

KHC Annual General Meeting March 19, 2017

Date/Time: March 19, 2017, 6:30pm (potluck dinner from 5:00-6:30pm)

Meeting was called to order at 6:23pm.

Opening remarks from outgoing President Michelle Dressler.

- Welcome to both new and returning members
- **Motion to accept the minutes of the last meeting. Moved by Dianne, seconded by Frith. Passed.**

President's Report – Michelle Dressler

- Changes to executive board since the beginning of year: Katherine stepped down as President and Michelle stepped in; Ian Cornish stepped down as Treasurer, Doug and Dianne stepped in; Raegan stepped in as Secretary (vacant role).
- Board members' names were called out and each identified themselves with a wave
- Cookbooks this year were thanks to Katherine. There are 72 left to sell, the money goes toward trail building. T-shirts also available thanks to Michelle, Katherine and Paul - Michelle is the only one left on committee. There will be one more order online only, which will go to the manufacturer in July
- **Motion to accept the President's report. Moved by Doug, seconded by Sharon. Passed.**

Award presentation – Michelle Dressler

- Two leaders are moving away: Anton Stefanac is moving to Vancouver. There is an award for him but he was not in attendance. Paul Battjes is moving to the Kootenays – he led the Peak Series and Tramps R Us. Paul was presented with a KHC Peak Series plaque.
- Thanks to the current leaders of the club.

Membership Report – Frith Powell

- Changes have taken place: the club had a membership cap in the past where you could only join at one time of year – pre-register in November and be a member as of January 1st. As of 2016 the cap was removed, the club now accepts member pre-registration in November/December but can register into the year.
- Added contact info to profiles. In the past was on a form and given to leaders, would often be out of date. Now it is online and up to date.
- Eliminated membership cards this year – they used to be mailed out and used at stores for discounts but now the list is given to each store.
- Stats: 45 new members in 2016, total of 240 at end of 2016. Starting in 2017 we dropped to 154, but now is at 229.
- There is a plan to evaluate software solutions for membership registration process.
- **Motion to accept the Membership Report. Moved by Dianne, seconded by Katherine. Passed.**

Financial Report – Dianne Smith

- KHC Income Statement April 1-December 31, 2016. \$10,675 at last AGM, right now at \$13,229.78. Copies of income statements are available to view. Current budget has an estimated surplus of \$8,000 at the end of this year. The club has accrued the money over the past five years; mostly in the first three. The insurance bill always varies due to the number of members at the time of payment.
- Last year we bought birdhouses, funded the cookbook up front, did trail building and awarded grants for trail building. The club is non-profit but allowed to have a surplus. The numbers are on the website until later this evening.
- **Motion to accept the Financial Report. Moved by Gerry, seconded by Ed. Passed.**

Kamloops Thompson Trail Alliance – read by Michelle Dressler

- KTTA is currently working on trails at Dewdrop, Grasslands Community Trail, Bushwacker (Stake Lake). Looking at Skoatl point trail maintenance in 2017
- Scuitto Lake is now a protected area with operator and locked gate
- Work party parties are scheduled (posted on our website)
- Clive will be stepping down as KTTA liaison.

Motion minor changes to accept the new Constitution. Moved by Sharon Peters, seconded by Marg Mercier. Passed.

Motion to accept new bylaws. Moved by Margo, seconded by D. Smith. Passed.

The revised constitution and bylaws will be added to the website soon.

Election of 2017-2018 Directors – Doug Smith

President - Doug Smith

Vice president - no nominations. The role will be assigned at the next board meeting.

Treasurer - Dianne Smith

Secretary – Raegan Markel

Hike Leader – Doug has asked that the Hike Leader director position be done by committee in future.

Directors at Large – Frith Powell, Jeremy Markel, Gerry Hoye, Anthony Stahn, Katherine Roberts, Sharon Peters

Past president – Michelle Dressler

Looking ahead to 2017/2018 – Doug Smith

- Some things to think about going forward:
 - Membership cap - the measure has been “are there spaces on hikes”. Hike leaders increased last year and there are now spaces usually open. Will we have enough events?

- Need to expand leader's program. Doug has an idea that will help, with details to come to the Board this spring.
- Review all activities, with regard to interest, risk, and frequency
- New registration/waiver/payment system developed by FMCBC has promise
- More moderate and easy weekend hikes are needed

Special Events – Michelle Dressler

- Highlights of upcoming special events:
 - Bear/cougar information session
 - Wildflower presentation
 - Hike for wildlife - funds to go to Canadian Wildlife Federation
 - Photography courses
 - Great Canadian Shoreline Cleanup
 - Rockhounding expedition or geological formation hike
 - Sage Orienteering Club team-up
 - World Rivers Day team-up with city
 - Wells Gray with Roland Neave
 - Local vendor workshops e.g. True Outdoors demo of backpacking
 - Banff Film Festival with club get-together before the film

Meeting adjourned at 7:10pm, followed by prize draw.

Minutes recorded by Raegan Markel.