

Tamworth Outing Club minutes, January 29, 2018

Present:

Board members: Kathi Brown, Sheldon Perry, Brian Cutter, Amy Berrier, Anne Chant, & Karl Behr

Guests: Dexter Harding, Lucy Gatchell, & Hannah Fleischmann

Meeting called to order at 7:15

Secretary's Report:

Approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Report was approved as presented.

Ski Program:

Sheldon will cover trailer duty while John Gotjen is away.

Discussion of make-up days. Only one is allowed, so this year's program will be shortened by one week due to several cancellations

Sled Dog Race:

37 sponsors have signed on to-date. Discussion of removing some listings from solicitation lists, since there has been no reply from these businesses for several years.

There was discussion of trail access. Chocorua Lake Conservancy (CLC) really wants to keep the race and have presented a new trail proposal in light of the fact that some landowners may block trail access needed for sled dog race. Brian will walk this new proposed trail section with John Watkins and David Little. Discussion of trail loss over years once they are not maintained. Brian reports that sled dog club requires wide trails for sprint racing. Discussion of how Chocorua Lake is both a liability and an asset for this race

Wonalancet Ski Trails:

Trails have been well groomed this season, but there have been some washouts.

Dances:

New "Second Saturday" year-round dance series was confirmed. For consistency, Tamworth Town House is the dance location, so dances will start in May after current renovations are complete. Hannah Fleischmann will be added as an administrator to TOC Facebook page, so she can promote dances. Lynn Jones currently handles the FB page, so she will be contacted. Question was raised as to whether new Town House management would charge for dance time slot (*Note: Amy confirmed with Melanie Streeter that there would be no charge to hold dances there.*) Board decided to charge dance co-sponsors \$100 per dance. Amy will host another discussion about coordinating callers, bands, etc. at a later date

Next meeting: Monday February 26

Minutes submitted by Amy Berrier