

# **QOC BOD**

Meeting Minutes  
September 13, 2016

## **Opening**

The regular meeting of the QOC BOD was called to order at 7:30 PM on September 13, 2016 at Gary Smith and Karla Hulett's home by Tom Nolan. Quorum was established.

## **Present**

Jody Landers, President (via phone)

Tom Nolan, Vice President MD/DC

John Baker, Vice President VA

Corinne Porter-Taugher, Secretary

Vic Culp, Treasurer

Kathleen Lennon, Outreach/Publicity Director

Francis Hogle, Mapping Director

Jon Torrance, Immediate Past President

Others in attendance: Gary Smith, Karla Hulett, Bill Wright, Sid Sachs

## **Approval of Minutes**

The minutes of the previous meeting were unanimously approved as distributed.

## **MD VP Report**

Report given by Tom Nolan.

Notes:

- No events in MD yet and none scheduled till Oct.
- Patapsco-Hilton event in December – park was affected by the Ellicott City floods, so the status of the event is up in the air, but should be OK.

Action Items:

Gary Smith order orienteering direction signs – number TBD.

## **VA VP Report**

Report given by John Baker.

Notes:

- Lake Accotink - first meet (Foot-O/MBTO) of the season was held last weekend and it was an all hands effort with ~180 starts.
- The NoVa Senior Olympics also went well overall, however a runner was reported by the park seen on the railroad trestle. There was a warning not to go up there in the course notes, but that should be marked as out of bounds in the future.
- Fountainhead – Jon Torrance is course setting and proposes doing an ultra-long with a mass-start.
- Kathleen and Dasa are willing to do a Halloween Theme for Night-O at Hemlock Overlook event, however need a meet director for the event.
- Susquehanna Stumble at PWF – question as to whether to do a shuttle or not. Also should provide a course advisor to Mark Hicks, since he's never done a Stumble before. Question about who is handling the registration.

Action Items: n/a

## **Treasurer's Report**

Report given by Vic Culp.

Notes:

- Vic has figured out a way to reconcile membership system with PayPal.
- Question on meet fees

Action Items:

Greg will follow up with Google about info on page results to try to correct price discrepancies that are still showing up.

## **Secretary's Report**

Report given by Corinne Porter-Taugher.

Notes:

- Corinne is piloting a new meeting minutes, please send her any feedback that you have on the new format.
- In the future, she will get the minutes out in a more timely fashion.

Action Items:

Corinne - Update past BOD files in Yahoo Group

### **Membership Report**

Report distributed by Greg Lennon via email.

Notes: n/a

Action Items: n/a

### **Publicity Report**

Report given by Kathleen Lennon.

Notes:

- Intro to Orienteering events have been very successful at grabbing new members, Kathleen proposes increasing the number of these types of events offered and offer them more times a year, like at the beginning of each season.
- Little Bennett Great Outdoor Festival had low turn-out this year, however we should continue to participate in the future because it's a good way to maintain a relationship with the park.
- Going to be going dark on the QOC twitter because the people aren't there. Interested BOD members can also request to be added as an admin on the QOC FB page.

Action Items:

All BOD – please provide feedback on Nicole's video for QOC social media.

### **Mapping Director's Report**

Report given by Francis Hogle.

Notes:

- The Oregon Ridge map, due to logging, will probably be useless for the next 5-10 years. May have a short window of time before the undergrowth comes up.

Action Items: n/a

## **President's Report**

Report given by Jody Landers.

Notes:

- We put in a nomination this year for the Silva Award.

Action Items:

Jody will send proxy voting info to Francis Hogle.

## **Other Business**

- National Q3 Even Plans 2017: Bill Wright, John Baker, Francis Hogle
  - Bill Wright presented his organizational/budget proposal for the event to the BOD.
  - Based proposal on the Long Day's Night planning materials with alterations
  - Propose trying to get experienced volunteers for "chief" roles to mentor less-experienced volunteers to learn their roles.
  - Target time for finalizing the leadership team and commencement of regular team meetings is before the one year out mark.
  - The BOD evaluated and provided feedback on Bill's proposal, but overall it looked good.
  - Need expenses figured out about 4 months out to determine meet registration fees.
- Possible Nominees for open at-large BOD seats
  - Existing proposed members: Amy Loudon, Don Fish, Mark & Rae Ann Hicks
  - List of people to reach out to (in order of preference): Don Fish, Charles Carrick, Kris Beecroft, Craig Sheldon.
  - Aaron and Laura Linville possible people and/or the Bertheusens are also possible, younger candidates.
- Potential co-sponsored event for July 2107 International Cartographic Association's International Congress
  - Peggy Dickison is potentially interested in helping out. Jody will be reaching out to her.
- Other Business
  - Request has come from the two NJROTC groups for licensing our maps and would like to increase their number of events from 4 a season/year.
  - The BOD debated the pros/cons of the request

- Major concerns are the internal controls over the digital map files, potential competition of events, park overuse/relationship impacts
  - Benefits include advancing our mission to educate people about orienteering, junior development, possible course setter development of NJROTC leaders
- Currently charge \$3/map with course and they print their own with a license for a specified amount of time. Tom has asked the group leads for proposals for new fee structure.
- Current parks they have maps for: Balls Bluff, Morven...Patapsco?
- Should talk to parks before sell them a map to ensure that the club doesn't inadvertently lose its own access to the park
- Decision re: Sid's proposal for \$5 coupon for those who didn't get to take his orienteering class that was cancelled was approved.

Action Items:

- Jody will follow up with Peggy Dickison re: ICAIC July 2017
- Tom/John will reach out to Don/Charles about interest in being BOD members.
- Kathleen will reach out to Morven park contact about possible overuse concerns re: NJROTC.

**Parking Lot**

*Topics to be discussed at future BOD meetings or by a smaller group of the board off-line will be listed here.*

**Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned at 10:00 PM by Tom Nolan. The next general meeting will be at 7:30 PM on November 9, 2016, at TBD.

Minutes submitted by: Corinne Porter-Taugher

Approved by: [Name]