members-Only, Private-Content, Events-Calendar, How-To-Join.

Updates: Membership Directory, Board Minutes, General Meetings.

Facebook - Anne Bloomenthal

Nothing new to report.

General Meetings – Chris Fisher

March is the general business meeting.

Jack will present the financial report.

Dave will present the nominations for next year's board. He will then state that nominations can be taken from the floor and you can self nominate.

Steve will talk about the spring bike rides.

Kate will have a presentation on Irish phrases. Karen and Jack will volunteer to speak.

April is the sailing update.

The Rideau canal trip may be moved to April. Kate will give a presentation on this trip.

Steve can talk about the bike rides and Dave Stern can provide sailing updates.

Elections

Dmitri will send out the ballots March21. Voting closes April 25.

15% of the members must vote to get a quorum.

There will be no installation dinner. Kate suggested a virtual dinner so people can meet and share what they are dining on. Then there can be the installation ceremony.

Barbeques - Vee

Vee has volunteered to organize the BBQ's again.

The first will be in May as a mini-installation dinner.

We will still follow the current Covid rules.

George will email Vee to set up the schedule and ask if she wants to come to a board meeting.

We will post dates in the newsletter.

Ski Trips - Dmitri Rizer

Snowbird trip:

Great trip overall. Weather was nearly perfect, blue skies every day, maybe a little too warm. Plenty of snow with spring-like conditions. Excellent ski-in/out hotel. On the second day, one person got a mild concussion falling off the lift right after loading it. She did not ski afterwards on doctor's advice and got a refund for the 4 unused lift ticket days. She is looking forward to next year's trip according to her text message to me. They also skied Alta.

There were Covid restrictions – 2 people per chair lift.

In the lodge, you had to be seated at a table by host. Then, you ordered your meal online and picked it up at the cafeteria after receiving confirmation text that it is ready. Next year Dmitri is thinking of skiing in Cortina, Italy.

Dave Carroll recommended the Senior skiing web site.

Killington – Chester

Three people are going from Sunday to Wednesday, March 14-17. He had reserved 5 rooms and returned 2 of them.

Chester also reported Blue Mountain has had big crowds. The lodge is closed for general seating, unsecured equipment storage and eating meals brought from home.

Sailing - Dave Stern

Jeanine will run a Day Sail program this summer with approximately one sail per month.

The Italy trip is not rescheduled; a deposit of \$5700 is still held. Dave has contacted the president of Sunsail for a refund. While it seems like a large amount, it comes out to \$150 per person which is NOT a big penalty.

The Holland trip has 10 people already signed up which is enough for one boat. The deadline for sign ups is July.

A Labor Day 2022 sail to Maine is in the planning stages.

Motion to adjourn: Carla Olsen; 2nd – Dave Carroll

Respectfully submitted

Karen R. Shannon

Next virtual meeting Tuesday April 13 on Dave Carroll's Zoom account.