

**Adirondac Mountain Club**  
**Executive Committee Meeting Jan 19,2012**

**Meeting held at Marianne Heberts house at, 9 spring st in Potsdam at 7:00 pm Jan 19,2012**

**Officers attending :John Barron,Bill Mueller,Betsy Tisdale,Ellie Menz,David Trithart, and Dana Chudzinski**

**Appointed positions attending:Marianne Hebert**

**Approval of minutes of last meeting and agenda**

D. Trithart moved to approve minutes of last meeting and B.Mueller 2nd,passed unanimously

B. Mueller moved to approve agenda and E.Menz 2nd,passed unanimously\_

## **AGENDA ITEMS**

### **1)YEAR END BUDGET FOR 2011**

- E.Menz made 2011 year-end reports available to all to review.Stated chapter ended year with \$600.00 more than it started with.Stated this was due in part to fact that chapter decided not to make some annual contributions till end of year.Proceeded to do a line by line breakdown of all line items.

-J.Barron expressed unexpected surplus was a great delight

-B. Tisdale expressed how great it was that the chapter in running a surplus, unlike when she was a past treasurer for the chapter.Stated this may be due in fact to much larger membership,stating that the membership when she was treasurer was around 200.Stated she believes this ,in part,is due to the wide range of outings,giving a "pat on the back" to trip leaders for stepping up

-J.Barron stated the objective for the year was a balanced budget,but was pleased to find out there was a surplus.Stated how great it was to be fiscally sound.

-B. Tisdale stated part of the chapters money problems in the past was that the club sent the chapters portion of membership dues bi-monthly.Stated that during her term as treasurer the club changed their policy to sending them out monthly, which helped matters greatly.

-J.Barron recommended that this years goals for the budget be close to last years\_

### **2) PROPOSED 2012 BUDGET**

-J Barron went over line items for proposed 2012 budget.Stated most items where proposed to remain at 2011 levels.Stated he did a small amount of "cleaning out" of line items that no longer apply.Added a new line ,flyer expense,to which \$50.00 was added.Question was brought up on where potluck expense was spent.J Barron stated that most was used for milage cost fo incoming speakers.Projected potluck expense was lowered due to fact that spring potluck speaker was local and therefore no mileage expence will be involved.Small amount was added to newsletters to cover projected increase in membership and therefore increased numbers of newsletters.

-B.Mueller asked why the outings need a budget of \$75.00.After discussion, this amount was lowered to \$25.00

-J.Barron stated prizes and awards budget was boosted slightly.Question came up on where to put possible revenue from a gear yard sale.Determined best place is under mis. revenues

-D.Trithart moved to approve 2012 budget,2nd B.Mueller.Passed unanimously\_

### **3)AANR(ADOPT-A-NATURAL RESOURSE) W/DEC**

-J.Barron stated that the DEC would like one person as the "point of contact" for a proposed AANR.Stated J.Omohundro was interested in being that person.Stated that although J.Omohundro would be interested in being the point of contact J.Omohundro has voiced concerns about the chapter entering into a AANR with the d.e.c.Stated the

d.e.c recognizes that it is a big commitment by the chapter to enter into a long term AANR, but would really like to see the chapter to enter into a AANR

-B.Tisdale asked what would be expected of the chapter if it enters into a AANR

-J.Barron stated that the DEC was looking for a "best effort" situation.States minor trailwork and cleanup can be done without a AANR but major projects,such as bridge work,requires a AANR.Stated again that the d.e.c really would like the chapter to have a AANR at this point .Stated that AANS only applies to state land and not private lands.Stated that Lampson Falls is top of the d.e.c's list for perspective AANRprojects.J.Barron recommended Moody Falls be a good choose for a second AANR.Stated the opinion of B.Madore be valuable in deciding about a AANR.

-D.Trithart stated that taking on a AANR would not be different from work the chapter does on Red Sandstone Trail and Stone Valley Trail already.Stated his impression from last meeting, that was attended by d.e.c. rep, was that they would really like to see the chapter obtain a AANR .

-J.Barron voiced concerns that taking on a long term commitment such as a AANR, could stretch the chapter's resources thin

-M.Hebert recommended B.Madore and J.Omohundro read over documentation for a AANR closely before any decision is made

-J Barron stated the DEC. is looking for a 5 year commitment in any AANR.Stated the DEC wants one AANR to cover all areas the chapter decides to take on,if any.Stated he would contact B.Madore and J.Omohundro for more input

## **ROUND TABLE**

**Dana chudzinski:**no report

**Bill Mueller:**

ADK-Laurentian Outings-January 19, 2012

Winter Outings 2012

We have 19 outings scheduled between January 1 and March 11

Includes New Year's Day get-together and 18 winter outings, which in turn include 2 birding ski trips courtesy Eileen Wheeler and Mary Beth Warburton.

So far, I have compiled 2 Backtracks reports for the Spring *Northwind*, one from the Fall quarter and 1 John Barron's Jan 7 beginning cross-country ski trip with a turnout of 11 enthusiastic participants.

Bill Mueller-Outings

**B.Tisdale:**

First indoor/ outdoor is jan 22nd.Copies of the books will be on sale

**M.Hebert**

Report for Jan. 19, 2012

Social Media Coordinator - Marianne Hebert

Facebook Group currently has 18 members

Twitter has 11 Followers, ADK Laurentian is following 8

After the blurb about social networking appeared in the last Chapter E-Newsletter, we had 4-5 new members request to join the Facebook group.

M. Hebert is posting upcoming weekly outings, and news from the Chapter and Club on occasions. She recently received an outing back track and photo

from John Barron for the Higley Ski trip, that she posted to Facebook. More backtracks and photos of outings would make great posts to add to our wall. Anyone can post to the wall, or they can forward content to Marianne for posting.

### **D. Trithart**

-D. Trithart stated the club itself has many great outing that are a good source of fundraising ,including international outings. Stated most fill up. Stated operations at the club have suffered some this year. Stated club suffered due to the fact two of their main moneymakers, JBL and LOJ, suffered decreasing revenues due to hurricane Irene. Stated although club did not lose money this year, revenues where under projected goals. Stated publication revenues where down mainly due to fact that the main source of sale for ADK publications where Borders book store, which is no longer in business. Stated many other fundraisers have done very well this year such as the "black fly" event and the "ididoride". Stated overall revenues where down, but so where expenses

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-outing guidelines are still being worked on

-club concerned about liability issues

-jbl bridge has been replaced

-lots of talk on "fraking"

-any county with "blue line" running through it is a "forest preserve" county and state will lease no such land for sub-surface gas exploration

-new regulations on construction of dams have restricted progress on re-building marcy dam

-new catskill 67 guild book is out

-the fall club outing is going to be sponsored by the cold river chapter in North Creek

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### **E. Menz**

-Ended year \$600.00 to the plus

-decided to wait till end of year for most annual contributions

-most advertising income came from Wear On Earth

-products sales where down slightly

-gave general fund \$100.00 more than last year

-trail maintenance expense down from last year

-most other items hit target

### **J. Barron**

-was asked to send a delegate from chapter to a meeting to discuss mountain biking trails in the Cranberry Lake area

-Jim Aikins was willing to be that person

- was contacted by director of the firetower association asking if the chapter would be willing to help in restoring lyon mt fire tower
- stated J.Omohundro would be willing to take over vice-chair of conservation when P.Oshea's term is up
- stated this leaves chapter in need of someone to take over the Northwind
- Clarkson wellness fair is Feb 22nd
- chapter received a thanks you letter from club for contribution of \$600.00
- stated D.Katz recommended the chapter renews registration of domain name yearly
- chapter has agreed to put on spring outing 2013 and asked for ideas on entertainment
- next meeting march 22nd at B.Muellers house

LAURENTIAN CHAPTER 2012 BUDGET

Approved at 19 January 2012 Executive Committee Meeting

	Budget Yr 2011	Actual Yr 2011	Difference Bud-Act	Budget Yr 2012
<b>INCOME</b>				
Membership Dues	3,500.00	3666.90		3500
Bank Interest	125.00	26.72		50
Sales	250.00	79.34		200
Advertising	200.00	375.00		200
Erie Blvd				
Donations				
Other		710.45		
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>4,075.00</b>	<b>4858.41</b>		<b>3950</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
<b>Newsletter total</b>				
Newsletters & Brochures	580.00	636.19		650
Mailing costs	780.00	710.36		750
<b>OFFICES:</b>				
Chair	75.00	15.00		75
Outings	75.00	0.00		25
Conservation	0.00	0.00		0
Education	50.00	0.00		50

Secretary	0.00	0.00	0
Treasurer	25.00	0.00	25
Publicity	25.00	0.00	25
Membership	90.00	0.00	90
Newsletter Editor	0.00	0.00	0
Programs			
Outdoor-Indoors	55.00	20.00	55
Potlucks	400.00	427.79	300
Director	330.00		330
Hospitality Committee	125.00		125
ADK H.S. Vol. Trail Program	500.00	750.00	500
ADK - Trails program			
ADK - Jamieson Fund			
ADK- Advocacy			
Local Trail Maintenance			
Stone Valley	200.00	0.00	200
Red Sandstone	200.00	33.50	200
Campership	650.00	700.00	650
Laurentian Chapter Membership Flyers			50
Purchases for Resale	185.00		185
Prizes and Awards	160.00	185.47	200
Cooperation with DEC (wilderness access)	250.00		250
EAP-Related Expenses			50
Miscellaneous	50.00	50.00	
<b>Discretionary</b>			
ADK - General fund	500.00	600.00	500
Donation - Friends of Higley Flow State Park	100.00	100.00	100
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>5,405.00</b>	<b>4228.31</b>	<b>5385</b>



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