

EMG Outings Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: 03/08/18

Meeting Time: 7:00

Meeting Location: Alpine Shop

Minutes submitted by: Terry Allen

Minutes Approved: 04/12/18

Attendees

Terry Allen, George Behrens, Becky Denney, Doug Melville, Paul Ohlendorf, Mark Schuermann, Louise Bullock

Minutes

There were no additions or corrections to the February minutes.

Old Business

Whitewater Races

Doug M. reported that the whitewater races are still in need of help for judging and for other jobs.

Outing Leader Appreciation Dinner

Doug M. will be sending notices to all outings leaders. Seven leaders will be receiving awards.

Bikers and Hikers working together on Ozark National Scenic Riverway

Becky D. reported on the Preliminary Roads and Trails Management Plan for the Ozark National Scenic Riverway. Comments are needed regarding the use of mountain bicycles on trails prior to the final plan being released in 2019. The SC is in favor of Alternative B.

Conservation Gala

Doug M. reported that the Conservation Gala is now scheduled for May 1, 2018 at the SC office. John Feldman is organizing this EMG event which is aimed at people who are new to the SC. There will be presentations by various SC committees.

Pets on Hikes

Doug M. presented a handout of recommended guidelines for pet friendly hikes. Terry A. pointed out that the outings header requirement in OCP-04 will have to be revised. He will draft a revised procedure for review in April.

Operation Clean Stream

What was thought to be a planning meeting on March 10th is actually the cleanup event. It is being held at Lower Meramec River County Park. Details are available on the Open Space Council website. Search for Operation Clean Stream.

Publishing Outings In SierraScape

Terry A. presented some thought on using the SierraScape for publishing outings. He felt that because of the reduced publication frequency the SierraScape is no longer an effective tool for outing publication. He suggested looking into incorporating some of the expanded functionality of the Campfire software as a way to improve our outings publication system.

New Business

Doug M. Report On the SC Webinar

The new liability waiver rollout is on hold. National is in the process of reviewing the proposed waiver based on feedback from the membership. For now, we should continue to use old waiver. Those who have been using the online waiver can continue to do so.

National has dropped the four year re-certification policy for First Aid. The certification period for each specific training organization will be used.

Eleven Point River Clean Up

Doug M. received a communication from John Hickey saying that the Chapter is helping to lead a cleanup event on the Eleven Point River on Sat., July 14th. Camping is available.

Hawn State Park

Doug M. reviewed a list of events coming up at Hawn State Park that he had received from Ed Schott.

“See Green During the Spring Thing Walk”

DNR is offering a guided hike at Washington SP on March 17. It is free and open to the public.

Ozark Trail Council (Memorandum Of Understanding)

Doug M. presented proposed changes to the Memorandum of Understanding. Since the SC was one of the original eleven agencies that made up the Ozark Trail Council, we are required to sign off on any changes. Ross Hunt, as the Missouri Chapter representative, would be the person to sign.

REI Event

Doug M. reported that REI has asked the SC to have a table at an event that they are having. However, the date conflicts with the OC leaders social. We will try to arrange staffing by people not participating in the social.

Next Meeting Date: 04/12/18