SCWDC

Board of Directors Meeting

August 8, 2022

Present:

Ruth D’Alessandro, President

Leo Boelhouwer, Vice President

Mary-Jo Swinimer

BJ Barger

Lawrence Langer

Bev Ashcraft

Rita Togni

Cheryl Wiseman

Absent:

Mary Thibault

Guest:

Casey Tarr

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Ruth D’Alessandro, President, at 7:19 pm.

**Approval of Agenda:** Motion to approve the agenda made by Bev & seconded by Larry. Unanimous approval.

**July Minutes:** Motion to approve July11, 2022 BOD minutes was made by Larry, seconded by Mary-Jo, and passed unanimously.

**President’s Comments:** As of August 6, 2022, we have 1106 members, the same number as last month. To date ski trips are selling well. Snowmass and Park City are sold out and Powder Mountain has been expanded. The ski trips to Canada and France are also beginning to sell. The Canaan Valley ski trip in January already has 16 participants signed up and the February Canaan Valley Ski trip has 10 participants signed up. Our ski trips may be selling even faster this year than last year. The biweekly sailing program has continued to be off to a slow start. Maybe the extremely hot weather has had something to do with that.

Kudos to everyone on the BOD who attended the July picnic. We had about 115 people there even though it was a very hot day. The flights committee and trip leaders who were there promoted the ski trips. There were also some flyers for other events and some new members attended the picnic. The Picnic committee volunteers who worked the event have volunteered for the past 3 years. Bill Johnston brought his microphone and set it up so I could thank everyone especially the volunteers and attendees. Ken and Joe were also able to talk about the ski trips.

**Tennis Program:** Casey Tarr presented the Tennis Committee’s plans to re-start the very popular Saturday night Tennis Parties which were interrupted following March 6, 2020 due to Covid and Fairfax Racquet Club’s Covid policy. 15 Parties are scheduled beginning with 6 courts and expanding as demand warrants. The first party will be held September 24, 2022 renting 6 courts at the Fairfax Racquet Club. The cost increases to $25/hour for a total of $600. Price to members will be $25 members and $30 non-members. They are working with Budget and Finance to produce a budget and streamline process especially for reporting food and beverage expenses.

**Budget and Finance:** An adjust draft budget was provided to BOD members including projected increases of 25% to accommodate the increase in inflation that we are seeing across the board. Larry has been finalizing the budget and is projecting increases of 25% on trips this year. The budget has been uploaded into the Software.

**Approval of Budget:** Motion to approve the budget was made by Larry and seconded by Bev and was approved unanimously.

**Travel Report:** A general discussion was held on upcoming and future adventure trips. The Club Med trip to Punta Cana is scheduled for Oct. 15-22. Currently, 29 participants are registered for the trip. A week-long golf trip is being planned to Hilton Head, SC from Nov. 12-19 with 28 registrants to date.

**Old Business:** The BOD was asked to vote via email to approve the Hilton Head Trip. A motion was made by Larry to approve and was seconded by Mary-Jo. The vote to approve was unanimous.

**Membership:** Current membership count is 1105, down slightly from 1115 earlier in July, with 13 new members in the last 7 days, 59 new members in the last 30 days. This is mostly good news but must also be put into context. We also have 44 membership renewals that are overdue, and 55 more renewals that are pending. July is almost always our busiest month for membership due to the influx of ski trip registrants. Gary prepared a well-documented Membership Program Plan. He is working on plans to improve the welcoming of new members and retention of current members.

**New Business:** At the next Board meeting, the policy on down payments vs full payment for trips under $1,200 will be up for discussion. Current policy can be found in Appendix 1.

BOD meetings now start at 7:15 beginning with the June 6th meeting. The BOD meeting schedule is posted on the Agenda every month through December 2022.

This is a reminder if you have to miss a board meeting you can contact Ruth or any other board member to find out what we discussed. You should not miss more than 3 board meetings in a year. Most of our BOD meetings will be via Google Meet or Zoom but we will have a social dinner Board meeting which Ruth will pay for out of the President’s fund at our Dec 5th meeting.

**Next Meeting:** September 12, 2022 at 7:15.

**Motion to Adjourn:** With no further business to discuss a Motion to Adjourn at 8:35 pm was made by Leo seconded by Larry and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary-Jo Swinimer

Acting Secretary

Meetings:

October 3, 2022

November 7, 2022

December 5, 2022