

**Minutes of the June 3, 2015 Meeting of the Executive Committee of the  
Glens Falls-Saratoga Chapter of Adirondack Mountain Club, Inc., held at Saratoga  
Springs, New York, in the Civalier Conference Room of the Wesley Health Center**

**Present:** Jacki Bave, John Caffry, Maureen Coutant, Pat Desbiens, Laura Fiske, Sarah King, Linda Ranado, Wayne Richter, George Sammons, and Jim Schneider. Also present: Kathi Noble, Aimee Rutledge, and Anne Paolano.

**Chapter Chair Laura Fiske** opened the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

**The minutes** of the May 6, 2015 meeting were approved unanimously on a motion by Wayne Richter, seconded by Linda Ranado.

**Laura Fiske** presented the May **Treasurer's Report** in the absence of Treasurer Steve Mackey. The report was approved unanimously on a motion by Pat Desbiens, seconded by Linda Ranado.

**Annual Dinner Coordinator Anne Paolano** reported that she had discussed menu options with the Great Escape Lodge. The Committee discussed this and settled on three meat choices and one vegetarian choice. Whether or not to pay for appetizers will be decided at a later date. It was agreed that the Chapter will pay for dinner for the two filmmakers who will be presenting the program, but that if their parents come, they will have to pay for their own dinners. The Committee then viewed the trailer for their movie, "The 46ers".

Laura discussed the **Nominating Committee** situation – there was nothing new to report, but the slate needs to be published in the August newsletter.

Laura also reported that the Club is looking for donations of **chapter baskets** for the President's Dinner in October, because it is no longer holding the Black Fly Affair, at which such baskets were previously donated. Various Committee members agreed to pick up items from our region for this purpose.

[Aimee Rutledge departed at this time.]

**Membership Chair Pat Desbiens** reported that for March and April there was a total of minus 13 net members. She worked the EMS Club Days event and signed up 5 new members.

**Firetower Challenge Correspondent Kathi Noble** asked whether it was necessary to report the list of completers to the Club. Jim Schneider said that it was not. The Committee also confirmed that the price for the Winter FTC rocker patches should be \$3.00. Kathi reported that since January there had been 20 completers, including 6 Winter FTC completers.

**Education Chair Linda Ranado** reported that she presented a program at the Moreau Lake State Park conservation day.

**Outings Chair Wayne Richter** said that there was a good schedule of outings appearing in the upcoming newsletter, and reported that the process for inputting outings was going well.

**Maureen Coutant** reported that she has not heard from the potential new newsletter person, so her status was uncertain. Laura said that she will follow up. Mo and George Sammons said that in the meantime they will continue producing the newsletter. Jim Schneider will assist.

**Programs Chair Sarah King** reported that the most recent program, on big cats of the Adirondacks, by Paul Jensen, was very successful, with over 100 people in attendance. The fall schedule is all set.

**Conservation Chair Jacki Bave** announced that she will be resigning and that Aimee Rutledge has been appointed as the new Chair. Jacki will continue to be a member of the Club Conservation Committee, but this will be her last meeting as a member of the Chapter Executive Committee. [Secretary's note: Jacki has been a member of the Executive Committee for about 30 years.]

In the absence of Tom Ellis, Jacki made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Linda, and approved unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John Caffry, Secretary

**Next meeting – September 2, 7:00, at Carl R's in Queensbury.**