

Saskatoon Canoe Club

Call to order

A meeting of the Saskatoon Canoe Club was held by Google Meet Video Conference on August 16, 2021. Called to order by President Franny Rawlyk at 1919hrs.

Attendees

President: Franny Rawlyk

Secretary: Lori Mack

Treasurer: Lauren Erickson

Recreation Director: Eithan Pillipow

Equipment Manager-Kayak: Peter Beug

Social Director: Tiina Liiving

Member-at-Large: Shannon Klatt

Member-at-Large: Kathleen Weary

Members not In attendance

Member-at-Large: Daryl Sexsmith

Membership Director: Nicole Graham

Equipment Manager-Canoe: John McClean

Marathon Director: Edith MacHattie

Member-at-Large: Trevor Robinson

Member-at-Large: Richard Rance

Approval of minutes

Motion: To approve the Minutes of July 19, 2021 SCC meeting.

Moved: ShannonSeconded: LaurenUnanimous approval

Resolved: Minutes approved.

Reports

President: Franny

Staff: All staff, except Lauren are able to continue to work into the fall with reduced hours of operation.

Boat House Supervisors will begin to work on their year-end staff report.

Franny would like to take the staff out for dinner for a wind up this fall.

• Motion: To approve the budget of up to \$200 for staff wind up dinner.

Moved: FrannySeconded: ShannonUnanimous approval

Resolved: Motion approved.

Treasurer: Lauren

Admin: \$26,954.53

Marathon: \$34,658.69

Recreation: \$76,579.77

CKS: \$11,300.00

Self-Insurance: \$50,000.00

Accounts Receivable: -\$1,000.00

Total: \$198,492.99

Instruction totals:

1) Kayak lessons: \$8,443.00

2) Canoe lessons: \$4,725.00

It would be valuable to have an InReach emergency communication device for use during club trips.

• Motion: To approve the budget of up to \$1000.00 to purchase an InReach Device and subscription plan for the year.

Moved: KathleenSeconded: FrannyUnanimous approval

Resolved: Motion approved.

Lauren would like to host a "Glow Paddle" in the dark. All agree this would be a unique and fun event for members. She will go ahead and organize this.

We have received a request for a refund from a member who was unable to use their membership due to medical illness. All agree we should issue a refund.

Membership Director: Nicole

No report submitted.

There are 1389 members, 1101 Recreation members, 19 Marathon, 51 Dual, and 217 children.

Kathleen has been thinking that it would be nice to have a supervised outreach program for inner city youth to give them the opportunity to paddle. All agree this would be a great idea and we should work on this during the winter so we can offer this in the upcoming season.

Action: Kathleen will look into logistics like waivers and such.

Recreation Director: Eithan

There are a few upcoming trips, Anglin Lake Kayak Clinic Aug 21-22, Kingsmere Lake Aug 27-29 (full), Outlook to Saskatoon Aug 27-29.

There may also be a trip Sept 18 from the Petrofka Bridge to Camp Shekinah. This would be in conjunction with a fund raiser event for the retreat centre called Move-A-Thon.

We've had 102 participants in our Canoe/Kayak Clinics!

Equipment Manager-Kayak: Peter

Peter conducted an inventory of repairs. There a few outstanding repairs that need attending to pending materials and time, but most repairs have been completed.

The Delta 17 has a leaky hatch and bulkheads, please note that this kayak should not go out on trips especially the Kingsmere trip until repaired.

Equipment Manager-Canoe: John

John purchased a 4-door, 2-column set of lockers for the staff to put their belongings in at the boathouse. The lockers are second-hand but in great shape. The price was \$225. He also bought a couple of locking aluminum storage boxes to hold tools and supplies on the mezzanine shelf. Lauren bought a small cordless drill/driver set and some small-parts organizer boxes.

We hired Claire Miller to teach an intro canoe clinic at Erindale Lake for the blind paddling group on July 26th and 28th. The clinic was well-received by the participants. The most interesting challenge was a pipe and drum band that showed up to practice in the park at the same time as our first session!

We had the first blind group paddle on the river Aug. 2nd with 4 people, cancelled the Aug. 9th session due to a shortage of experienced guides, and have 8 people signed up for tonight's session.

There were two media stories about the new Saskatoon RCMP patrol boat that included mention of our club. John was interviewed by both The StarPhoenix and CBC.

Marathon Director: Edith

Group paddle attendance is low. A large portion of our core membership is in a higher age bracket and although still paddling, they are not coming out to group paddles as much. I am considering some recruitment ideas for next year and welcome constructive input.

The July races went really well. There were racers from Ontario, Manitoba and Alberta who attended. Lots of fantastic volunteers! Financially we almost broke even.

Edith plans to host the annual Rec & Rookie Race on Sunday, September 12. This series of short fun races is open to all paddlers of any discipline and any age. It's highly encouraged for any Rec paddlers to join and if you could help spread the word that would be great! Newer paddlers will be paired with veteran paddlers as we try to keep the boats fairly equal, and it's all about FUN. Typically, races will be in the morning and participants would be done by early afternoon. Details and a race poster will come out soon.

Social Director: Tiina

We are hoping Trip Tales will go ahead this year, but we will continue to follow local public health guidelines.

CKS Update: Kathleen

Voting at CKS AGM will be by club with each club getting a certain number of votes depending on size of membership. Details are being worked out. This is to prevent proxy voting.

Other Business: Eithan

Eithan would like us to consider term positions for board members. This would bring new ideas and energy to the board. Recruitment is one limiting factor to this idea as in the past we have had difficulty attracting new board members. It is hoped that we can brainstorm some ideas to recruit new members. One idea is to highlight a board member and their duties with hopes of making the board structure and current board members more visible to attract new members. Perhaps as Covid restrictions lift we can host some meet the board nights like we have had in the past.

Action: Franny will speak to staff about which social media platforms would be most attractive to highlight a board member position.

Announcements

Next SCC meeting will be held October 5, 2021 at 1900hrs venue to be determined.

Adjourned

Meeting adjourned at 2020hrs by president Franny.

Minutes respectfully submitted by, Lori Mack

Date of approval

Secretary

October 5, 2021