

Lebanon Ski and Sport Club

Board Meeting

October 6, 2026 via Zoom

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 pm by President Chris Riegel

IN ATTENDANCE: Chris Riegel, Jeff Sterner, Linda Billmyer, Tom Jannett, Fred Johnson, Deb Binkley, Deb Bemederfer, Anne Shutter, Jack Billmyer

The minutes from the last Board meeting dated September 8th were approved on a motion by Anne Shutter and a 2nd by Deb Binkley

COMMITTEE REPORTS

TREASURER: Tom Jannett had sent to the Board members a financial statement for September with a beginning balance of \$45,534.66. Total receipts for the month were \$38,597.00 with total expenditures being \$2,319.05. This leaves an ending balance on September 30th of \$81,812.61. This can be discussed and approved at the club's general meeting next week. A discussion later in the evening revolved around how this can better be presented to the general membership. By merely presenting the numbers the club members are left with the impression that the club has plenty of money. However a very large part of this remaining balance will be spent paying for the up coming ski trips in 2027. It was suggested that perhaps we should go to a "fund accounting" system with two separate accounts. One showing the general account and another specifically used as a "trip account". The general consensus of the Board was that this would be a good idea. Treasurer Tom Jannett will look into what all will be involved and advise the Board accordingly.

TRIPS

1) Elk Mt. January 13-15, 2027 trip leader: Ron Birch

General discussion of this trip revolved around 3 points

- a) With these established dates the general club meeting will occur on the regular 2nd Tuesday of the month which will be January 12th.
- b) A suggestion was made that all members signing up for this trip and paying before January 1st will receive the discounted club rate on their lift tickets. Anyone signing up after Jan. 1st will pay Elk's full fee. This would help the trip leader not being swamped with last minute registrations.
- c) During the actual day of the event it was suggested that a cut off time of 9:30 am be established for all skiers to obtain their lift tickets from the trip leader at the Elk lodge and after this set time all the remaining tickets will go to the Elk Mt.

ticket office to be obtained by the members. This will help insure that the trip leader does not lose ski time by having to sit at the lodge until all members arrive for the day. Jack Billmyer stated he will discuss these last two points with trip leader Ron Birch and report back to the Board.

2) Loon Mt., New Hampshire January 24-29, 2027 trip leader: Anne Shutter

Anne stated there are 27 people signed up as of today. There is still some room available. November 9th will be the cut off date. Anne will discuss this at the general meeting next week and Deb Bemmesderfer will put this in the Newsletter. Anne will look into the possibility of ski lessons and instructors, etc. that may be available at the slopes.

3) Sun Valley, Idaho February 6-13, 2027 trip leader: Jeff Sterner

Jeff stated this trip is sold out with 22 skiers registered. The air fare has been confirmed and everything seems to be in good order.

4) Taos, New Mexico February 27-March 6, 2027 trip leader: Chris Riegel

Chris reports 22 people are going. One person has dropped out so there is room for one more male skier. He will confirm the air fare in November for this trip.

2ndVP/PROGRAMS

Linda Billmyer mentioned our speakers for upcoming meetings. October will be a doctor from Penn State Health talking about Lyme disease. November will have a representative from Wreaths Across America. A sign-up sheet for this event will be presented at the general club meeting. With the actual laying of the wreaths at Indiantown Gap National Cemetery on December 19. The January speaker will be a representative from Ski Tunes Ski Shop from Lancaster County. Due to the club ski trip to Idaho in February which falls on the second Tuesday of the month, the club's February meeting will be on Tuesday February 2nd.

Heisey's diner has given their OK for this date. The March meeting will have members Fred Johnson and Jennifer Davis giving a presentation on their recent safari trip to east Africa.

MEMBERSHIP:

Deb Binkley stated we have 88 members. A general discussion followed considering Ski Tunes Ski Shop will give a 20% discount to Board members and a 10% discount to general members. It will be emphasized in the club Newsletter that you need to be a paid member to get this discount. The last dues increase was in 2022 when the dues were set at \$35 for a family and \$25 for a single. A suggestion was made to provide a discount if paying dues on time with more if paid later. General consensus leaned toward not doing this. Also brought forth was the point that you do need to be a member to go on any overnight trip (ex: a bike trip with an overnight hotel stay).

PUBLICATION:

Deb Bemederfer now has the Ski Tunes flyer to put in the Newsletter. If a nonmember is interested the club will send the Newsletter to anyone who submits their email address to Deb. The Newsletter should make note that the meals at Heisey's diner before the general meeting is at the members own expense and is not included with their membership dues.

SOCIAL COORDINATOR

Anne Shutter spoke about the club Christmas party in December. Considered were types of games, Dr Clark may not wish to do his music themed game, etc. There will be a \$10 charge to all members for the dinner. Anne will get into more specifics at the November Board meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

The Jackson Township Night Out event on August 4th did not generate any new members. Suggestion was made that the club should be on Instagram. Other suggestions included a club night out at Hoss's Restaurant or Texas Road House or volunteering at Hershey Park. This may be complicated if the club is a C7 nonprofit and not a C3.

NEW BUSINESS:

Jeff Sterner presented 3 possible options for 2028 ski trips.

- 1) Big Sky, Montana – stay at Huntley Lodge – approx. cost \$3,600
- 2) Palisades Tahoe, California – approx. cost \$3,000
- 3) Red Mountain, British Columbia, Canada – approx. cost \$2,700

Jeff will speak again to Doug and garner more details and how soon the club would need to make a definite commitment.

Also mentioned was a reminder for members to bring a cash donation or food items to each meeting which will go to the Food Bank.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:07 pm on a motion by Anne Shutter and a 2nd by Fred Johnson.

Respectfully submitted by secretary Fred Johnson