

Minutes – PVS ExCom Meeting – October 22, 2019

MEETING ATTENDEES: The meeting was held telephonically. On the call were: Tom Tycz, Kal Nossuli, Dick Schwartzbard, Melissa FitzGerald, Barry Lake, John Holt, Jan Marx, Dave Warthen, Rosemary Schwartzbard, Nancy McKinley, Marianne Soponis, Bob Jablon, and Ellie Thayer. Mary Rose de Valladares joined after the call started. President Tom Tycz opened the meeting at 7:04pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Secretary, Ellie Thayer, submitted the minutes of the September 24, 2019 meeting electronically in advance of the meeting. There were no objections or comments and the minutes were approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer, Dick Schwartzbard, submitted the Treasurer's Report electronically in advance of the meeting. There is \$14,221.80 in the treasury. Someone remarked that we need to spend some money on another anniversary party. The club's 55th anniversary will be in November 2020. Jan Marx informed the group that the club's time capsule is due to be opened in 2020.

MEMBERSHIP RECORDS REPORT: Membership chair, Dave Warthen, submitted the Membership Records Report electronically in advance of the meeting. Regarding the status of 2019 – 2021 membership and the biennial dues collection, Dave reported that, to date, PVS has 119 members; 20 members chose not to renew; 10 members died over the 2017 – 2019 period; and eight have not responded. Dave thanked Marianne Soponis and Inge Lesjak for contacting or trying to contact 22 members who had not responded by October 1. Due to their efforts, only eight members were not contacted. Those eight will be dropped from the membership rolls at the end of the month.

TOOT REPORT: Ellie Thayer, the TOOT coordinator, reported that Kerry Hines is the layout editor for the November TOOT. We are awaiting a number of articles; however, the deadline for articles is not until early next week.

SKI TRIP COMMITTEE REPORT: Ski Trip Committee chair, Rosemary Schwartzbard, reported that there has been no interest from members in joining Inge on the Pentagon sponsored AsiaFest ski trip. Nonetheless, Rosemary advocated for continuing the model, i.e., having a member volunteer to coordinate an informal PVS subgroup within another club's trip, in the future.

Snowmass has 38 participants. Barry Lake said that he will urge PVS members to participate in the NASTAR competition. The Park City trip has 15 participants. Bob reported that he was informed that additional rooms will not be held beyond Monday, October 28. However, Bob and Cara are working through Encompasse Tours to persuade the Park City Peaks Hotel to extend room availability to accommodate any trip latecomers, to the extent possible.

Rosemary commented that it is too early in the season to be focused on local skiing, but that she will address new pricing at Liberty and Whitetail in Ski Talk.

EVENTS AND MEETINGS REPORT: The Events and Meetings co-chairs, Nancy McKinley and Marianne Soponis, reported on upcoming activities.

Sunday, November 10, 2019 – monthly meeting, Gibson, Potomac, MD at 2:00pm.

Friday, November 22, 2019 – Portrait Gallery and lunch, McKinley, Washington, DC at 11:30am.

Tuesday, December 10, 2019 – monthly meeting/Holiday Party, Hotalings, Arlington VA at 7:30pm.

Sunday, January 19, 2020 – Little Theater of Alexandria, Rettig, at 3:00pm.

Nancy said that she is still looking for a host for the January 2020 monthly meeting.

OLD BUSINESS: There was one item of old business.

Recognizing the club's two centenarians: Peter Russell was recognized at the October 12th monthly meeting and toasted with a glass of champagne. The club wishes to toast Suzanne Boisclair at the December holiday party/meeting, either in person or in absentia.

NEW BUSINESS: There was one item of new business.

Next ExCom meeting: Ellie explained that the November and December ExCom meetings have traditionally been combined because of the holidays and holiday travel, and are usually scheduled in early December. It was agreed that the next ExCom meeting would be telephonic and held on December 3, 2019 at 7:00pm.

ADJOURNMENT: Tom adjourned the meeting at 7:33pm.

Minutes submitted by Ellie Thayer.