

Minutes AGM 2020 – January 13th, 2020

- **Welcome & Call to Order** - Bill welcomed all members to the meeting
- **Introduction of Executive**
 - Thank you to Elfrieda who does lots beyond the budget and the website.
 - Thank you to all volunteers who make the club function.
 - Charles Laliberte emailed to say thanks to the climbing coordinators and all experienced climbers who help; this shows the spirit of the club.
 - Welcome to all new members to the executive, Tian is new member responsible for the website (replacing Damien who resigned), no elections this year.
- **Approval of Agenda**- Nicole to accept, Calvin to second, no opposition
- **Approval of 2018 AGM Minutes** – Darrel to accept, Lynn to second, no opposition
- **Chair's Update** - *Annual highlights; National report/highlights (Bill)*
 - Membership : usually around 500 members – The student outdoor club agreement was started by national to help introduce potential new members, We have entered into a SOC with U of Ottawa
 - ACC national : have reached out and offered national membership to MEC employees (they would be required to pay fees to join a local section). We have been asking for courses and events to be held in the East, not just in the West.
 - Leadership : grateful to leaders for all the variety of activities, and highlighting the importance of reaching out to beginners when they join activities
 - NCC collaboration: We are working with other local groups and the NCC to help with trails management in Gatineau park, our goal is to preserve the back country feel of the park experience on the unofficial trails that will soon be an official part of the network
 - Partnerships : Dacre Heights is a new area open for backcountry skiing and snowshoeing, and members of the section are helping to develop this area.
 - Archives : Cole Anderson has taken on the archiving role for the club.
 - Challenges : getting trip leaders to run trips remains a constant challenge. Safety needs to be at the forefront of all of our trips.
- **Activities Summary**: *Presented by Stefan*
 - Hiking : we have had lots of activities both near and far with key events being Hikapalooza and Winterpalooza and the fall hiking camp in the Catskills
 - Ice and rock : we have had lots of local trips and a few further ones. The club is grateful to Charles who allows members to be introduced to new sports and learn the needed skills. Rockfest is the biggest climbing event.
 - overall there has been almost one activity per week in the past year (always looking for more climbing days and more challenging hikes)
- **Treasurer's Report** : *Presented by Elfrieda*

- We have extra money that was not spent. We have money for training and gear as needed.
- Proposed budget : includes budget for new website development, this is needed to support the e-letter but also to be a better tool to draw in new members; rough estimate of \$3000.
- 2020 Budget : Calvin to second, all in favour

- **Adjournment**