

Tamworth Outing Club minutes, June 19, 2023

Present:

Amy Berrier, Wyatt Berrier, Sharon Morrison, Dylan Alden, Rob Farnum, Suzanne Morgan, & Barb Bloomberg.

The meeting was called to order at 6:54

Secretary's Report:

May minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report:

The treasurer's report was approved.

July 1 Snack Trailer:

Barb is heading up the food sales at this year's fireworks. Rob and Wyatt will get the trailer over to the school. Teresa, Mark, and Humberto will assist with cooking. Barb plans to be there by 5:30 (music starts at 7; fireworks at 9). The signs about TOC are in the trailer. A banner was suggested for future events, promoting TOC. The food is in Wyatt's freezer. Thawing details were discussed. Wyatt and Rob will buy excess food from TOC after the July 1 event so that Wyatt can turn off his freezer.

Advantage Kids:

Kent sends word that the Spring session is over and twelve Tamworth kids participated. Teresa sent the requested support from TOC. The program is going well.

Ski Program:

Amy reviewed where we stand at present. After much effort by Teresa and Amy to have a conversation about billing questions from the 2023 season, Amy finally spoke with the new King Pine school program coordinator, Jeremy Hall. He has previously been the rental shop manager there. Jeremy informed Amy that TOC is not a party to the ski program contract and that this contract is between Brett School and King Pine. Barb, Sharon,

and others present questioned the validity of the contract for 2024 (Amy brought an unsigned copy), with Sharon pointing out that this document is really an “agreement for services,” not a true contract. Jeremy told Amy that “Kitty already signed the contract” which, in the context of the conversation, sounded like she had already signed the contract for 2024. Very confusing. There was further discussion about the TOC’s true role in Ski Program. There was a suggestion that maybe Tamworth should get a quote from Cranmore for a program there. Everyone present felt that TOC is being taken advantage of and should have a much clearer role in Ski Program going forward.

The following points were agreed on:

- TOC needs to have a written agreement with Brett School as to what we will be responsible for
- TOC would like King Pine to clarify the role of hired King Pine instructors and what services they will offer to the Tamworth program. We are potentially being charged \$70/hour for instructor services in 2024.
- The PTA or school should arrange for ski transport, not TOC
- Question: did Kitty sign a contract for 2024??? If so, why?

Amy, Teresa, and Wyatt will meet with Kitty on Tuesday (tomorrow) to discuss the program.

TOC at History Center

Suzanne reports that the summer display, which features TOC, is up and running. THC is hosting a volunteer orientation meeting on Wednesday, 6/21, at 1:30. They are looking for volunteers to be at the THC front desk during open hours to welcome visitors. Sharon and Suzanne will help out.

Family Day 5K:

Sharon told the board that raffle prizes for race participants are rolling in. Only twelve runners have signed up so far. Sharon is putting out lots of publicity. Wyatt is planning to help promote the race at upcoming farmers markets. Amy suggested that having signup info at the snack trailer on July 1 might be a good way to get runners.

Halloween:

Wyatt made a motion to include Olde MacDonald's Terror Barn as part of the "official" TOC Halloween in the Village. This motion passed.

Wyatt made a second motion that the TOC budget for 2023 Halloween events be up to (but not to exceed) \$500. This motion also passed.

Other Business:

There was brief discussion about the day/date and location of the TOC Annual Meeting in August. People were in agreement that this should once again be held behind the Other Store on a Sunday afternoon, making sure not to schedule it at the same time as other conflicting events. More discussion at the next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:11.

Minutes submitted by Amy Berrier

Next TOC meeting is on Monday, July 31, 6:45 at Cook Library.