

# Illinois Trekker Membership Meeting

## March 7, 2019

1. **Call to Order:** 6:35pm per Trudy Duffman, President
2. **Special Guests:** none
3. **New Members:** none
4. **Secretary's Report:** Vickie Ridgeway. It was brought to our attention that 6B was incomplete for the January 3 meeting note. Instead of reading "Next Volkssport Committee Meeting is scheduled for:"(blank) ", we will amend the minutes to include "time and date to be determined". At the time of the meeting, no definite meeting date and time had been set. Dee Wojtysiak made the motion to approve the minutes as amended from the previous meeting (January 3, 2019). Leonard Wojtysiak, 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed
5. **Treasurer's Report:** given by Dee Wojtysiak, Treasurer. Packy Botula made the motion to approve the report pending audit. Sue Botula seconded the motion. Motion passed.
6. **Committee Reports:**
  - A. Volkssport Committee- Diane Prost, POC
    - Future Traditional Events
      - August – Nashville. Bonnie's restaurant will set up a table. August 17
      - September – Chester. September 7. Vickie Ridgeway, POC.
    - 3 -Mile Thursday Evening Walks to start up in April. 1<sup>st</sup> one will be in O'Fallon; April 11.
    - Other issues.
      - 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary is coming up in 2020. Walk/Challenge/Awards. Possible ideas: 40 walks, getting a planning committee together, attending a ballgame? banquet, anniversary walk & exploring possible trails. We need volunteers!
      - Favorite walks– Send an email to Trudy Duffman with your favorite past Illinois Trekker walk. We'd like to include a few of these in our 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary year. Some mentioned already include the January Alton Eagle Walk and the Grafton Wine Walk. We'll put them all into consideration; please help us select your favorite repeat!
    - Way of Lights. Discussion, Original date of November 19 – lights unable to be turned on per Shrine Committee. Motion to change date to Monday, November 25, 2019, made by Diane Prost to include accommodation of new Shrine contract, same price, same location of tables, with Keystone Traffic Patrol provided, Restaurant open on that date, Christmas Tree and Wreath displays open, concession stands open and available for a fee. 2<sup>nd</sup> Mark Ohl. Motion Carried.
  - B. Individual Incentive Program 2019 – special non-AVA program for members to participate in local IL/St. Louis area YRE's., Traditional Events, attend at least 1 meeting and work at one sanctioned event. 19 completed requirements for a FREE Walk Coupon. Trekker stamp will be used at meeting.
7. **Old Business**
  - A. **Soup Walk - Trudy Duffman**
    - 28 walkers, a lot of them doing 10K despite the Weather (a little bit of sun, rain & hail)! \$50 received for the basket donations went to the church. \$22 donation to club from sale of "goodies" (breads, desserts, etc.). Cosgroves Kitchen in East St. Louis accepted items if bought from a store (commercial kitchen), and the leftover soup that was put into containers. Anne Mattingly (Gateway Milers) won the wine

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basket. 100 cans of soup donated to the Freeburg Food Pantry. Thank you received from the Food and Clothing Bank.

- B. July Club Meeting – Discussion. Normally the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month; however, it's the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. Vote was nay for Wednesday, July 3, but the majority voted present voted for Thursday, July 11 to hold the Membership Meeting.
- 8. New Business:**
- A. Club Delegate to the AVA Convention
    - o Registration Fee paid. Discussion. Motion to pay registration fee for Trudy Duffman to attend as our delegate to the Convention per Leonard Wojtysiak. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Vickie Ridgeway. Motion carried. Trudy & Jerry Duffman are traveling per RV to the Albany Convention.
  - B. The Big Give – Annual Fundraiser for the AVA. Donations accepted after March 21, 2019. Goal is \$78K. Muriel Barber made the motion that our club donate \$100 to the Big Give. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dee Wojtysiak. Motion carried.
  - C. Checkpoint – Interesting reading about what's happening in the volkssporting world.
  - D. AVA Calendars are now available for \$5 plus S&H. Contact Marian at (210)659-2112 or email [marian@ava.org](mailto:marian@ava.org).
- 9. President's Report**
- A. Membership Dues: Reminder that if you have not paid your club membership dues, please contact Dee Wojtysiak.
- 10. Items from the Floor:**
- A. Mascoutah Seasonal Walk – Starts April 1. We will be walking on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday.
  - B. AVA Flag repaired and back in the Shed
  - C. Request that our events be advertised on Facebook
  - D. Remember to support our fellow Volkspport clubs
- 11. Attendance Drawing:** Muriel Barber won the Free Walk.
- 12. Next Meeting:** The April meeting will be held at Fairview Heights Library, 10017 Bunkum Road, Fairview Heights, IL 62208 on April 4, 2019 at 6:30pm.
- 13. Meeting adjourned at 7:40pm.**

**Reports on Year-Round Events:**

Belleville Downtown, Historic Districts	Walkers: February=2	YTD=11
Columbia	Walkers: February=5	YTD=10
East Belleville YMCA	Walkers: February=8	YTD=23
	Bike: February=0	YTD=0
Edwardsville Parks	Walkers: February=4	YTD=22
	Swim: February=4	YTD=5
Glen Carbon	Walkers: February=1	YTD=8
Maryville	Walkers: February=2	YTD=4
	Bike: February=0	YTD=0
O'Fallon	Walkers: February=16	YTD=16
Shrine	Walkers: February=3	YTD=26
St. Clair Square Mall	Walkers: February=4	YTD=19