

Tamworth Outing Club minutes, April 24, 2023

Present:

Mark Fournier, Teresa Fournier, Amy Berrier, Wyatt Berrier, Sharon Morrison, Pam Hayden, & Barb Bloomberg. **Guest:** Nick Grant

The meeting was called to order at 6:54

Secretary's Report:

March minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report:

There was a lengthy discussion about the final bill received from King Pine for this year's ski program. The general feeling of the board was that TOC should not pay for students who already have a season pass to King Pine. TOC is being charged for those students and the board sees this as "double dipping" by the ski area. TOC needs a much cleaner/clearer bill from King Pine. Teresa will talk to Heidi Glavin on the KP staff and get back to the board.

The treasurer's report was approved.

Ski Program:

Discussion about the ski program continued. Board felt that TOC needs to be part of contract negotiations with Brett School and King Pine. Currently, Brett and KP negotiate the contract and TOC pays the bills.

Supposedly, volunteer instructors who have a KP season pass are not charged to take part in the junior ski program. This needs to be clarified.

Teresa will talk to Brett coordinator Kitty Greene and also get a list of Tamworth season pass holders from King Pine.

Before TOC pays the final bill, discussions must be had with King Pine!

There was discussion about rentals for students and if there are any ways that TOC could save money for the program by streamlining the rental arrangements.

Starting in 2024, TOC will be responsible for trailering ski equipment to King Pine. Do we need to buy our own ski trailer? Sharon has a neighbor who owns a trailer that needs some welding and has two flat tires. With some fixing, this might be a viable trailer for moving skis. The neighbor would consider donating the trailer to TOC.

Nick mentioned that he has prior experience negotiating ski program contracts.

Family Day 5K:

Sharon spoke about the upcoming 5K race. The race will start at 8 AM on July 4 at Ordination Rock.

Pam (food & fun), Dylan (volunteer wrangler), and Sharon (other stuff) are working to put together this race.

The website will go live once road use permits are in hand.

The 5K committee is organizing a “bib raffle” for race participants with prizes (canoe rentals, water park tickets, train rides, etc.)

Race pre-registration will be online. The question was raised as to whether there could also be paper registration on the day of the race. This is a possibility.

Family Day Food:

The fireworks will be on Saturday, July 1, while Family Day will be on Tuesday, July 4.

Discussion about whether TOC will host the snack trailer at one, both, or neither of these venues. Who (if anyone) will take charge of food service in July?

There was a discussion about the trailer and whether it is cost-effective to keep, use, and maintain.

The wiring in the trailer is problematic and needs to be looked at by an electrician.

Further discussion about the trailer is needed, including an assessment of costs, profit, and board interest/enthusiasm.

TOC Vests:

New vests were ordered, but sizing seems wrong. New XL and 2XL sizes are still not big enough to fit over winter jackets! Maybe we need 3XL??

History Center Collaboration:

Suzanne has agreed to be the main contact with the History Center for this exhibit project. She will send out an email to the Exchange seeking artifacts and stories by Memorial Day

Other Business:

Amy will get a bill from Marsha Colcord for plowing expenses at the Sled Dog event. *(Bill received and forwarded to Teresa).*

Wyatt will do the door at the May 13 dance.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10.

Minutes submitted by Amy Berrier

Next TOC meeting is on Monday, May 22, 6:45 at Cook Library.