

ESAC BOD meeting

Howie's house

Big Pine, CA

12/7/05

6pm-10pm

present: Howie, SP, Allan, Nate, Walt, Sue

News

- Inyo Cty still trying to figure out how to give \$ but reduce exposure.
 - Maybe thru Chamber of Comm.
 - Should know by the 16th of Dec.
- Tony Dablino, writer, talked to Nate for awhile for a feature article

Treasurer's report:

- \$930 in Paypal
- \$455 from the Klinefelter's Piepza party. But need to do some follow up with people to get them signed up due to some sign up confusion at the party.
- Difficulty for SP to access Paypal and bank accounts
- Need to organize various passwords and keep with ESAC corporate paperwork
- Need to standardize other account addresses
- Motion:
 - Howie will keep master copy of this information and will disperse to officers
 - Motion unanimously approved.
- Total funds: \$8707.47
- SP had difficulty setting up autopay for Sue. Issue still unresolved. For now agreed that Sue and SP should just talk to arrange the delivery of paychecks.
- SP needs to reimburse himself for the domain name renewal and brochure printing.
- Brochures shipping tomorrow. Arrive next week.

Forecasting Operations:

- Review of operations so far
 - Agreement that Sue is doing an excellent job so far
 - Some debate and discussion about the use of danger ratings in the advisory
 - Agreed that danger ratings should be qualified by terrain-type specifications and characteristics whenever possible, but some disagreement on the overall purpose of the advisory and its role as a decision making aid for the public.
 - Agreed that there should be a stated expiration date for the advisory
 - Agreed that there will be some wrinkles in the beginning and that we are happy with the big picture of the forecasting operations so far.
 - Sue presented her Operational Forms and structure which seemed very professional and efficient in conjunction with the website she and Walt put together.
- Sue will call Howard Scheckter to see how he records and disseminates his forecasts. KMMT and KIBS both don't want to read the entire written forecast so Sue will probably have to create a shorter version.

- Observers- we are going to cancel the observer meeting on the 9th and instead just have an instructive email to observers.
- Online observer forms have been linked to a database by Nate's programming. Need to make some revisions to the observer forms to make them more easily useable by SWAG proficient observers. Nate will work on the Avalanche obs form and pass it around before he does the programming work.

CSAC

Nate will call Jim Frankenfield to ask him for money to use the ESAC advisory. Agreed that it is unacceptable for him to copy our advisory and offer it for profit.

Board Expansion

All agreeable to having more board members. Main needs right now are for Fundraising and Membership. Forrest Cross has expressed interest in helping out and joining the board. Allan wants to meet him first, then we will vote.

Other members considered, but agreed that no others were necessary at this time but that we can keep considering it as new needs come up and new interest is expressed.

Andy Selters

Presentation on history of skiing. Will cost ESAC \$400 to have him do this fundraiser. Maybe President's Day.

Avy courses

\$50 for commercial local links on site
SMC, SMI, Bardini, SMG- info to Nate
Mail check or register online

Howie will call Dostie to get into avy resources in Couloir
Also, Backcountry & Offpiste