

SW Trails Zoom Board Meeting
March 16, 2023
Via Zoom

Attendance:

Board Members: Debbie Small, Don Baack, Laura Campos, Dave Manville, Barbara Stedman, Jason Bergstrom, Lee Buhler

Debbie called the meeting to order at 7:02pm

Agenda: Debbie displayed the agenda. **Lee made a motion to approve the agenda. Barbara seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.**

February 23, 2023 minutes: Don made a motion to move approval of the February 23, minutes to the April meeting. Dave seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously

Treasurer's Report: Lee said we received \$325 of donations and other income in February and \$360 of expenses. The expenses were one business association membership and the yearly fee for the online mapping account. Year-to-date SWTrails unrestricted income as of 2/28/2023 was \$1,026 with expenses of \$425.

Social Media:

--Facebook: we hit the 1200 mark and now have 1203 followers

--Instagram: 919 followers

--Twitter: 126

Remember to send photos of hikes and work parties!

Membership:

Members February 2023

--New Members this month: 3

--Renewing Members this month: 1

--Total Members with 2-year membership: 161

Sponsors February 2023

--New Sponsors this month: 0

--Renewing Sponsors this month: 1

--Total Sponsors with 2-year sponsorship: 47

Donations February 2023

--Memberships: \$30

--Sponsorships: \$200

--Total donations YTD: \$1,106

Dave said the new membership processes are in mostly place.

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Monthly Walks: Dave said Emily led the second Saturday hike in March. It was 6 miles with 17 people joining. It went through the Hoyt Arboritum and went to the Pittcock Mansion. Ben and Sue Denora Lowell will lead the April second Saturday hike It will go through Woods Park.

Debbie said this Saturday's hike was planned by visitor from UK. It is about 5.3 kilometers (3.6 miles). It will start at Wells High School. It will go down to Corbett Ave and back up Himes Park.

There may be a walk at the end of April with Dacia Graybar.

First Saturday Walk/Capitol Hwy Celebration: Debbie said first Saturday in April hike is on. The press release has been posted on SWTrails Facebook page. Debbie has two meetings with PBOT to work on the details.

Work Parties: Dave said there were 12 people at the March work Party. They worked on the segment from Taylors Ferry into Marshall Park. They built a new trail to replace a demand trail. They moved 6 tons of Gravel. There is more gravel to move at the April work party.

Signs: Debbie said that Brian said there was nothing new. He is working with the City to get the replacement signs.

Hillsdale to Lake Oswego Grant: Don said he has ordered the steps and ballords and they should be delived in a few weeks. He added a step on the Rax-Baack crossing. He and Debbie will will walk around with the signage contractor tommorow. PBOT is working on the crosswalk at 17th and Boone's Ferry. The permits have been issued.

Red Electric: Don will meet with Commissioner Mapps staff to talk about the project.

Debbie displayed a hiking and bicycling count list and we discussed it.

Ashcreek Grant: Dave displayed a picture of the steps they have installed at 51st and Taylor's Ferry Road.

Tunnelwood: No change in status.

Beaver Festival 2023: Laura said she and Glenn have been trying to get a hold of the people at Portland Clean Energy Fund about this year's grant.

Tool Library: Jason said PBOT should have the permit by the end of the month.

Advocacy: Don said they are working on the Rose Lane Project. Commissioner Mapp's office is working to get new software for the signal light at Sunset and Capitol. They are going to survey businesses that have been impacted by the change. Don said traffic on side streets has not been impacted in major way. They have not done calculations on any increase of ridership on the bus lines.

Don said there was a neighborhood summit. 60 neighborhoods participate. People were very concerned about Civic Life and PBOT.

Don said SWNI had a meeting and proposed a new organization that expands to community organizations. This would be a change in structure. Don said this would make it easier for us to get insurance. Don said we have three insurance policies: D&O, liability and contrsutons. He said Civic Life has not handled insurance needs well. They did not pay our construction insurance promptly and Don had to pay it on his own. Laura said the key to future funding from the City is the Equity Lense. She suggested SWTrails apply for that funding.

Upcoming Community Events: Debbie will contact Lisa Caballero to have her speak at future SWTrails meeting.

SWTrails SWAG: We discussed the possiblity of ordering more vests or other items such as hats and t-shirts. Debbie talked to Jennifer at Perf-pro. The marketing committee will discuss this further

Community Party: Don said it would be good to have a picnic involving the larger community. It would be similar to the Thanksgiving day walk. Dave said they get a good turnout at the annual Ashcreek Picnic. Dave, Don, Barbara, Debbie and maybe Laura could work on it. Laura suggested combining it with the Beaver Festival.

Policies: Dave said he has created a folder for SWTrails policies. He said it is important to document what we are doing. He will use the new procedure for membership as a start and he described that process.

The next meeting will be April 27.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:29