

Minutes from DPO meeting 3-27-10

Attendees

Tim Kindblade
Sandra Kindblade
Howard Hammel
Linda Schimel
Patrick Fischer
Rita Wallberg
Huguette Boisvert-Kazen
Mark Long
Tish Randolph

Meeting started 10:05am

Organization Reports

Chairperson: Tim reported the recruiting party was more successful than the previous years' party. He credits the Deaf Expo booth with the success because it created more public exposure & awareness of the organization. A separate meeting was held with Mark Long (bike captain), Tim & Linda to discuss the upcoming Seattle to Portland bicycle event. Tim finally received the replacement lights for the defective ones that were purchased last year. D.P.O. has 4 new crewmembers: Huguette as assistant fundraiser to Teresa, Tish Randolph as Kayak captain, Mark Long as Bike captain & Chris Balduc as assistant Bike captain.

Assistant Chair: KatyBeth was not present.

Secretary: No report other than the minutes being read & approved.

Treasurer: Howard reported the checking account balance is presently \$3358.92. Fourteen walkers have paid & signed up for the walking team. The Wine Tasting & Dinner fundraiser brought in a profit of \$1589.90 after expenses were paid. The checkbook has only 30 checks left so more checks will need to be ordered with the new name of Deaf Power Organization.

Committee Reports

Running Captain: Patrick announced that the running team did not make it into the H2C race this year. There are other relay races that the running team could get into easier. Spokane has one that starts at Mt. Spokane and ends at Sand Point. It is about 200 miles & uses the same 12 man team criteria. The relay race also includes in one of its legs admission to the Silverwood Theme Park with that leg requiring a roller coaster ride. It also requires each team to provide 3 volunteers. The team will car pool over on Thursday

evening stay at a motel then begin the relay race Friday morning and ending the race on Saturday with another motel stay, Saturday night then car pool back to Portland Sunday.

Walking Captain: Rita said the walking team is full & paid for plus 2 paid backups. Rita has sent all team members' email addresses to KatyBeth so she can keep them updated on any information & new policies via email.

Bike Captain: Mark Long reported there are many biking events in the Portland area that we could participate in. There is bike training every weekend to prepare for the Seattle to Portland bike ride in July. Six people have signed up & paid for the STP. We will need a volunteer driver & a place to stay in Seattle the night before the event. Chris Balduc has agreed to be the assistant Bike captain. He is going to set up a FaceBook for bicycling information. Five people have signed up for the Reach the Beach bike ride.

Kayak Captain: Tish Randolph reported there is a "Full Moon Kayak Night" event on June 26th. It requires a guide & the event goes from 8pm to 11pm. It starts at the Ross Island Bridge & loops back. It costs \$47, which includes all the rental equipment. The registration deadline is two weeks prior to the event 6-12-10. They might have a discount on large groups registering together.

Post-Party (camp) Chair: Teresa was absent so her assistant Huguette reported for her. There are 6 campsites reserved for the after party of the P2C. Tim thinks 6 might be too many sites since the running team did not make it in the H2C.

Public Relations: KatyBeth temporary acting PR. was absent so Patrick reported for her. The website is a great Public Relation tool to create more awareness of our organization. Patrick showed some slide pictures of teams if previous years of H2C & showed new web design. He wants to post more pictures on the DPOsite along with a picture of the crewmembers on the site. There also is an email address for DPO it is DPOmain@gmail.com

Web Coordinator: No report.

Design Team: Patrick handed out flyers with cost estimates for shirts for the (STS) Spokane to Sandpoint relay race & P2C.

Safety Chair: Rita said everyone must fill out a waiver before each event & training. The waivers need to reflect the new name of DPO on them. Tim said when he used a different email address on the defective lights he finally got results & got the replacement lights.

Fundraiser, Grant, & Donation Chair: Teresa was absent so Huguette reported for her. Many thanks to all the volunteers & help that Teresa got for the Wine tasting fundraiser. She got a refund of \$150. Forty-two people attended. It was a good turnout. She suggests using the George S. email to notify more people of the event next year. For the next year's Wine tasting she will put a warning that no interpreters are provided so everyone will be prepared & know ahead of time. No donations have been received yet but Joe

DeCamp will donate same amount as last year. The Catholic Deaf Community will perhaps donate. Howard expresses concern now that DPO is involved with more events maybe we will need more fundraisers.

Transportation: Tim did reserve vans for 3 events P2C, the Bend Relay (dropped) & the Spokane relay.

Volunteers Coordinator: Howard said so far 5 people have signed up to be volunteers. They need to be confirmed & their names given to the Captain so she can register them with H2C headquarters. P2C knows that we are deaf & will give daylight shifts after the volunteers are confirmed.

Supply Chair: Sandra asked what supplies does the Kayak team or Bike team need? If they let her know she will assemble the supplies i.e. 1st aid kits & etc. Sandra asked Patrick if he got the Palm pilots for the timekeepers? Patrick did get them but one is not compatible with the H2C so he is still working on it.

Old Business

Teresa volunteers to be the new PR but wants to withdraw from the Fundraising Chair first. She is not present; so tabled for now.

New Business

Patrick proposes that the DPO running team sign up for the Spokane Relay Race the fee for each runner would be \$125 each. Sandra 2nd it. Passed. Mark Long proposed that DPO pay for the gas to travel to Seattle & back to Portland \$85. Sandra 2nd it. Passed. Rita proposed a waiver for the STP driver. Patrick 2nd it. Passed. Rita proposed a new registration agreement policy for the team members. Sandra 2nd it. Patrick amended the proposal to have the new policy be standard for all events. Sandra 2nd it Passed. Patrick proposed authority for the PR to update the website without having to wait for a vote each time. Rita 2nd it. Passed. Mark Long proposed a sign up sheet of paper to be filled out before meeting of new proposals to be voted on that meeting. Patrick 2nd it. Passed. Secretary will bring the forms with her to be filled out by whoever wants to make a proposal that meeting.

The next business meeting will be 5-22-10 at 10am same place Patrick's Community room. He will reserve it for us.

Meeting adjourned 1:30pm