

BINGHAMTON CHAPTER OF THE ADK
Minutes for August 11, 2009

The General Meeting was called to order at 7 PM with Chair Gary Vanderbles presiding.

Chair – Gary Vanderbles put several proposals to the membership in attendance.

Below is a synopsis of those proposals:

1. The Newsletter will be published at the end of January, April, July and October each year in order to put out the schedule of events ahead of each season..
2. The meetings in December, March, June (a picnic) and September will be planning meetings. These will be business meetings run by the Outings and Program chairs.
3. The meetings in January, April, and October will be meetings dedicated to demonstration. There will be no meeting in July.
4. The meetings in February, May, August (a picnic) and November will be devoted to presentations.
5. Creation of a Chapter calendar template. This template will be on the website and in the Newsletter. John Case volunteered to create the template.
6. Creation of a Chapter administrative list-serve. This would include the master membership list and the beta version of the website among other things.
7. Creation of a Membership committee. Ken Jackson is currently the Membership chair. Gary Vanderbles and Donna Cole volunteered to serve on the committee.
8. Creation of an equipment policy. Mark Epstein volunteered to write up a policy; Pat Connors volunteered to store any equipment purchased by the Chapter.
9. Obtain a USPS mailbox for the Chapter. The membership decided against this proposal.

Vice Chair – No report

Treasurer – Mark Epstein reported that our Chapter balance is \$1,506. Mark made a motion that the Chapter donate \$100 back to the Club. The motion passed.

Director – No report

Outings Chair – John Lynch will send pdf files to anyone planning to lead a hike. This will provide the trip leader with the necessary release forms and hiking guidelines.

Programs Chair – No report

Conservation Chair – No report

Membership & Communications Chair – No report

New Business – None

Ongoing Business – None

The next meeting will be on Tuesday **September 15, 2009** at Gander Mountain on Harry L. Drive in Johnson City. The **General Meeting** will begin at **7:00**.

Submitted By:

Elaine Gregory, Secretary