

**Arctic Orienteering Club Board Meeting
September 15, 2004
Minutes**

In attendance at this pre-annual meeting meeting: Dick Hawkins, Andrew Lee, Jen Jolliff, Ian Moore, Anne Billman, Jill Follett, Dan Billman, and Jim Green.

Jim is working on the **season's points results**.

Municipality of Anchorage per head fee

We have not yet paid the \$1 per contestant (over the age of 16) fee. Dan will take charge of finding out how much to pay them by looking at the results lists.

New Board Members

Most of the board members were willing to continue in their positions for another year, but would gladly let interested others take over their positions. The anticipated openings are for VP of Training, and VP of Membership. Chris Tomsen might be willing to take over the training position. Dick is willing to help with the REI training.

Details of the VP of Membership position were discussed since Jim, who is leaving the board, seemed to do more than just membership. He also updated the website and sent e-mail to members. The main job is to maintain membership information - getting forms from meet directors entered into electronic form. Jim noted that there are 700 people on the military list and about 150 on the yahoo groups email list. David Evans has been posting the results and might be willing to take over the website and membership position. Leslie has taken over e-mails to members in her position as VP of Media.

Jim recommended starting another yahoo groups e-mail list for board members and meet directors.

Next year's schedule

Many members missed having meets during our July and August lull this year. Anne suggested having meets every week in May and June, every two weeks in July and August, and weekly the last two weeks before the festival.

Other suggestions and comments:

Dick suggests that the Big-0, a white level score-0 for kids (May 25 at Kincaid) be added to the schedule. A Fall-

O and/or Night-O can be also be added. Trond Jensen is interested in holding the Mountain-O. A snowshoe-O might be a possibility, held in conjunction with the snowshoe racing nationals? competition that is coming this winter. Andrew suggests coordinating with Trond Flagstad on holding a Ski-O.

To fill the schedule, we need meet directors and volunteers. Jim suggests formalizing the assistant meet director and registration positions.

Map sharing

Ian and others have been getting requests for maps. The board agreed that we need to protect our intellectual property rights. Anne says that we need to put copyrights on our maps. If an individual wants a map, first suggest that they come to the meets for a paper copy. Dan and Anne don't want to distribute digital copies that are editable. PDFs of our maps, which were explained to be read only, are acceptable to distribute in place of paper maps for non-profit use. Jill says that we should request a donation for the maps in those cases.

For profit use of our maps should be refused (i.e. the request of the mountain bike trail guidebook author).

Trail proliferation

Jill notes that trails are being developed by individual mountain bikers, not the organized groups, so they will be difficult to stop. Several board members have taken down obvious single track trail flagging in Bicentennial Park.

Next meeting: The annual meeting is on Friday, September 17.

Prepared by Andrew Lee, Secretary, 9/26/04