

**TIDEWATER APPALACHIAN TRAIL CLUB  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**Monthly Meeting**

**October 2, 2019**

**Members Present:** Bill Bunch, Douglas Cary, Rosanne Cary, Mark Ferguson, Robert Giffin, Patrick Hayes, Bruce Julian, Ned Kuhns, Lee Lohman, Ellis Malabad, Kama Mitchell, Jim Moir, Phyllis Neumann, Jim Newman, Tony Phelps, J.P. Richard, Steve Rosenthal, Sharon Salyer, Jim Sexton, Mark VanZandt

**Members Absent:** Robert Adkisson, Juliet Stephenson

**1. Welcome and Call to Order**

The President determined the presence of a quorum and called the meeting to order at 6:57 p.m.

**2. Proceedings of Previous Meeting**

ON A MOTION BY PHYLLIS NEUMANN, SECONDED BY DOUGLAS CARY, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPROVED THE MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 4, 2019 MEETING.

**3. Finance Report**

Douglas Cary reported that income exceeded expenditures in the month of September.

**4. Trails Report**

Jim Newman reported a large number of sign-ups for the Fall Maintenance weekend—34 so far—plus a large contingent of Navy personnel. He added that he would be using a check in sheet and will check the crews in as they return.

**5. ATC Report**

Jim Sexton and Ned Kuhns will attend the RPC meeting Nov. 2.

**6. President's Report**

Ms. Cary covered the following items in her report:

- She participated in the ATC Session call regarding the Asset Inventory Rollout.
- A request was made by Daniel Chazin to verify data for the AT Data Book 2020.
- Jim Sexton and Ms. Cary will be on a conference call on October 7 with Andrew Downs of ATC and the representatives from Jones Street Creative to discuss help with creating new marketing materials.
- Ryan Mack of the USN is looking for a project to involve a group of Navy personnel.
- Ms. Cary will fill out the survey from the Partner Communications and Resources Committee of the Stewardship Council regarding club practices for check-out/check-in procedures with volunteers.

- The memorial service for Melinda Lukei will be held October 19 which is the club's maintenance weekend; any board member not attending maintenance is asked to consider attending.
- At the October membership meeting, the Carys will auction off a night's lodging in their barn during their Fall Fiesta. Proceeds to the club.
- From J.P. Richards: The work date for Paradise Creek Nature Park is set for November 9. He will address the request for assistance at Riverview Farm Park at a future date.
- The upcoming election was discussed in brief.
- Ms. Cary reported that Norfolk Coffee & Tea had bags of coffee at special pricing for resale as a fundraiser. The board made no objection to offering "TATC" coffee for sale.

## 7. **Chair's Reports**

**Cabin Committee.** No report available.

**Counselors.** Mr. Malabad reported that representatives from REI would be presenting the October program.

**Education Committee.** Mr. Lohman reported that the member survey would be sent soon.

**Land Management.** Ms. Cary began by informing the board that Jim Moir is replacing Bob Giffin, who has served for over 20 years. UPON MOTION BY MARK FERGUSON, SECONDED BY LEE LOHMAN, THE BOARD VOTED TO ACCEPT JIM MOIR AS MS. CARY'S CANDIDATE FOR APPOINTMENT. Mr. Moir reported that he and Josh Kloehn of ATC will walk the corridor.

**Local Trails.** See President's report.

**Membership.** Ms. Salyer reported that Wild Apricot is working well. The payment system will be transferred next week. She mailed out 36 cards to new members, and Kama Mitchell will be sending out new member packets. The club's total membership, when taking into account both family memberships, life members and individual members, is 450.

**Merchandise.** Mark Van Zandt noted that the last opportunity to purchase merchandise during 2019 will be at the October meeting, as November is the Silent Auction and there is no meeting in December.

**Newsletter/Notices/Webmaster.** Jim Sexton asked for volunteers to help set up tables for the Silent Auction. Silent auction donations can include items for the one dollar table. He sent letters to 10 local stores requesting a donation to TATC. He scheduled a Happy Hiker Hour at Coelecanth Brewery on November 20, and asked for volunteers to set up similar events. He also reported that he would make a trial payment with the new Wild Apricot system and set up dummy categories as a test run.

**Tool Boss.** Nothing to report.

## 8. **Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:58 p.m.