

**CMC State Council Meeting
April 15, 2021 Approved**

Attending: Keegan Young, CMC Executive Director; Jeff Flax, President CMC State Board and liaison to State Council; David Sanders; Glenn Barr, Pikes Peak; Carrie Simon, Boulder; Don Carpenter, Northern Colorado; Mike Miller, Roaring Fork; Dale Pfaff, Gore Range; Brenda Leach, Western Slope; Sandy Heise, Denver; Peter Hamilton, CMC BOD, chair - SPOC; Dan Cummings, VP BOD, chair - Fund Development

Meeting called to order by Chair Glenn Barr at 5:32pm

Sandy Heise as the new Denver Group representative was warmly welcomed to the State Council.

Minutes from the Feb 18, 2021 State Council meeting – passed, unanimous; PDF version to be posted on Basecamp and on the CMC website.

BOD Meeting Highlights from March 24, 2021 (Jeff)

Kathy Kurtz resigned from the BOD and State Council. Finances doing well: CMC received a second PPP loan for \$255,000 and anticipate that it will be forgiven mostly or entirely; Fund raising capital campaign underway for the new website, conservation and youth education. Membership holding fairly steady at around 7300. Risk Management committee looking at identifying enterprise risk to CMC.

BOD Positions - Up to five positions on the BOD are reserved for State Council members. SC members who are interested in joining the BOD should contact Glenn.

WFA Field Days - We have a large backlog for prospective leaders as well as re-certification of existing leaders. To deal with the backlog Back Country Pulse plans to hold one class per week and will start “soon”. Acceptance of certifications will be extended through the end of this year. A scholarship fund is available for the Western Slope group trip leaders to take WFA elsewhere. Contact Jeff to ascertain that the course provider meets CMC guidelines for WFA.

Protocols for Groups - CMC will follow state, county and land management CoVid 19 guidelines. Updates are available on CMC.org. As vaccination levels increase and Covid 19 cases diminish there may be fewer restrictions. Vaccinations cannot be required for CMC events and trips as the vaccines have only been given emergency use authorization by the FDA, vaccines are not available to everyone, such areas as religious objection to vaccines and ADA issues for compromised individuals. Remember that trips start and end at the trail head.

Course Cancellation Policy – Most groups have no official policy and have no issues. This appears to be mainly a Denver Group issue. Instructors are urged to plan better and have contingency plans in place in lieu of course cancellations. This is probably mostly a CoVid 19 issue.

New Member Events and Hikes – This relates to CMC branding via Jacob - Getting the new members involved early helps with member retention and new member hikes is one vehicle for this. Several groups already hold new member hikes/events including PPG, NoCo, Gore Range, Denver. Admin privileges on CMC website gives access to new members.

Policy Issues for SC (Glenn) – Discussion on SC procedure for how the SC takes an issue from the board, make a decision, and communicate the decision to the board. Glenn will formalize first draft on the process procedure by Monday 19April using minimum trip participants and avalanche policy as examples. Keegan suggested that he and Glenn serve as a clearing house for issues, for example to decide if we just need a survey(for example of trip leaders), or do we need input from group councils or

group members via SC.

SPOC (Peter) – SPO Committee for State Council is focusing on One CMC: from State Council initial input to Keegan's summary bearing in mind the positives aspects of what State Council **will** do and not what they won't do. A key idea for example is that some things State does better while the groups do better in other areas. This document is a work in progress and with Kathy Kurtz' resignation from the Board and SC we are reaching out to others (from SC or perhaps someone from our group) to serve on SPOC.

Open Forum

Finance – Checks from State should be flowing more smoothly to the groups, Jacob plans to reengage with the group treasurers in May. Topics will include getting ready for the next audit, QuickBooks in the cloud and other topics of interest to the group treasurers.

Trip Leader School - Denver Group has put together the next generation Trip Leader school which goes beyond the prior Trip Leader Google Classroom. It includes five modules and can be found at cmc-schools.org.

Fund Development Committee – Committee held a training session on strategies on raising money more effectively. \$110,000 already raised of \$300,000 campaign for website development, youth education and conservation.

Adjourned to executive session at 6:30

Action Items:

All	Contact Glenn if you are interested in serving on the CMC BOD
Sandy	Update Denver Group on course cancellation issue
Glenn	Formalize first draft of SC process procedure using issues of minimum number of trip participants and avalanche snow travel policy as examples
All	Anyone else from SC interested in participating on SPOC or anyone from our group interested?