



PACRAT Board Meeting
May 4th, 2015
9320 SW Barbur Blvd. Portland

Present: Greg Dilger, Andy Hobart, Sylvia Kearns, Dale Parshall, Sheri Parshall, Bruce Kuper, Bob Lawrence, Barb Pressentin, Colleen Stroeder, Amanda Moran, Bruce Parshall

Guests: None

Call to order: 6:51 p.m.

Previous Meeting Minutes – Sheri Parshall

It was moved and seconded to approve minutes from the previous meeting. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report – Colleen Stroeder

Colleen provided updated financial information, which is currently up to date for races and includes Rat Attack costs to date. We are currently showing a small loss against the budget of \$438.19. Colleen provided a copy of the current inventory, sans laptop which she will add.

Rat Attack – Sylvia Kearns

Sylvia presented a draft after-event report for the Rat Attack. The board agreed that it was a highly successful event. Sylvia noted that there were two suggested areas of improvement, including assuring that all participants are made aware that it's an adult-only party, and to work on better beer/wine ticket distribution and communication. There were 138 attendees. We did feed and provide beer tickets to the band. There were two non-paying guests: Rich Tichy for helping on the hill, and Dave Larson's date as Dave supplied appetizers, desserts and pineapples. It was a great help that two beer kegs were donated. Sylvia recommends that we have a committee going forward in order to spread the responsibilities for the event. It was suggested that we have better communication with the band. It was also suggested that the board work early to secure an appropriate venue, taking into consideration that significant deposits may be necessary. It was moved and seconded that a committee be formed to seek a venue for next year before June 19th, and the committee is authorized to provide a deposit up to \$1,000. Motion passed.

It was suggested that, once we know the number of teams participating, we look at ordering awards earlier in the season to avoid last minute rush charges and logistical difficulties. There was discussion regarding what type of awards to hand out.

Sylvia noted that we were significantly under budget for the event and season, and credits the beer and wine donations. Guest fees were slightly down overall this year. Sylvia will put together a final report for addition to these minutes.

Results – Dale Parshall

Dale advised that results seemed to work for the most part. He briefly discussed the fact that some categories, particularly for women, are very small, which can affect point distribution. Dale presented a chart noting participation percentages in each group. It was suggested that next year's board revisit the handicap structure.

Race Calendar – Greg Dilger

There was discussion about the race schedules, including: pushing the beginning of the schedule back into late January/February, eliminating the Ski Bowl race in January, adding two make-up dates, scheduling a December race, or making no changes. Challenges still remain with the resorts, with regard to parking situations and scheduling January and February races. Timberline, in particular, wants 75% of racers to take alternate transportation should we wish a race in January. Next year's board will be tasked with discussing and working on the schedule.

Survey – Greg Dilger

Bob offered to formulate the survey. It was moved and seconded that a committee be formed to work on the survey. Motion passed. Members of the committee will be Bob, Bruce K., Barb, Sheri and Andy. The survey will be sent to the board prior to sending to the captains for distribution to racers.

Elections – June 19th – Greg Dilger

Elections are coming up on June 17th. Current officers wishing to run for re-election are:

Chair: Andy Hobart

Vice Chair: No incumbent

Secretary: Sheri Parshall

Treasurer: Colleen Stroeder

Results Director: Dale Parshall

Race Director: Bruce Parshall

Sponsorship Director: Barb Pressentin., Amanda Moran

Membership Director: Bruce Kuper

Party Director: Sylvia Kearns

Past Chair: Greg Dilger (automatic-not elected)

Appointed (not elected): Two directors-at-large are appointed, including Rat Patrol coordinator

There was discussion regarding the voting process, with club vote distribution for 2015 as follows: Mountain High – 4 votes; Schnee Vogeli – 1 vote; Cascade – 1 vote; Skiyente – 2 votes; Bergfreunde – 1 vote. It was noted that no one club can have more than 25% of the votes. There was discussion regarding whether or not a club with several teams should have a larger voice in the election process, i.e., more votes. It was noted that the 25% "rule" was created so that no one club could control the election process. It was moved and seconded to change the by-laws to increase the maximum percentage of votes per club teams to 30%. Motion failed.

It was suggested that the voting procedure be described and posted on the web site. Sheri will also provide details to the captains when she sends out election notices.

Time and Location of the Next Meeting – Greg Dilger

The next meeting will be June 17th at the Buffalo Gap.

Meeting adjourned: 8:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

SHERI PARSHALL

Secretary/Communications Director