

1) Treasurer's Report

- a) Balance January 2012: \$1821.82
- b) The rolling income over expenses over the last 12 months is in the black of \$664.80
- c) Even though our balance of over \$1800 looks good, remember that we had a bill upcoming to the AVA for the 4th Quarter participation fees of almost \$250.00 due.
- d) Memberships  
1st half of 2012 renewals will be mailed shortly along with the 2012 Club General brochure that contains all of our 2012 walks along with some new informational material, such as the new trail rating system explanation in use by the AVA.

2) Old Business

- a) Andrew will send one last email reminder that completed 2011 VCWP Incentive (Reward) Books are due to Betty now. Betty asked that if anyone has any different ideas for the 2012 Incentive Book Reward (different from a 2012 star pin) to please make suggestions.
- b) The VCWP 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee has not had any meetings yet. Brenda or Betty will contact Donna to see what is planned for meetings. Mike Green suggested that committee meetings could be held before or after group walks that are not regular club meeting days.
- c) At a previous meeting Nancy encouraged all members to have a club sweatshirt (their choice of black, gray or gold) with the club patch. Brenda Presnal & Betty Green mentioned that the current patch is oversized. They suggested that a smaller version would be more comfortable and possibly more appealing to club members to wear. Betty will see how much a "batch" of smaller patches would cost.
- d) Andrew handed out some preliminary VCWP 2012 all YREs brochures. He asked if anyone had ideas for the few blank pages at the end.
- e) Mike distributed a spreadsheet to all Event- POCs outlining when various deadlines are due at a previous meeting. Andrew may remind the POC for traditional events to adhere to the deadlines required for sanctioning events.

3) New Business

- a) Nancy Patrick sent an email regarding possibly having the club host a special program as part of the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary (such as Fountains or walks with streets or places with names of flowers or trees. Betty mentioned that she had looked into what is required to host a special program. Because of the amount of paperwork and time commitment (2-3 years) if the club does this the program coordinator should be someone who can make the commitment.
- b) Mike Green reported that the AVA IT committee, of which he is a member, has decided to move the club websites off of the AVA servers. At this time, the IT committee is conducting a survey among the clubs that use ava.org for their club website to establish whether clubs want to arrange for their own web hosting service or possibly use the same service using possibly a new URL, "avaclubs.org". If the latter is chosen and we decide to use this service, our club URL would become "avaclubs.org/westpoint" or maybe "avaclubs.org/vcwp". Currently we are paying the AVA \$60/yr to host our website. It is not clear what the yearly rate would be for separate web hosting on "avaclubs.org". In principle, it should be less than \$60 per year. Mike also offered the club use of his personal website, "nodegreen.com" for free, that would make clubs URL, "nodegreen.com/vcwp". The decision to choose the future location of the club's website was postponed until the IT committee has completed its survey and the cost of the "avaclubs.org" option is determined.

4) Next Group walk: 2/26/2012 Cold Spring YRE

5) Meeting adjourned. Meeting was held at "What's Cooking" in Orangetown, NY.  
7 walkers registered at the walk box in place at Nyack Hospital Information Desk

Respectfully submitted,  
Betty Green