

Snowbowl Ski Patrol General Meeting Minutes

Date: September 10, 2019 Meeting Start 7:01 PM

Attendees: Christine Lustik, Joe Lustik, Cheri Thompson, Neil Marjerrison, Tom Kerr, Stan Sneath, Bill Bucher, Dennis Hardwick, Frank Scariano, Eric Hardwick, Paul Janzen, Amberleigh Hammond, Cathy Scribner, Brad Volkmann, Ed Levine, Penny Bucher, AJ Bucher, Freja Lovato, Chelsea Leven, Larry Abramson, Kyla Sautter, Ryan Hamilton,

Location: St. Pats Duran Learning Center

Typed up: 9/11/2019 by Christine Lustik, Secretary

1) **Mountain Update** – Art wasn't there so Neil and Joe both reported what they knew.

- a. Griz chair was hit by lightning. Waiting on parts for it, it's been running on diesel all summer.
- b. They ordered a brand-new motor for the new lift and professional installers will install it and the new Griz motor.
- c. Joe has new trail maps. When we know we are opening the other side he'll distribute via pdf.

2) **Secretary Report** – CHRISTINE - nothing new to report. Watch for dates and directions this fall and be ready to start scheduling at the end of October. We'll be scheduling 15 people per day this year!

3) **Treasurer Report** – PAUL

- a. In bank \$23,400.
- b. Currently taking in about \$1,000 per month for license plate which is about ½ of what it used to be.
- c. Income and outflow are about even this time of year. Due to the fact that our outcome rises as the size of our patrol rises and we pay for everyone's dues and workers compensation, we will not be offering a gear reimbursement this year. Joe expanded on this - as we talked about last year during the workers comp discussion, instead of collecting money we will carry the cost.

4) **Recruiting** – JORDAN not attending info from Joe.

- Recruiting getting interest, but not doing any of the normal recruiting activities because we are not putting on a normal OEC class. For the first time in many years there is a division-wide Senior Patroller class being held and our instructors will be busy either taking this class or leading it this year.
- We will try to do an EMT 1-month challenge course. Concern is we could be short next year with a normal amount of attrition and no class this year. In the meantime continue to tell people to go to the website for next year's class and if you have someone well qualified for the challenge course send them to Jordan.

- *Question: – do we know what Jordan has recruited?* Joe thinks we'll end up with 6-8 that will be true challenge candidates.

5) **Off -Mountain Events** – Congratulations to all who participated in the off season. This was a successful off-season and we represented Snowbowl and our patrol well within the community. Thanks to those that headed up these events!

- YMCA: Riverbank Run (Sat 4/27) – Headed up by Bill Bucher.
- MTB Missoula: Mullet Classic (5/29) – Headed up by Stan Sneath .
- MTB Missoula: Pro-XC (6/6 – 6/9) – Headed up by Stan Sneath & Tom Kerr .
- BIA MT: Big Sky Challenge (Sat 7/14) – Headed up by James Gardner.
- YFC: Seeley Lake Triathlon/Duathlon – Headed up by Cheri Thompson.

6) OLD Business

- NSP Senior Class:** Cost = \$250, patrol pays half (\$125) for ALL participants who complete the test.
 - Those interested stayed after the meeting for more info from Penny. **For those not at the meeting that want to take the course, contact Penny. She has details and registration needs to be completed by October 1.**
 - Course # N029190009
 - Senior Class Dates:
 - Every **Thursday** night – October 3 – March 12
 - January 10-12, 2020:** Senior OET Clinic at Winter Tip-Off (RED LODGE) FIRM
 - February 8-9, 2020:** for Senior Clinic at SHOWDOWN (Great Falls) [tentative]
 - March 14-15, 2020:** for Senior test at LOST TRAIL [tentative]
- Don't forget!** ICS 100 certification – must complete by end of year (MANDATORY) NSP course # N029190005. Details in the Sept 4 email.

7) **NEW Business**

- 9/21-22** Northern Division meeting at Big Sky. ALL WELCOME. Not too late to go if you need an OEC refresher and can't do ours. Register and let Joe and Cheri know if you are attending.
- 10/12 OEC Refresher** at City Life Community Center + CPR Training (**MANDATORY**)
 - OEC refresher all day event at City Life. Due to refresh CPR. Learning and practice will be done at OEC.
 - Cheri refresher will roll similar to past two years. Instructors will move with teams. Cheri is setting up instructor refresher. There are four 75 minute sessions. It's a refresher, not a final exam.
 - Don't forget:**
 - Complete workbook and bring it.
 - Bring online portion certificate or email the certificate to Cheri, not the link, the certificate.
 - Watch for info on a CPR online element.

- iv. Cheri needs 7 volunteers for patients. Volunteers are there at 7 AM.
 - v. *Question - Amberleigh – is the online CPR NSP?* No American Red Cross has an online portion, so we only have to do the practical and test together.
3. **10/13 On-Hill Refresher** at Snowbowl + CPR Test + Stop the Bleed Training + Life Flight Demo **(MANDATORY)**
- a. On the hill refresher is Sunday and there will be a lot to cover. We'll rotate through:
 - b. Hopefully a life flight demo,
 - c. A stop the bleed training,
 - d. Testing CPR recertification,
 - e. New lift evac procedures to learn.

On hill is particularly not optional this year.

4. **Family Passes – Those patrollers opting to do a Family Pass in lieu of vouchers need to let Joe know by 11/1.** Anyone intending to take advantage of the new family pass opportunities let Joe know. Vouchers will be good for a full year from now on. If need to understand options better, or have questions, ask Joe.
5. **11/9-10 SOS Fair** Location Big Sky H.S. gymnasium!
- i. Snowbowl would like to fill ALL shifts this year to collect 100% of the proceeds.
 - ii. Sign-up schedule will be at OEC Refresher iii. Slots can be filled by friends and family members
 - iii. *From Meeting.* The SOS fair is at Big Sky, per normal. Because of the declining revenue with the license plate and growing expense of a larger patrol we are looking at optimizing opportunities to bring revenue in. In the past, the patrol has been a major player but not an exclusive player. Joe would like us to be the exclusive workforce at SOS Fair. We'll know at the OEC refresher. Be prepared to sign up for your shifts at the OEC refresher. If we fill all the shifts we could get perhaps \$9,000 - \$11,000.
 - iv. *History:* It used to be an expectation for all members of the patrol. We moved that to optional when the license plate revenue made it up. Joe doesn't want to make it required but is asking us to step up and fill shifts. It's good for us to be visually aligned to it.
 - v. *Questions:* Amberleigh – *What is going to happen with the increased money?* There is no extra money, we are even right now with the larger patrol. *Is there additional conversation of us charging for our services?* No, we had talked about assessing a fee to offset a cost of general liability insurance but instead of taking out our own policy we've been successful at getting all organizations to add us to their policy at no cost to us, and that's gone well. We never talked about assessing a fee for off mountain events to pay for on mountain workers comp. Frank, *how many slots do we have to fill?* We don't know that for sure yet. Erin is getting that for Joe. Penny commented we'd need people to do 2 shifts at least. It can be family and friends. Chelsea, *what is the benefit for friends.* Joe – no perk, other than it's a community service, and fun. We do have sit down jobs and other types of positions. Day care is provided.

6. Joe left something off the agenda. Joe chose new team leaders and the patrol needs to approve. He introduced Cathy Scribner and Frank Scariano as new team leaders – much applause. Paul moved. Penny approved. Passed with 1 opposition – but it didn't seem to serious. Without a quorum, this will be voted on again in October.
7. Introductions:
 - a. Cheri introduced Brad Volkmann who had taken OEC a few years ago and moved away. We are happy to see him back in Missoula!
 - b. Ed Levine was at the meeting. He's a doc from CT looking to transfer in. Not current with OEC.

Joe – this is a big year, new vouchers, season pass, workers comp, TV mountain = lots of change happening!

Adjourned at 7:36 Paul first. Cathy S second.