

KSVA Meeting - Saturday, July 18, 2009

Meeting of the Keystone State Volksmarch Association was held Saturday, July 18, 2009 at Wildwood Park, Harrisburg, PA.

Attendees: Representatives: Ron Nelson, LBW; Tom Jackson, York White Rose Wanderers; Mary Simons, Liberty Bell Wanderers; Charles Baeckert, Baloney Stompers; Joan Lampart, KSVA; Pat Eby, Susquehanna Rovers.

Guests: Sam Tollett, Virginia Vagabonds/AT-RD; Annette Tollett, Virginia Vagabonds; Kate Simons, Liberty Bell Wanderers; Clark Shaffer, YWRW; Susan Shaffer, YWRW; Skip Magee, Annapolis Amblers; Lorraine Jackson, YWRW, LBW, Freestate Happy Wanderers.

Meeting was called to order by Joan Lampart at 2:00 p.m.

Introduction of guests: Sam Tollett, Regional Director
Annette Tollett, President, VVA

After corrections were made to the previous minutes, Tom Jackson moved that the corrected minutes be approved.

Motion carried.

Treasurers report was approved.

Regional director, Sam Tollett would like the regional convention to be held in Maryland. Sam Tollett said price of hotel was \$150. per night which is more than people would be willing to pay.

He suggested that clubs should list every special event that you would have. On brochures list names of good restaurants and list any attractions that are in the area.

Every 2 years a certificate of appreciation should be given to individuals that help local clubs from the State. (this was previously handled by the Regional Director, Sam has now given this responsibility to the State organizations)

Unfinished business:

It was noted that the Regional Directors meeting on June 14,2009 at Bethesda, MD, Sam Tollett was voted in as regional director.

AVA Convention - June 24-26, 2009 - Dallas, TX
State President Group was formed.

Effective immediately, there is a change in IVV rules regarding the use of the Event Stamp. From now on, participants at events which are held on more than one day may pay a fee, complete the event, and receive an event stamp ON EACH DAY OF THE EVENT.

AVA Convention: State president meeting will share information together. Suggested that state organizations prioritize role as leaders of the state. Next meeting what is most important thing our state organizations should be doing?

Keynote speaker talked about publicity.

Remind your club to file IRS 990 filing with AVA.

Distinguished Award were presented to Joan Lampart at the AVA convention.

Joan Lampart presented Certificate of Service to the following:

Charlie Baeckert
Ron Nelson
Susan Shaffer

Ron Nelson took 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place for photography.

Pat Eby made a motion to give back funds in the amount of \$500 to Regional Director for use in future Regional Conferences. Motion carried.

AVA Website is almost done.

Audit committee: Pat Eby reported December and January was off \$100. Bank statements should be done monthly. Treasurer should be present at audit to answer any questions. It had been 8 years since an audit was done.

Report on KSVA sponsored seasonal events

Jim Thorpe – 58 (14 regular, 38 new walker coupons, 3 free)

GAP – 18

No report on Erie or Loch Haven.

NEW BUSINESS:

A motion was made to use KSVA funds to sanction/sponsor Western PA walks.
Motion carried.

Lincoln Highway Program:

The Lincoln Highway (US 30) was the first transcontinental highway. This program is for events along the original Lincoln Highway.

Indiana and Illinois start in 2010. If KSVA wants to do it, the most appropriate time would be from 1 Jan 2012 - 31 Dec 2014. Lorraine Jackson has agreed to look into KSVA sponsoring this program in 2012.

Year round event sanctions must be in to the President and Regional Director by August 15, 2009.

It was discussed to possibly to run a state awards program the same as the Texas 10 and 20. Approval of any such program was not determined.

Club Reports:

Baloney Stompers: will disband by the end of this year (2009). Upcoming walk is October 10-11 at the rail trail in Colebrook.

Cumberland Valley: no report

Liberty Bell Wanderers: Group walks for YRE in August on Thursdays and Saturdays

Sept. 20: Lake Galena - walk and pig roast

Sept. 26: Parade

Oct. 4: Perkasio, Bucks Co.

Oct 23,24,25: 4-county walk; must pre-register

Nitanny Nomads: no report

Penn Dutch Pacers: no report

Susquehanna Rovers: Sept. 12-13: Fulton County

November: 4 walks in Hershey (Thanksgiving weekend)

Sue Hair designed patch

Working on YRE for 2010

York White Rose Wanderers: July 25-26 (2 walks) Keystone Games.

November 12,13,14: Gettysburg weekend

September 2010: Green County and Washington Co.

Next meeting November 28 – 2:00 p.m. – Herhsey, PA

Meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m..

Respectfully submitted:

Patsy Baeckert
KSVA Secretary