

Dusty Mile Outfitters, Spruce Woods / Glenboro, Manitoba

Members present: Carol Fulford, Betty Berg, Betty Stewart, Mary Pearce, Darlene Vickers, Darlene Yurchuk, Sheila Taylor, Diane Harrington, Helena Neustater, Barb Ksiazek, Sandy Robinson, Annette Beatty, Kathy Cameron. Due to other commitments some members had to leave on Sat. evening following the day spent at the Retreat with Brenda Hewlko – Transition Coach.

1.0 CALL TO ORDER:

Carol called the meeting to order at 9:30 following coffee and breakfast snacks. A moment of silence was observed, remembering those who we have lost and are not well at this time.

1.1 Betty Stewart was appointed Secretary for the meeting as Rosemarie was unable to attend.

1.2 APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Discussion of Team remaining as a Registered Charity to be moved to follow the Treasurer's Report.

Agenda approved as changed. Moved by: Helena and Seconded by: Sandy. CARRIED

2.0 APPROVAL OF SPRING MEETING MINUTES: APRIL, MAY 1, 2010

Unavailable

3.0 TREASURER'S REPORT

Financial statements (Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual and Balance Sheet as of: Oct. 14, 2010) were passed out by Betty Berg. As of Oct. 14, 2010: Crocus Credit Union – chequing: 5,808.63 while the Savings account: 20,828.93.

MOTION: Moved by Betty Berg to approve the distributed Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss Budget vs Actual, as of Oct. 14, 2010, Seconded by Sandy Robinson; Motion CARRIED.

The following are outstanding bills:

Website	\$462.95
Postage	3.16
Peterborough video	30.25
Aint Just Stitching	36.20
Irv. W. Spotter mileage	376.20
Ron K. mileage	273.60
Ron K. (trailer light repair)	2.98
Uncashed cheque	14.52
CBCN	25.00
Brenda Hewelko –Facilitator	375.00 + mileage
Dusty Mile Outfitters	475.00

Other bills will be for Christmas Party expenses and Mileage for Directors attending Board meetings.

Betty Berg requested permission to cancel the present Credit Card as it is no longer needed. MOTION: By Betty Berg: that we cancel the present Credit Card, seconded by Darlene Vickers. Motion CARRIED.

CHARITABLE STATUS: This was discussed yesterday afternoon with pros and cons and excellent information presented by Darlene Vickers. If we are not going for a charitable donations citation then we should begin the process of deregistering now. WE DO NEED A MANAGER FOR THE NEXT TERM. Questions asked: does it cost us anything, is there more paperwork having the designation, for future requests for grants and funding do we need to have a charitable number? We still have to write receipts for any monies given whether we are a charitable organization or not-for-profit. WE do need to check with some of the following re: their policy for giving "money": Cancer Care, Bank of Nova Scotia, Lions Club, Kiwanis, Brandon Renewal Organization, Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation, etc.

How will it affect our income is the question?

MOTION BY: Darlene Vickers moved that the Registered Charity Status be tabled until an investigation can be done. Seconded by Betty Berg. CARRIED

The question will be presented to organizations / businesses that have given us money in the past: "do we need charity status to apply for a grant". This will be done by Betty Stewart, Mary Pearce, Darlene Vickers and Sandy Robinson, results compiled by Betty Stewart by the end of November and reported to the Board.

4.0 NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT: by Sheila Taylor and Darlene Vickers

The following slate of officers was presented:

MANAGER:

ASSISTANT MANAGER: SANDY ROBINSON

TREASURER: MICHELLE GIRRARD

SECRETARY: BETTY STEWART (for a nine month term)

KATHY CAMERON OFFERED TO SHARE THE SECRETARY POSITION WITH BETTY STEWART.

The following suggestions from the Nominating Committee were presented to the members:

1. We have a smaller board. The following would be combined with only one member of the group having to attend board meetings:
 - a) Equipment: to include boat, paddles and life jackets, and team attire
 - b) Team Spirit and Support: to include social, newsletter, visiting/card/flowers, manuals / team profiles, memberships, scrapbooking

c) P.R. Outreach: to include website, presentations and displays, Promo material, Display board, team history album, Run for the Cure, Healthy Choices / Healthy Women, Relay for Life. Chuck a Puck would be moved to Fundraising.

d) Fundraising (would now include Fashion Show, Garage Sale and Chuck-a-Puck).

e) Festivals / Demos / Parades: team captain(s) could come under this section.

We would still have the different committees within the group but they would report to one person and only that person would have to attend the Board Meetings. It would still involve people but alleviate some of the pressure of attending extra meetings. This would make a board comprised of 5 Directors and 4 Executive with a quorum of 5. There would be plenty for the rest of us to do but we would be reporting to a board member instead of having to attend the board meetings.

Reports would be emailed to the Secretary prior to the meeting who would then be able to send them to the Board members for prior reading and thus making the meetings shorter.

Teleconferencing was also explored.

2. We would like to propose that the manager and assistant Managers' position be a one year term each with a new position of past manager being added. This would allow the turnover of the executive to be on alternate years and would aid to a smoother transition. This motion could be made at the AGM in Feb. 2011 and implemented immediately.

Where do we go next in obtaining a Manager for 2011? This was discussed and it was suggested that a general email be sent to everyone, followed by a telephone call.

Betty Berg graciously agreed to Chair the Spring Fashion Show on April 28, 2011.
Thank you!

5.0 LOGGING SHEETS

Specific questions were answered re: keeping a record of time spent on various Waves of Hope activities such as: Peterborough Festival – 76 hours. This is for our own use and will indicate our time spent on various activities.

6.0 ACTION PLAN

The Sportsplex has been tentatively booked by Annette. Discussion took place re: starting time for Dry Land Training and it was decided that we would start on March 1, 2011. Everyone is still encouraged to keep up a variety of personal activities to maintain good physical conditioning.

Regarding the Action Plan it was decided that Training in Vancouver (possibly in April 2011 as the date has not been announced at the present time) be available for the new coach as we have a Travel Credit of approximately \$385.00. We would have to pay for airfare and room for two days at least.

Kathy Cameron will send a letter of concern to MPA regarding events of the Brandon Festival. The letter has been circulated to the members for feed-back and now will be finalized.

A “Come ‘N Try” event will be advertised through posters for our Dry Land Training time in March at the Sportsplex.

Some activities such as: Link to Pink, Travellers Day Parade and CCS Relay for Life will be removed from the Action Plan. What has been accomplished was reviewed. The action plan assists in budget planning.

We must let the Team Captains know if we are not coming to practice. This assists in planning for positions in the boat. We need to have a plan for recruitment of new members. This was tabled under: Recruitment.

Sheila Taylor was asked to reserve a date in late March at Central Church for the Garage Sale. We will need a convener (s) for this fund-raising event. This event, the Fashion Show and Chuck-a-Puck would be our fund raisers for the year.

7.0 Carol thanked everyone for coming. Sheila expressed our thanks to Carol for all her work in organizing the Retreat and Fall Meeting. It was an enjoyable and learning experience for everyone.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 by Betty Stewart.

Respectfully submitted by:

Betty Stewart
Acting Secretary

Carol Fulford
Manager