Winter Meeting February 28, 2015 Manhattan College

Business Meeting Agenda

- 1. Welcome
- 2. Approval of October 18, 2014 Minutes
- 3. Financial Report
- 4. Member Club Approvals
 - a. The Storm King School
- 5. Member Dues Increase Proposal
 - a. Basic Individual Rate from \$30 to \$40 per year
 - b. Basic Family/Joint Rate from \$40 to \$50 per year

The last time the Trail Conference adjusted its membership dues was in 2007. In response to increased costs of living and operations in the New York metro area, the Trail Conference proposes to increase its Basic Individual and Basic Joint membership rates by \$10 each. After this increase, Trail Conference membership dues would still be at or near the bottom of comparable organizations in the region.

- 6. Executive Director Report
- 7. New Business
- 8. Adjournment

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING of the NEW YORK-NEW JERSEY TRAIL CONFERENCE October 18, 2015

- 1. Chris Connolly, Chair, called the meeting to order at 11:35 a.m. at Caputo Community Center, Ossining, New York.
- 2. Minutes. The minutes of the June 1, 2014 Summer Meeting were approved as amended.
- 3. Treasurer's Report. Final total construction cost projections for the Trail Conference Headquarters at the Darlington Schoolhouse remain covered by pledged donations and grants. The actual \$284,000 operating loss as of the beginning of September compares favorably with the budget-anticipated loss. The Trail Conference's net worth (assets minus liabilities) totals \$5,978,000, and the investment portfolio is at \$1,965,000.
- 4. Honorary Life Members. It was moved, seconded and carried unanimously that Ron Rosen and Pete and Jo-Ann Senterman be granted the status of Honorary Life Members of the Trail Conference.
- 5. New Member Organizations. It was moved, seconded and carried unanimously that the applications of the following three organizations to join the Trail Conference be approved: Greenburgh Nature Center; Outdoor Promise; and Trail WhippAss.
- 6. Board of Directors/Delegates-at-Large. No other candidates having been nominated, the following individuals selected by the Nominating Committee were proclaimed to be elected:

Board of Directors - Walter Daniels, Andrew Garrison, Richard Levine, John Magerlein, Beth Ravit, Edward Saiff

Delegates-at-Large - Therese Allen, Susan Barbuto, Norman Blumenstein, Allyn Dodd, Jack Driller, Harvey Fishman, Bob Fuller, Jill Hamell, Pete Heckler, Rob Lehmann, Mark Liss, Alice Luddington-Cantor, Paul Makus, Steven Marano, Margo Moss, Karen Rose, Ruth Rosenthal, Mellonie Sanborn, Frank Schoof, Karl Soehnlein, Douglas Sohn, Nancy Tollefson, Daniel Van Engel, Robert Ward

It was also moved, seconded and carried unanimously that the appointment of Christine DeBoer to fill an unexpired term on the Board of Directors be approved.

- 7. Report of Executive Director. Ed Goodell reported on the Trail Conference's activities in the campaign to oppose applications to develop casinos near parklands in Tuxedo and Woodbury. Extensive discussion ensued on this matter; all who spoke supported the Trail Conference's efforts.
- 8. New Business. Richard Barr asked what the Trail Conference plans to do with respect to making comments on the revised Belleyre development proposal. Ed Goodell responded that the Trail Conference will likely, as in the past, comment on the proposal's trail aspects.
- 9. The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

ATTENDANCE BY VOTING MEMBERS

Richard Barr - Catskill 3500 Club/NY Ramblers Hanna Benesch -Norm Blumenstein - Delegate-at-Large Jim Canfield - IHC Chris Connolly - Board Chair Walt Daniels - Board Member Salley Decker - ADK Mid-Hudson Chapter Jack Driller - Delegate-at-Large Charlotte Fahn - Board Member Jakob Franke - Trail Chair Bob Fuller - Delegate-at-Large Andy Garrison - Trail Chair Jill Hamell - Delegate-at-Large Gary Haugland - Trails Council Chair Dan Hoberman - Board Counsel Jesse Hofer -

Gaylord Holmes - Board Vice-Chair

John Jurasek - Delegate-at-Large Richard Katzive - Board Member Barry Leibowitz - ADK Mohican Chapter Alice Luddington-Cantor - Delegate-at-Large John Mack - Trail Chair Gail Neffinger - Trail Chair George O'Lear - Westchester Trails Association Donald Pachner - Sierra Club Lower Hudson Group George Petty - Delegate-at-Large Frank Schoof - Delegate-at-Large Karen Schoof - Trail Chair Doug Senterman - Trail Chair Doug Sohn - Delegate-at-Large Donald Tripp - Trail Chair Ed Walsh, Sr. - LP North Robert Ward - Delegate-at-Large

Member Organizations for Approval February 28, 2015

The Storm King School Youth Member Organization 314 Mountain Rd Cornwall-on-Hudson, NY 12520 www.sks.org

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