

Minutes – PVS ExCom Meeting – April 28, 2020

MEETING ATTENDEES: The meeting was held telephonically. On the call were: Tom Tycz, Jan Marx, Mary Rose de Valladares, Cara Jablon, Kathy Lake, Don Vierimaa, Dick Schwartzbard, Rosemary Schwartzbard, Marianne Sophonis, Dave Warthen, and Ellie Thayer. Jannes Gibson joined the meeting while it was in progress. President Tom Tycz opened the meeting at 7:04pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Secretary, Ellie Thayer, submitted the minutes of the March 24, 2020 meeting electronically in advance of the meeting. There were no objections or comments and Tom declared the minutes approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer, Dick Schwartzbard, submitted the Treasurer's Report electronically in advance of the meeting. There is \$12,993.26 in the treasury. Dick reported that there were a few disbursements, i.e., the fee for the conference calls, for Sue Lyon's host packet materials, and for web hosting renewal.

MEMBERSHIP RECORDS REPORT: Membership chair, Dave Warthen, submitted the Membership Records Report electronically in advance of the meeting. There were no objections. Dave commented that the electronic election went well.

TOOT REPORT: Ellie Thayer, the TOOT coordinator, reported that Jan Marx is the layout editor for the May 2020 TOOT. All articles have been submitted and Jan is presently working on the layout.

SKI TRIP COMMITTEE REPORT: Ski Trip Committee chair, Rosemary Schwartzbard, electronically submitted in advance of the meeting a proposal for a BRSC ski trip to Davos, Switzerland, February 26 - March 6, 2021, to be led by Inge Lesjak and John Hotaling. The proposal had been approved by the Ski Trip Committee and was ready for ExCom approval. Jan Marx moved to approve the proposal as submitted by Rosemary, Kathy Lake seconded the motion, and the motion was passed without objection.

Rosemary also submitted electronically in advance of the meeting summaries of the trip evaluations for the 2020 Snowmass and Park City ski trips. As usual, the trip leaders (the Lakes for Snowmass and the Jablons for Park City) were outstanding. However, BRSC at Snowmass did not fare as well. Rosemary commented that the club may wish to organize its own trip to Snowmass in the future should a PVS and BRSC trip coincide.

Rosemary commented that no one had expressed interest in leading a PVS contingent to the BRSC trip to Telluride in February 2021. Several members of the group expressed an interest in going, however. Rosemary noted that PVS members are able to go with another club.

There was discussion regarding the effect of the COVID-19 pandemic on 2021 ski trips, for example, on contracts, COVID clauses, insurance, reimbursements, hotel reservations, season passes, etc. As no one knows at this point what the status of the 2021 ski season will be, discussion centered on waiting to sign contracts and delaying on signing up for ski trips. Tom forwarded electronically a BRSC notice highlighting the issues and uncertainties due to the virus. As Marianne quipped, the notice had great questions, but no answers.

EVENTS AND MEETINGS REPORT: The Events and Meetings chair, Marianne Soponis, reported on upcoming activities.

Saturday, August 15, 2020 – Steak & Swim, Hines, Delaplane, VA.

Future events and meetings remain uncertain because of the pandemic and in view of the restrictions and guidelines issued by the local, state, and federal governments. The May annual meeting was canceled. A decision regarding a June meeting/Summerfest will be decided at the May ExCom meeting. Marianne noted that Kathi Daylor, who had previously expressed a willingness to host the June/SummerFest meeting, is now unavailable to do so. If SummerFest goes forward in June, Marianne will determine whether Jill Nelson is available.

Marianne also reported that the 55th anniversary planning committee's decisions are on hold for a while in view of the virus. Friday, October 23, had been proposed as a date for the anniversary luncheon and Maggiano's in Tysons Corner was proposed as a possible site. Dick suggested that the committee consider holding the luncheon on a weekend because some PVS members are still working. Marianne said the committee would take that into consideration.

OLD BUSINESS: There was one item of old business.

Status of transitions summaries: A few months ago it was decided that it would be beneficial to incoming officers, Board members, and Committee chairs to have summaries of the duties and past practices related to their positions. Rosemary informed Tom that she would be sending hers to him very soon.

NEW BUSINESS: There was one item of new business.

Next ExCom meeting: It was agreed that the next ExCom meeting would be telephonic and held on May 19, 2020 at 7:00pm.

ADJOURNMENT: Tom adjourned the meeting at 7:40pm.

Minutes submitted by Ellie Thayer.