

Arctic Orienteering Club Board Meeting
April 14, 2004
Minutes

Present at the meeting: Leslie Kroloff, Peggy Kugel, Jim Green, Chris Tomsen, Dmitry Sidorov, Steve Gruhn, Ian Moore, Jen Jolliff, Andrew Lee, Anne Billman, Dan Billman, Jill Follett, and Eric Follett.

Audit of 2003 finances

Steve and Eric reported that “everything was fine” and no irregularities were noted.

Meet Fees

Expenses: Dan has paid for all the permit fees except for APU. Campbell Creek Science Center charges \$400 for 9 hrs and \$200 for half a day (4 hours?). Dan paid the full day fees for the National Orienteering Day and Halloween-O. The board decided that a half day will be sufficient for the Halloween-O, so Dan will have that changed. The BLM also charges us an \$80 use fee per year. Ian noted that the Science Center should give us a break on fees. We have a similar mission, help them with mapping, and don't charge for kids under 16. We should try to get some of those fees waived. Fees for the Municipality of Anchorage (MOA) were \$285 plus a \$1 per contestant fee. The contestant fees will be paid after the meets occur, so we must tally up the total number of contestants when we do the meet results. The MOA fees consist of \$30 for seven meets not counting Kincaid, plus \$75 for Kincaid. Ron at Kincaid will try to waive that fee for us. They do sell our maps at the chalet for their profit.

An estimate of total expenses was made by adding up permit fees, estimated MOA contestant fees, food at \$30 per meet, mapping reserve, and so on. It was decided that an increase in meet fees to \$5 for members and \$6 for non-members would be enough to cover the increase in expenses while allowing for a mapping reserve.

A move was made, seconded, and a MOTION was passed to raise the meet fees to \$5 for members, \$6 for non-members, \$40 for an individual season pass with membership, and \$80 for a family season pass with membership.

Eric suggested that we charge kids \$1 if the MOA is going to charge us for kids. No action was taken on this, as the discussion shifted back to the family season pass/membership. A move was made, seconded, and a new MOTION was passed to change the family season pass with membership fee to \$75.

Membership form

There was some further discussion on the waiver issue of the past few meetings. Peggy would like a longer and more thorough waiver. Combining the name and address section with the signature section was suggested and discussed, as well as using legal sized paper for the form. Jill moved, someone else seconded, and a MOTION was passed that Peggy would work with Jim to complete an acceptable waiver that will fit on one page with the membership form.

National Orienteering Day

Leslie passed around some more flyers for us to distribute. The gate will be open at 9 am. Discussion centered on filling out the activities that we will have. Dmitry will set up a duck-O (?), Jill and Eric will set up a line-O, Steve will set up an orange course. Others have volunteered for other duties.

Meet Director's meeting

Ian was assigned this job. He will make a package that will be sent to the meet directors, and will also post the information on the website. Jill noted that we have been lax on vetting courses. Dan will send the permits to the meet directors.

Maps/OCAD status

Ian reports that all the maps have been converted to OCAD.

Library program, May 22

This will be held in the park located behind the Loussac library. Someone (Eric?) will make a simple map for this.

Quick Financial update

“We still have money in the bank.”

Anchorage Trail Care Program

This program sets up a fund to solicit donations to fund trail care within Anchorage. The group wanted to know if we wanted to be listed as a supporter of the program. It will not cost us any money. Anne noted that orienteering is mostly off trail and only easier courses are set up on trails. However, the general consensus of the board was that this is something that we should support. A move was made, seconded, and a MOTION was passed to sign us up as a supporter of this program.

Mapping Kincaid

Dan brought up an opportunity for us to get new aerial mapping data for contour mapping of Kincaid, but it would cost us some money (amount?). Ian says that he can get free data from the MOA that could probably be processed for similar results. Jen: Do we even want to re-map Kincaid because of the vegetation? No action was taken.

Explorer Post

Chris asked if there was any interest in providing mentorship to kids for this program. Anne suggested that it might be a possibility if the mentorship took place during the meets. It was not really clear how much and what type of work this would require of volunteers, so the discussion did not go too far. Contact Chris if you have an interest in this.

Next meeting: When enough issues come up, Anne will propose a meeting.

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