

Minutes – PVS ExCom Meeting – February 23, 2016

MEETING ATTENDEES: The meeting was held telephonically. On the call were: Carolyn DeVilbiss, Dick Schwartzbard, Herb Bennett, Inge Lesjak, Reg Heitchue, Marna Blanchette, Nancy Pigman, Ray McKinley, Nancy McKinley, Rosemary Schwartzbard, Dave Warthen, Jan Marx, and Ellie Thayer. President, Carolyn DeVilbiss, chaired the meeting. Herb left the call at 7:25, but was present for the voting on the applicant members and the Snowmass 2017 ski trip proposal.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Secretary, Ellie Thayer, submitted the minutes of the January 26, 2016 meeting electronically. The minutes were approved and filed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The Treasurer, Dick Schwartzbard, submitted the Treasurer's Report electronically. The Treasury amount is \$13,173.07. The report was filed. Dick reported that he transferred \$5,000 from the checking account to the savings account. In response to a query from a member about the Treasury amount, Dick suggested that it be reported to membership at the upcoming annual meeting in April.

MEMBERSHIP RECORDS REPORT: Membership chair, Dave Warthen, submitted the Membership Records Report electronically. The report was filed. Dave reported that there were seven applicant members in the club potentially ready to be voted on for active membership at the April meeting: Dan Churchill from Florida as an Associate Individual Member; Sarah and Richard Sugarman from Vermont as Associate Couple Members; Patricia Lesjak as an Active Individual Member; Royce Kneece and Marsha Patrick* as Active Couple Members; and Jill and Bob Nelson as Active Couple Members. After a discussion, ExCom agreed that all seven either met the criteria for active membership or, in view of their participation in PVS activities to date, were nonetheless deemed eligible for active membership. Ellie moved that all seven be presented for membership at the annual meeting in April. Carolyn called for a voice vote and all voted aye. These applicants will be asked to submit profiles for the April TOOT. *The application of Marsha Patrick as part of the Active Couple Membership with Royce Kneece arose the day after the ExCom meeting. Within the next two days, approval for her application to be presented to membership at the annual April meeting was secured by email.

EVENTS AND MEETINGS REPORT: The events and meetings chair, Ray McKinley, gave a status report on upcoming events and meetings.

- March 5, 2016 Dinner and Dancing - Jevcak, Ft. Myer at 6:30pm.
- March 19, 2016 meeting - FitzGerald, Reston, VA, at 2:00pm.
- March 22, 2016 ExCom meeting – Schwartzbard, Arlington, VA, at 7:30pm.
- March 23, 2016 Black History Museum – Rozzell, Alexandria, VA.
- April 15, 2016 urban hike – McKinley, Mall, late morning.
- April 19, 2016 annual meeting – Heitchue, Reston, VA, at 7:30pm.
- April 26 ExCom meeting – DeVilbiss, Alexandria, VA, at 7:30pm.
- May 15, 2016 Eclipse concert – McKinleys, Alexandria, VA, at 3pm.
- May 17, 2015 monthly meeting – TBA.
- June 11, 2016 Signature Theater – McKinleys, Arlington, VA, at 2:00pm.

For the annual meeting, ExCom decided to proceed with having the meeting in the party room at Reg's condo. The only drawback is that the room holds a maximum of 50 people. Details will be worked out later.

With respect to the proposed Signature Theater outing, Nancy is required to put down a deposit. The group assured her that she could ask ExCom to cover any loss on her part should the event be canceled.

SKI TRIP COMMITTEE REPORT: Chair, Rosemary Schwartzbard, electronically submitted a proposal by Kathy and Barry Lake to lead the 2017 Snowmass trip. She highly recommended that the proposal be accepted. Nancy Pigman seconded that recommendation. Reg moved that the Snowmass proposal be accepted. Ellie seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Carolyn noted that sometimes BRSC protested when a couple were the designated trip leaders. Rosemary said that she would be a back up, if needed.

TOOT REPORT: TOOT Coordinator, Ellie Thayer, reported that the March TOOT editor is Jan and that the deadline for articles is a few days away.

OLD BUSINESS: There was one item of old business.

Website update: Issues about the new website were held over until the in-person ExCom meeting in March.

NEW BUSINESS: There were two items of new business.

Replacement of the Vice President: Earlier today, on February 23, 2016, Bob Kramer informed ExCom by email: "I am hereby resigning my post as PVS Vice President and terminating my PVS membership, effective immediately." Carolyn informed the group that she had replied telling Bob that she understood that, because of his travel, carrying out the VP duties was difficult. She added that she hoped that he would reconsider revoking his membership in the club.

The group then discussed the issue of finding a replacement to finish the VP's term, which will end in April 2017. Carolyn proposed that a replacement be found pursuant to Section III F, which provides: "A vacancy in the Executive Committee shall be filled by appointment by a majority vote of the remaining members of the Executive Committee and the appointed member shall serve the unexpired term." Carolyn asked that members of the group email her with suggested candidates' names. ExCom agreed without dissent to proceed in that manner.

Next ExCom meeting: Rosemary volunteered to host the March in-person ExCom meeting on March 22 at 7:30.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm.

Minutes submitted by Ellie Thayer.