

## WELLS GRAY OUTDOORS CLUB

General Meeting minutes, February 9, 2016

7:00 P.M., Clearwater Search and Rescue Building

Present:

Dave Poole, Charlotte Smith, Anne Baker, Daniel Boudreau, Jean Nelson and Hazel Wadlegger (minute taker)

1. Welcome: Dave Poole called the meeting to order at 7:00
2. Agenda review: 3 items were added under Other topics – Social; outhouses and Elaine Gillette
3. Finances: No financial report; Invoices to pay: Underwriters insurance - \$2,470.00; Fleetwest - \$40.95; Daniel Boudreau - \$55.89 (lights from Home Hardware); various invoices from the Birchleg.
4. Old Business: tabled until next meeting
5. New Business:
  - a. Safety concerns:
    - Ensure we have coverage of Search and Rescue or First Aid for the Birchleg
    - Ribbon trails and have more signage at intersections
    - Make sure to monitor snow on the roof for danger when falling off. **Purchase a roof rake and ribbon off area when snow accumulates**

- Look into solutions for slippery floors in the Cabin: **Daniel**
- will check out the costs of rubber mats and/or the availability of using rubber conveyor belts
- Slippery floor signs on Storage shed – check into cost and place to get laminated. **Daniel and Hazel** will check
- b. **Trail Committee** – Will monitor the weather for next grooming. Trails are still good, a bit icy in the mornings.
- c. **Membership:** 109 Members; 22 Rabbits
- d. **Rabbit Program:** Going well, many new skiers
- e. **Volunteer Hours:** All members are asked to submit their volunteer hours to the Club. **Separately, by the month, starting in November, 2015**
- f. **Birchleg:** 81 skiers; beautiful weather; all went well. The bonfire was missed; great to have Stephanie Molina be the costume judge. A complete financial report for next meeting (when all receipts are gathered and paid)

**Members will send out Thank You's to sponsors. Hazel will make some cards to distribute.**

**Jean** will purchase a plastic container to hold supplies for the Birchleg and store it in the Cat Shed.

- g. **Ski/boot rental:** The Rabbits have purchased several sets of skis and boots for children. It has proven to be very useful for the Rabbit program. A suggestion was made to waive the fee for children who are helping with the program.

- h. **Solar System: Dave Poole and Daniel** will contact Wes Bieber for the original quotes and make a decision and recommend the appropriate system to purchase.
- i. **Grant Applications:** Sabine Cooperman reported she will be making a grant application through MEC for mountain bike trail construction.
- j. **Waxing iron and Clamps: On hold** for decision if we need to purchase at this time.
- k. **Volunteer fair at Elks Hall:** Charlotte volunteer to attend on behalf of the Club, however, **she is now not available**. If someone else is available, please let Jenn Belle know.
- l. **Moonlight ski:** Will be announced if Club is holding. (weather related).
- m. **Other topics:**
  - **Snocial** – a concern was raised that the name “Snocial” was being used by groups other than the Outdoors Club. Discussion followed and the issue has been dealt with
  - **Outhouses:** Anne cleaned the Cabin outhouse before the Birchleg. All the outhouses need some level of attention. This will be dealt with during a workbee in fall.
  - **Elaine Gillette:** It was reported that Elaine is retiring soon. She has been very helpful in her support of the Club. The Club will participate in a retirement luncheon and small gift to be held at a yet to be determined time and place.

**The next meeting – March 1, 2016**