

Garden State Ski Club, Inc.
Zoom Membership Meeting,
August 18, 2020

Meeting Called to order: 7:07

PRESIDENT – Dennis Young

Welcome to all. Lou Mortaro taken ill and hospitalized. He was working on several events but may need to enlist some assistance. Club held its Board of Director's meeting on August 12th. Topics of discussion included: Membership renewal letters, Covid-19 waivers, budget to be presented and voted on in September. A quorum will be required for the vote. We changed budget to new format that is tied to P&L statement. Club doing well. Discussed blankets that Michele is working on. Next Board meeting will be September 15th. or 16th. Anyone with issues for the board to review should talk to me or Michele.

SKI VP REPORT – Ron Levine

Adrienne will discuss her trip to Vail. Ski Council has a couple of Eastern trips (Sunday River and Mt. Tremblant) and hopefully bus trips will open up. Looking for other opportunities

- Council running trip to Tremblant, Feb. 7-12. Border is now closed until 21st. of September. Possible it will be open by February when trip is scheduled. Will be touch and go
- Sunday River scheduled for March 7-12. Dennis representing council. Prices run \$535 for non-senior—a week of skiing. It is a long drive.

Adrienne Geffen: Planning Vail, January, 23-30. Originally put on flyer that if there was no approval by mid-October I was going to cancel. Lot of interest but very few people have sent money in. Sending email and asking if I should just run the trip and if we can't go, we'll seek reimbursement. Vail is on Epic pass, runs about \$100 per day. Great mountain, Evergreen lodge is central and in village. Great ski destination. Trip is \$2125 for members and an extra \$60 for non-members. Hope that all will be fine. Nonstop flight from Newark to Eagle Vail that is close to the resort. Group ski price is 50% more than the Epic pass. Its refundable if the mountain closes.

SOCIAL REPORT – Dennis Young for Lou Mortaro

- Tuesday is the next Shannon Rose Car Hop. Third event. Park in a spot, order by phone, pay by credit card. Take a chair. Easy to Social Distance. If you're walking around, please wear your mask so they are abiding with state guidelines. They can accommodate 30 cars. We have five now. Contact Dennis if interested.
- Beach Party is off last we heard.
- Still running Sky Top and hopefully Lou will be ready to go
- West Point event has been cancelled. Those checks will be shredded.
- Lou is looking for help with Snow Ball or Halloween. Contact him if interested in helping.

Lauren Grani-Hrablook raised two-fold concern: Trips being planned and some of states are quarantine states. Also, if, trips are cancelled, they should guarantee full refunds. Ron explained strategy: If

cancelled 90 days before trip, we get a full refund. Clause exists in contracts. Also mentioned there should be lots of skiing in the Northeast.

LODGE VP REPORT – Ray Owens

Not a lot to report. Can't get up there. Vermont still requires 14 day quarantine or seven day with negative test.

- Committee looking at plans to open house. Don't have a definite plan but have two in the works and Committee will have to vote on which one to pursue. Not optimistic about the ski areas. Heard information that lodges are coming out with plan where lodges may be closed. Doesn't sound super enjoyable in Vermont right now. Have to be not as pessimistic as I just sounded

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY – Kevin Kennedy

- Membership renewal letters have been sent. Please sign the new Covid-19 waiver and return with your payment. If desired, Paypal is available for membership dues. If paying by Paypal, members still need to sign and return waiver. There's a link on lifeline with information on where to go to pay that way.
- Quorum existed with 34 in attendance. Vote taken on approval of minutes from July 21 meeting. All approved. Minutes accepted.

TREASURER REPORT – Gary Ehrich

Gary reported that we have \$75,452, \$5,997 in Sky Top deposits and a net of \$69,455 net.

JUNIOR DELEGATE – Michele Bondurant

- Blankets, red, grey, navy are \$30 fleece throws. Sale will generate dollars to fund the condolence blankets that we will be doing when a club member passes. Will send the first one to Jim Fitzpatrick. That blanket will be sent out in the next week or two to the family. ARC has purchased blankets and is doing embroidery. Nice plush soft blanket 'In loving memory'. Will look to include letter with Board member signatures, even if electronic. Will have red and grey throws at carhop next week. Navy is not ready.
- Suggestion from Micki Goldberger Levine that we include a reference to the number of years a member participated in the club rather than the birth and passing dates.

SUNSHINE AND RAINY DAYS – Marie Rivara

- Card went out to family of Jim Fitzpatrick.
- Get well card will go out to Lou Mortaro

Maywood Inn added 20 x 70 outdoor tent. Looking to do something there in September.

No Old Business; No New Business

Meeting adjourned 7:38.

Notes provided by Executive Secretary Kevin Kennedy