

Arctic Orienteering Club Board Meeting Minutes for August 11, 2011

Present:

Trond Jensen, Dan Billman, Cory Smith, Chris Tomsen, Bill Johnson, Andrew Lee, Ann Leggett, Karen Bronga, Ian Moore, Ellyn Brown, Steve Gruhn, Kimball Forrest, Eeva Latuso.

Meeting called to order at 7:10 PM

Minutes from 4/6/2011 approved.

Finances: Dan End of April – \$7,800
 Current – \$11,000

Muni now charges \$2.00 per user fee. Eeva will check with the Muni if they will waive fees for those under 18, like they have in the past. i.e. the High School meet.

Eeva will also check on the Healthy Futures programs and jamborees on muni parks, to see if their fees get waived.

The next board meeting should review the need for changing the meet fee structure (60% majority required to change meet fees). Perhaps the High School O fee will go from \$1.00 to \$2.00 per person. Board will decide based on muni fee report from Eeva. Currently muni does not have permit fees, just head (trail user) fees.

Dan said the Fidelity account paperwork switch over is nearly complete.

Dan said this year has been following a trend with fewer people paying for meets, and more people buying annual passes. Are we making as much money as we need to this way?

Dan said it would be nice to acknowledge the people & organizations that contribute to the O club. Steadiest are the Dekrears. Note: some people may not want to be acknowledged. Suggestion was to maybe give them an O-Glass.

Mapping: It didn't work out for mapping this year. It was noted that Canadian orintees had suggested we pay mappers under the table.

Annual Meeting: Russian Jack 6 – 9 pm, August 24

1. Karl Swanson runs the Score–O meet at 6:30
2. Trond will do room set up
3. Kathy and Joyce will do refreshments, Pizza. Billman's have utensils/paper plates, cups etc.
4. Karen will prepare a slide show and bring projector and screen. She'll email club members to send her their 4 or 5 best photos. Cory will have route gadget on a slide show (Ellyn has a DVD of route gadgets from last year if needed). There will be two projectors/screens simultaneously showing slide shows and/or route gadget.
5. Annual Meeting Announcements (let Trond know if there are additional announcements):
 - OUSA Membership: Offers incentives for those attending their first A-meet; half off on meet fees.
 - Muni's \$2.00 user fee and potential club meet fee increase (policy change)

- Schedule will have a place for assistant meet directors to sign up. Eeva will see that poster is plotted
 - Trond will give a season review, discuss races, and touch on finances
 - Uniforms, we'll welcome someone that wants to take that on
 - Safety issues at meets need to be reported.
 - Mapping, didn't work out this summer
 - Acknowledge those that donate to club.
 - Thank you cards to door prize donors and Eklutna Inc for land use. Karen will get cards.
 - Board Nominations and Elections: Eeva and Steve are stepping down. A blank poster will be put up for nominations, and a list will be available. Karen will email the club that all positions will be open and available. Voting procedure same as previous years.
6. Ellyn and Eeva will hand out meet director glasses (a new water-glass style will be made).
 7. Karl may have overall results, Trond will check with him.
 8. Bill Johnson will get door prizes and Ann will donate other prizes from past years. He will have times on the bottom of plates starting at 7:45 for prizes
 9. Dan will give a 5-minute presentation of Orienteering in Turkey, and Ian of Orienteering in Canada and California

Schedule:

We do a lot of traditional meets. Outside, clubs are moving towards Sprint, Middle and Distance meets. Middles usually have the same number of controls, but shorter distances. It could be up to meet directors to follow the trend, or not. Guidelines for middle distances are online.

Chris will check with JBER to see if more attendance at meets would make JBER keep our mapping areas more available.

Many schedule rearrangements were made to accommodate Mountaineering Club board meetings. See online schedule for details.

Eeva will check on APU for next year's Annual meet and Meeting.

Land issues:

The West Anchorage Airport Expansion Plan was discussed, and it decided that the O club will not take a stand. A motion to support it was at first seconded, but then rescinded. Due to time constraints, the item was tabled until the next board meeting.

Other issues:

Toby Schwoerer wanted to borrow the O tent in late August; no one opposed.

OUSA membership. Discussion postponed until next board meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:25.

Notes by Ellyn Brown for Kathy Farynairz