RHSC Board Meeting 11-10-09

In attendance: Anne Zaera, Curtis Casey, Nanda Zimmerman, Pat Siciliano, Anne Olshan, Bob Hener, Kyle Eberts, John Swingler, Stephanie Evers, Bill Sherriff, Sue Byelick, Walter K.

Discussion about lodge budget. What is the correct basis for calculating lodge usage rates vs. Membership dues? What is the correct way to allocate expenses such as: fuel, insurance, taxes, food, cleaning, chef? Some expenses have been allocated incorrectly which would support an increase. Do we increase dues or increase lodge rates? The goal should be to cover lodge expenses with membership dues so meeting lodge expenses is less dependent on lodge usage. Subcommittee: Walter K., Bob Hener, John Swingler and Paul Levine are working on and close to agreeing on budget allocations. Will raising membership dues result in loss of low lodge usage members? Survey indicated that membership is more interested in an assessment than a hike in lodge rates.

Communications: Anne Olshan – Discussion continued about kinds of news that should go in the Skizette. It was determined that the Skizette is more of a fun and social way of communicating and that the information should be meaningful and positive.

Issue Management – Anne Zaera started an issue management tool. It was decided it should be merged into the document that was previously put together by Bob B. This tool needs to be maintained.

LRPC Recommendations:

- 1) Sub committee should be composed of board and non-board members to look at dues vs. Rates.
- 2) Election process only 1 spouse in family should be on the nomination committee and that the nominating committee should be appointed by RHSC past presidents. That would be a by-law change
- 3) Emphasis should be made on new memberships
- 4) Bill of health the lodge is the most important asset of the club

Men's Bathroom- last touches are being finished in men's bathroom. Service agreement on the furnace has been signed

New Year's Eve: Stephanie Evers is leading the New Year's Eve Party set for Thursday/Friday/Sat night. \$90.00 Adults / \$64.00 Kids for the weekend includes: Dinner Thursday/Friday and Saturday and New Year's Eve Party. Guests are confirmed 30 days in advance.

Race Chairman: Tom Nolan is working on snow dates

Membership: Looking for board members to ski with new member applicants Goldstein Should we consider expanding core? We have potential members from Cheshire that are interested in RHSC.

Snowball: November 21st.

Meeting adjourned 9:00 PM