

Dear Council et al.,

Thank you all attendees tonight. The following are my preliminary notes and thoughts based on our discussion.

In addition to council members Bob Tyler, our programs director was present at Tap-N-Fill tonight.

The current state of the club: we have 38 members, unchanged from last month and a total of approximately \$25 positive cash flow for the month.

We talked some about club membership and event attendance. It was noted that the regular meeting attendance and picnic attendance has been constant at approximately 40. However, the number of regular paying members, 10 years ago was around 100 members. The rafting group, in the past, has brought many members. Trips often reached 40. Greg Hulet, has retired from his position of leading trips. Without leadership, the group has been abandoned. We've also stopped the newsletter.

The newsletter is coming back on a limited basis. The goal is for a summer edition with a mid-May deadline. Much of the last newsletter, the May 2015 issue, was effectively static content. Static content included club contact information, basic information about activity groups, and membership renewals. There were 2 events and one article. The new newsletter should reiterate the static content but hopefully have some more events. I'd like to see 3 articles of some type, original or reprinted.

As for rafting, it is officially off the books now. Related motions passed unanimously.

- The club will keep possession of 1 raft, a rowing frame, 2 oars, 4 life jackets; Greg Hulet shall officially take ownership of the remaining raft inventory.
- The rafting liability accounts shall be removed from the balance sheet and merged with the general budget.

The council has had some amount of discussion about a Facebook group opposed to an organization page. I had set up a secret "Idaho Alpine Club" *group* months ago. During the meeting I made it public. A group page can have member hosted events and discussions (open by default) while an organization page is limits events and discussions to editors and administrators (closed by default). With some help from the IF iHike group and Dave McGrath cross-posting there, the group went from 6 to 33 members in an hour. The task is now to give these Facebook members to become dues paying full-fledged members. We're being watched--that's something.

The annual picnic is fast approaching. We need to send some thank you letters for gifts and start planning for the next. August will be here before we know it.

The next General meeting is May 3. I'll (Jason) bring the treats. The next council meeting was set to May 16 at Tap-N-Fill.

That's all folks,
Jason

