



VCWP 2018 Second Quarter Club Meeting Minutes Highland Falls, NY – 16 June 2018

President Nancy Patrick opened the meeting with Treasurer Andrew Schmidt and club members Farrell Patrick and Joan Vorbach in attendance at the Highland Falls Library at 10 AM on Saturday, 16 June 2018.

Old Business:

- The club reviewed the website that Lands End has created for our shirts and caps. We will suggest to use black logo on tan hats (no yellow hats available), and black logo on yellow for the shirts. Andrew will order one of each to see how they look and we will decide at the October meeting if we should make the website 'live' for our members to order from.
- Badges – The cost is now \$8.50 per badge + tax + \$3.50 postage...the club decided to point new members to the badge company if they wish. We will generate some information to put on the website about this change.
- Business Cards – After the June meeting, Andrew volunteered to take up the challenge to get information about our club to obtain new business cards with the club logo and information printed. These will allow us to pass out small tokens at subsequent events and have some for distribution as needed in ad-hoc interactions with the public.

New Business:

- Treasurer's Report
 - Financials (as of end of May 2018):
 - Current balance – \$1,074.42, but several bills are coming due. The balance is on the low end, and we need to be extra attentive to spending.
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- 2019 Calendar Scheduling
 - We reviewed the current YREs and will not renew in 2019 both Nyack and Barryville. As we believe a tour group may have a bus destined for Southampton, we will renew this one as to serve those walkers (and others) in 2019.
 - The club agreed to investigate sanctioning the entire Appalachian Trail in NY State as an extended event, similar to what both Georgia and Pennsylvania have done. Vice President Jessica Rein has volunteered (shortly after this June meeting). We aim to have the available when the Fort Montgomery seasonal opens in spring of 2019.
 - The club generated the 2019 schedule and it is available on the web. Andrew reiterated that we need the POCs to support our group walks due to some of the club officers having scheduling constraints for various reasons anticipated in 2019. The 10 YREs and one Seasonable event the club will host in 2019 are:
 1. Beacon
 2. Cold Spring
 3. Cornwall
 4. Fort Montgomery (seasonal)
 5. Highland - Walkway over The Hudson & Hudson Valley Rail Trail
 6. Highland Falls
 7. Hyde Park
 8. New Paltz
 9. Rhinebeck
 10. Southampton
 11. West Point



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- Andrew noted that the AVA will be increasing club affiliation dues from \$50 to \$75 per year. Because of both our scrutiny of our finances and this dues increase, we are holding our ½ event donation income (\$24.50 year was earmarked to AVA year to date that has not been turned over to the AVA as per club policy) that we have from the events we ran in 2018. We will review this in light of our finances and usual end of year donations that we typically due at our annual December 2018 Holiday Party.

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