

CVOA Board and Member Meeting  
Sunday, January 13, 2019 at 12:30  
Carrabassett Valley Town Office

The meeting was called to order by Bonnie Farrar, president, at 12:30 p.m.

Present: Board members: Bonnie Farrar, Cindy Foster, Neal Trask, Mary Berger, Jim Heichel, Steve Smith, Al Sleight, Jeannette Parker; Members at large: Bob Farrar, Elaine Smith, Mike Parker, Paul Trueworthy, Linda Trueworthy, Mary Frank, Harvey Packard.

Bonnie reminded the group of the CVOA member voting policy re: Bylaws: "Each member is entitled to one (1) vote on any matter properly submitted to the members for their vote".

Secretary's Report: Cindy Foster, Secretary

- The minutes of the October 21, 2018 meeting was approved.
- About half of our members have renewed for 2019

Treasurer's Report: Cindy Foster for Elise Gebhardt

- We are working on a budget for 2019, and are in a very sound financial position.

Range Report: Neil Trask, Range Chairman

- The Range took in about \$7,000 income at the range in 2018.
- This year we will buy only 3 palettes of clay, compared to the 5 palettes in 2018, and they are all being stored on the range property; we are not paying storage unit fees.
- We had a range committee meeting prior to this meeting, and we are off to a good start for the year. The Standard Operating Procedure is moving along.
- Al Sleight inquired about the option of hiring a range manager; Neal responded that we will not hire a manager this year; Bonnie noted that we are looking at actively increasing the volunteer force, and will have a volunteer coordinator.
- Harvey Packard will be the property management coordinator.

Activities: Bonnie Farrar for Stephanie Frost

- Other than ski trips, we have nothing planned for January or February; maybe Stephanie can come up with an event for Feb. 8-9.

Social Media: Stephen Smith

- Regarding Facebook: in 28 days, our FB page was viewed 525 times; 37 people watched the last video.

Webmaster: Bonnie for Patrick O'Brien

- Bonnie has been reviewing the web site; Patrick has been putting new info on from the newsletter.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Brochures: Our new brochures are close to being done thanks to the efforts of Deb Sanford, who is looking for updated photos and will contact Neal for range information.

The order of new CVOA Stickers has arrived; they are slightly smaller than the last ones. It was suggested that we also have small CVOA stickers such as to put on helmets. Cindy will look into that.

The Finance Committee has been reinstated to support the treasurer, do some long range planning; we are rewriting guidelines and goals. To meet the requirements of our by-laws, a motion was made: To create a finance committee to support the treasurer and assure the financial health of CVOA. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Ski trip updates: Big Sky 43 in the group, Sun Valley 26, Steamboat 33, Quebec 17 with some members going on two trips, we have over 100 individuals involved.

Cookie swap and x-country ski to the Parkers was the largest yet; 2 boxes of food were donated to the Stratton Food Pantry, and the leftover cookies were taken to the snow makers.

CVOA/Ski Museum Wine and Cheese event January 11: close to 70 members were there; Peter Weston told the group that the museum will be looking for docents, as well as oral history and photos.

Winter Social Dance: Held last night, January 12: 43 people were there, and the event broke even financially. The DJ was wonderful, and there was lots of dancing. There was a 50/50 raffle, which was won by Helen Vadnais and Steve Smith. The overflowing gift basket, donated by Jeannette Parker, was won by new member Tammy Mulligan.

Drop-in bowling: mentioned back in October by Elaine Smith, we are now in week 8; we have had 20 individual bowlers.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Treasurer position: Our treasurer Elise Gebhardt has found that with her full time work in their business she does not have the time to devote to being CVOA Treasurer; Elise is willing to continue until the end of her term in March, but Mary Frank has stepped up to be our treasurer beginning now. A motion was made to accept Elise's resignation, with thanks for the work she has done, and to elect Mary Frank as the CVOA Treasurer. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

In addition, a motion was made to remove Elise Gebhardt's signature from our Skowhegan Savings Bank account, and to add Mary K. Frank as a signatory on the CVOA Skowhegan Savings Bank checking account. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Nominating committee: For the term beginning in March, 2019, we have three board positions that need renewal or replacement and we need a new vice president. Steve Smith agreed to chair the

nominating committee. Everyone should be thinking of potential board members as well as a vice president, who should understand that he/she would move into the position of president the following year.

Charitable donations, community involvement: our policy for charitable donations is that we donate up to 20% of our previous year's net income; this is a reminder that the policy exists, and we need to promote the opportunity.

CVOA 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary: we would like someone to take charge of the celebration of our 20<sup>th</sup> year anniversary, including looking at logo wear and a winter social 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary. We would also like to have a historian.

**FUTURE EVENTS:**

Hut-to-Hut XC Ski: Bonnie: Jan. 21-24. 7 people are signed up.

Next meeting: Saturday, March 30 – Annual Meeting at the Sugarloaf Hotel

The meeting was adjourned at 1:26pm so everyone can go watch the Patriots game.

Respectfully submitted,  
Cindy Foster  
CVOA Secretary