AMC Worcester Chapter
Draft of Minutes: Executive Committee Meeting: January 26th, 2022
To foster the protection, enjoyment and understanding of the outdoors.

THIS MEETING WAS REMOTE VIA NEW CHAPTER ZOOM (SEE BELOW)!

6:30 PM — Meeting called to order & Regular business

In Attendance:

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<th>Michael Morin</th>
<th>Karen Marciniak</th>
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<td>Zenya Molnar</td>
<td>Neil Schutzman</td>
<td>Debi Garlick</td>
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<td>Jon DiRodi</td>
<td>Christine Crepeault</td>
<td>Ingrid Molnar</td>
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<td>Erin Doolittle</td>
<td>Paul Glazebrook</td>
<td>Faith Salter (AMC)</td>
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<td>David Elliot</td>
<td>Joe Massery</td>
<td>Gaurav Dutta</td>
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<td>Mark Ford</td>
<td>Eric Harris</td>
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<td>Stephen Crowe</td>
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- Welcome
- Review working agreements (online etiquette)
- Review/Accept minutes of previous EC Meeting - accepted
- Review of Treasurer’s Report (November/December) - accepted
  - Families did not spend their budget
  - Paddling owes/overspent
  - Jose will create a tab in the spreadsheet so ECOM has access
- Volunteer of the Month from Christine Pignatello
  - December - Emerson Grant for his impressive trail dedication
- Honorable mention:
  - Steph Keimig
  - Vanessa Butler
  - Nate (gear shed)
  - Don Davies
7:00 PM — New business

• Election of Communications Co-Chairs to Executive Committee -Michael

Mark Ford and Nany Cahn

Moved to accept- Dave Elliot
Seconded- Mike Peckar

• Kim Simpson Award
Michael Peckar and Steve Crowe spoke to his tremendous contributions to the New England hiking community, especially conservation
In his memory, especially since he did not want awards or accolades himself, they think a conservation award in his memory/name would be fitting
A committee is in the works in conjunction with the Midstate Committee. The first award may go to Kim’s family
Joe asked what they need from ECOM and what the next steps are.
Dave E suggested making the award like the Appy of the Year award and mentioned other people from other committees and organizations that could be included in the Kim Simpson Award committee like a Worcester GMC committee member and ways to publicize
Mike does not disagree but would like the Worcester Chapter to fund the award
Mike M made a motion for us to vote on the award and the sub committee with a $200 dollar award
Mike P moved Dave E seconded- vote passed
The proposal is a draft- award may take place a trails event at Wachusett
Christine asked if the funds would come from Midstate budget
Mike M suggested it come from the Chair or Annual Meeting budget instead
They decided to use the Chair budget

Moved to accept- Gaurav Dutta
Seconded- Paul Glazebrook

• 2022 Wilderness First Aid and CPR Training from Paul Glazebrook referred us to
Colby Meehan’s email from 1/12
Hybrid model for $65 plus food and lodging
Online training with a one day in person training in a few locations
Boston and Nobleview are the closest, nothing in Central Mass this year
There will be June and July options for the same training as last year in the Berkshires
Paul will contact those folks that are in need of certification or due for recertification
Paul asked us to consider compensating people who choose the hybrid option and have to travel 2 plus hours for the in person component up to $100 just this year and to revisit this next year
Applies to fully active leaders (ECOM members are considered active leaders) and leaders in training and Midstate Trail leaders, anyone else will be on a case by case basis

Paul Glazebrook made the motion
Mike Peckar seconded
Discussion
Faith asked us to think about how we frame the question and the importance of training leaders who lead
Neil S is concerned about the expense
Paul clarified that the hybrid is less expenses
Zenyia asked for more specific info to share with 20s and 30s
Paul will provide and is sharing Colby’s email with ECOM
Faith shared that the online portion is extensive and time consuming
Proof of payment and certification completion will be required for the reimbursement
Funding from Paul’s budget for AMC and Mike P’s budget for Midstate

Mike Morin motioned to amend
Neil Schultzman moved to approve
Mike Peckar seconded
Passed
Return to main motion
No further discussion
Mike moved the vote again
Passed
• TrailsFest 2022 Kickoff
  This year- do we want a large event or smaller one like last year due to COVID uncertainties?
  Mike M suggested we follow last year’s model
  Gaurav is up for the challenge and cautious about COVID
  The last large in person event was in 2019
  Activity chairs were involved in the planning
  Zenya will share who was on the last committee with Mike M and Gaurav
  Steve suggested a February meeting to plan.
  Faith added a past planning folder to sharepoint.

Added to agenda a start of meeting:

  ● Reserves Project (Christine P)
    COVID impacting the grant application process
    There are funds available
    She shared a list of AMC prospective recipients through email
    She’d like the Endowment Committee to review club projects as alternatives
    January 31st deadline to apply
    As a non profit, the aim is not to sit on money
    No formal motion requested at this time. She was looking for feedback before the Endowment Committee meeting

  ● Head count for Dave for logo swag
    Hands were held and Dave wrote them down

  ● Faith- Update on the Mohawk Hudson Chapter and COVID impact following the death of their chair
    They recommended they dissolve their chapter when they could not find another Chair and it was approved by AMC
    Qualified leaders who are interested will be encouraged to re affiliate with other chapters

8:15 PM — Old business
• Planning Meeting Recap - Michael was unable to go in to great detail but mentioned that he’ll be bringing up this years goals in future meetings

Leadership appreciation committee- should we add a non voting person to ECOM to chair this?
The thought is to revive a former practice of recognizing leaders for their accomplishments.
Zeny, Ingrid and Alex volunteered to be a part of the committee. Alex is willing to chair the committee unless there is someone else interested.
Tabled to the next meeting.

• Action Item Review:

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<td>Check on Gaurav’s access to sharepoint and re invite in necessary</td>
<td>Faith/Mike/Kim</td>
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<td>Zenya provide Gaurav a list of the former trailfest planning committee members</td>
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8:20 PM — Kudos/General Announcements
Joe- 4/9 Backpacking Workshop scheduled and reach out if interested in NH 48 4Ks Celebration
Steve- Kudos to Emerson Grant
Dave Elliot- thanks for showing up ECOM members, skiing outing was a success
Debi- winter hiking program continues! Large groups, progressing hikers and great success
Jon- Conservation Committee meeting next Thursday, will update us on the challenge
Mike P- Ed Faron’s end of the year report on midstate work
  30 active maintainers
  165 times event totalling over 359 hours of work
  9 new maintainers in 2021
Paul- excellent Monadnock intro hike, look for his wifa email that he shared
Vanessa- thanks for New Years event participation, email her if you need the banners or
tablecloths for your next event
Jose- thanks for ontime reimbursement requests
Alex- reminds us about the GWLT challenge
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1G6jCWxhfgV6ZYuhjCtCrCw9zr6VEk-XS9WfxEhNz8U/
Ingrid- Thanks New Years event participants for planning and leading
Zenya- thanks to Vanessa and Debi for New Year’s event

8:30 PM — Adjourn

EC Calendar 2022
Online calendar:
https://appalachianmountainclub.sharepoint.com/sites/Volunteers/WorcesterChapter/Lists/Worcester%20Calendar/calendar.aspx

**Date Day Meeting**
- December 1, 2021 Wednesday EC Meeting
- January 9, 2022 EC Planning Meeting
- January 22, 2022 AMC Annual Summit, Virtual
- January 26, 2022 EC Meeting
- February 23, 2022 EC Meeting
- March 30, 2022 EC Meeting
- April 27, 2022 EC Meeting
- May ?, 2022 AMC Chapters Retreat, Virtual
- May 25, 2022 EC Meeting
- June 29, 2022 EC Meeting
  - *Summer Break*
- September 28, 2022 EC Meeting
- October 26, 2022 EC Meeting
November ?, 2022 Annual Meeting

Fall 2022 Worcester Chapter Fall Gathering

AMC Worcester is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

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