BPX COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 15, 2020
Approved September 23, 2020

Zoom Conference Attendees:  John Walters, Steve Wolf, Linda Lawson, Jennie Popovich, Louise Campbell-Blair, Randy Blosser, Cheryl Harmel

Absent:  Linda Taipale, Uwe Sartorio, Mike Holden

Meeting called to Order:  7:03 pm

Chair’s Opening Comments:  John introduced Sandy Heise to committee noting her CMC Press Book, Waterfalls, and her committee work with the Boulder and Gore Range Groups.  Sandy has agreed to join BPX in advisory capacity focused on Trips and publication of a Backpacking Guide, sometime in 2022/2023.

John focused on need to recruit board members or members of task teams.  Linda & John planning to leave committee in April-June2020 timeframe.

Communications:  BPX Annual Report sent to DGC and posted on CMCDenver.org. Annual Report used statistics developed assuming the trips in September and October went out. Annual report may be updated prior to the BPX October Annual Meeting.

Old Business:  Short discussion of whether to have demos at the Birthday Bash, October 17, Saturday. All cmte mbrs asked to attend. Staunton SP has limit of 50 people in pavilion due to CV19.

Topic of having day hikes led by BPX Leaders introduced by Steve.  Although not discussed during meeting, a subsequent communication to BPX Leaders, to be sent by Uwe as TLC, includes suggestion that BPX Leaders schedule day hikes, or climbs, or fishing, or camping at SSP prior to or following the Birthday Bash.

Trip Definition:  Maddie Miller, brought issue to the CMC Leaders Task Force which did not endorse the definition and wanted to word smith the definition.  Maddie subsequently advised that CMC was going to move forward with use of the term and the definition proposed.

TL Development:  John reported two recruiting mailings had gone out: one to one-hundred CMC leaders who only led 1-3 trips during period 2018-2019; one to BKPS grads over the last five years.  Results within first week are one interested party from BKPS grads with whom John is in contact.

New Business:  Survey Results presented by Louise Campbell-Blair.  In general the five survey results (one to leaders who led trips, one to leaders who did not lead trips, one to members who went on trips, one to members who canceled on trips and the general BPX membership) reflect the cmte’s recognized need for: more trips, more trip leaders, more engagement, improved trip roll out process to the members.

Action Items:  No discussion; Updated Action Items were included in the meeting packet.  Note, that with this September meeting a new Action Items document will be issued reflecting any on-going actions needed but not disclosing items completed from the last year.

Committee Function:  No discussion

Membership Function:  At September 1st BPX membership is at 1495.

Treasurer Function:  The budget statement was provided to the DGC Treasurer.  The verbiage implicitly states BPX does not plan to charge section dues until 2022 and will need funds to continue to operate.
**Trip Leader Coordinator Function:** No report received from Uwe Sartori.

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**Research Function:** Louise reported the Research Team will be focusing on learning how other recreational mountain clubs manage their trips, especially those who have a backpacking program.

**Meeting Adjourned:** 7:56 pm

**Next Meeting:** October 13, Zoom call to be arranged by staff

Submitted by Linda Lawson September 19, 2020