

ESAC BOD MEETING

Wednesday, March 21st 6pm-9pm

Swall Meadows

Present: Howie, Nate, Forrest, Bob, Allan, Scott, SP, Sue

- Treasurer's Report
 - Little change in activity
 - \$772.26 added today from Paypal
 - $\$13,029.87 + \$772.26 = \$13,802.13$
 - \$20 needed to reimburse Sue for WMRS
 - Taxes will be in by April 16- SP
 - Greg Dallas should be sending money soon?
- Membership Report
 - New memberships slow
 - 40 new or re-up, much less than last year
 - Should send email newsletter to past and current members to summarize problems with listserv and other issues that made the season's membership, thank people for support, prepare them to sign up next season.
 - PayPal
- Other Director's Check-In
 - Nate talked to Mike. All paperwork is in for position and it should finally be all set for an April 2 pay period. Expectation is that Sue would work at least 4 weeks.
 - Kaj Allen from Crested Butte Avy Center, possible assistant?
 - Need to finish Challenge Cautionary agreements
 - Need to put final MOU together- Bob will do this
 - Nate will submit the MOU to Mike, then he said he will take care of it. Nate will make a big deal of it and make sure that we can all meet with John R and Mike for the signing of the document.
 - Allan had a conversation with John R and Mike. He reiterated that we want to meet with them formally and make a big deal of the new partnership.
 - Allan suggests public promotion campaign for our new USFS partnership
- Collection Agreement
 - SP will make edits and send in
- Comments from Sue
 - She is having trouble being efficient working with the FS.
 - Office productivity- Environment is distracting. Looking for a new possible office
 - 6 month appointment issue
 - Wants a position upgrade to GS-9
 - needs an assistant, suggests ESAC to hire someone separate from the FS
 - FS employees cannot get paid to fundraise, so need to be careful
 - Sue will send Doug Abromeit's email to the board
 - Board in agreement that Sue should not take on fundraising directly

- Season-End Report – should be easier this year
- PPT presentations: developing 6 educational presentations
- She has ~40 snowpits that should be drafted and archived at some point
- Wants video capability for next year if possible

Sue's Springtime Responsibilities, in order of priority

- Advisories
 - Season-End Report
 - PowerPoint Development
 - Outreach
 - Forecast Guidelines
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 - It is important to have Sue continue developing this as an ESAC Forecaster's Manual. This helps describe the forecasting process that has been working so far on the Eastside, and identifies the important considerations for forecasting in this venue.
 - Sue will take Bob's work and the Boards comments and continue to work on this
 - Website Input
 - Links
 - Discussion Board not being used, probably because of the season
 - Fundraising
 - Dori Leyen- wants to help with fundraising, Forrest will talk to her
 - Scott can work on getting shirts and other merchandise sold for ESAC at MMSA
 - Beacon Basins
 - Repair and upgrade
 - Need to get the box from FS. Can store it at the FS office.
 - Mammoth will store the one up there for the summer
 - MMSA electricians will upgrade system for next year

Next meeting target date Monday, May 21, for a full day retreat.