

Minutes – PVS ExCom Meeting – March 23, 2021

MEETING ATTENDEES: ExCom held its meeting via Zoom, hosted by Marianne Soponis. Attendees on the Zoom meeting were: Tom Tycz, Barry Lake, Jan Marx, Kathy Lake, Mary Rose de Valladares, Rosemary Schwartzbard, Marianne Soponis, Dave Warthen, Kerry Hines, and Ellie Thayer. Cara Jablon and Jannes Gibson joined after the meeting started. President Tom Tycz facilitated the meeting, opening it at 7:07pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Secretary, Ellie Thayer, submitted the minutes of the February 23, 2021 meeting electronically in advance of the meeting. There were no comments or objections and Tom declared the minutes were approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer, Dick Schwartzbard, submitted the Treasurer's Report electronically in advance of the meeting. There is \$13,020.33 in the treasury.

MEMBERSHIP RECORDS REPORT: Membership chair, Dave Warthen, submitted the Membership Records Report electronically in advance of the meeting. Dave reported that there is nothing new to report.

TOOT REPORT: Ellie Thayer, the TOOT coordinator, reported that Dave Warthen is the layout editor for the April 2021 TOOT. The majority of articles have been submitted.

SKI TRIP COMMITTEE REPORT: Ski Trip Committee chair, Rosemary Schwartzbard, reported that the plans for the January 12 – 19, 2022 ski trip to Snowmass are proceeding and contract negotiations are ongoing. Barry and Kathy Lake are the trip leaders. Mt. Chalet is asking for a \$2000.00 deposit to hold rooms for PVS. Rosemary asked for a \$2000.00 advance from the treasury to be reimbursed to the treasury when members' deposits are paid. Kathy Lake moved that the advance be paid from the treasury, Jan Marx seconded the motion, and it was approved without objection. Rosemary noted that she will include a SAVE THE DATE notice in the April TOOT.

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

Thursday, April 8, 2021 – Zoom BYOB meeting, 4:00pm.

Tuesday, April 20, 2021 – Zoom annual meeting at 7:30pm.

Wednesday, April 21, 2021 – lunch at Wayside Inn, Middletown, VA at noon.

Tuesday, April 27, 2021 – Zoom ExCom meeting at 7:00pm.

Friday, April 30, 2021 – visit to Glenstone, Potomac MD at 12:45pm.

Marianne reported that the Glenstone outing with five tickets is fully booked and has a short waitlist. She has organized a luncheon outing to John Hotaling's recently acquired historic Wayside Inn in Middletown, VA on Wednesday, April 21. Marianne has also proposed a visit to the Hillwood Estate gardens or mansion or both. There will be a flyer in the April TOOT outlining these events.

Marianne expressed optimism that more events would be possible in the near future and noted that Shirley Rettig had contacted her about concerts in Alexandria. Rosemary and Marianne suggested that the delayed PVS 55th anniversary gathering could be in September and perhaps outdoors. Kerry Hines generously offered his swimming pool for a Polar Bear Plunge. No takers on the latter suggestion.

OLD BUSINESS: There were two items of old business.

Nominating Committee report: Kerry, chair of the nominating committee, reported that the slate of candidates had been selected and that the profiles of the candidates had been published in the recent TOOTs and would be run again in the April TOOT.

Election Process: A Notice Regarding the Election of Officers and Board Members was published in the March TOOT and will be published again in the April TOOT. In essence, the Notice provides a mechanism for membership to vote for the slate of officers and board members by acclamation by virtue of a non-response to the Notice of Election. Any comments or objections to the slate of candidates are to be directed to the President. Dave Warthen will send out a final notice to members by e-blast a few days before the April 20 election.

NEW BUSINESS: There were two items of new business.

Resignation of ExCom member and appointment to the vacancy: On March 22, Cara Jablon submitted her notice of intent to resign from her ExCom position on April 19 in order to stand for election as vice president on April 20. The vacancy created by Cara's Board resignation runs from April 20, 2021 until the election in April 2022.

Pursuant to By-Law Section III F: "A vacancy in the Executive Committee shall be filled by appointment by a majority vote of the remaining members of the Executive Committee and the appointed member shall serve the unexpired term." Jan Marx moved to appoint Sharon Mulholland to serve the unexpired term of Cara Jablon, beginning on April 20, 2021. Barry Lake seconded the motion and it passed without objection.

Next ExCom meeting: It was decided that the next ExCom meeting would be a Zoom meeting on Tuesday, April 27, 2021 at 7:00pm.

ADJOURNMENT: Before adjourning the meeting at 7:42pm, Tom thanked the group for its collective effort to make this difficult pandemic year a success and for all the help the group had given him.

Following the end of the meeting, Cara gave a short ski report from The Canyons, where she has been happily skiing the past few days.

Minutes submitted by Ellie Thayer.