

The Alpine Club of Canada
May 5, 2001 Board Meeting
Westridge Inn, Canmore, Alberta

MINUTES

PRESENT: Mike Mortimer, President
David Toole, Secretary/Treasurer
Rod Plasman, VP Services
Cam Roe, VP Activities
Jeffery J. Potter, VP Facilities
Bob Sandford, VP Publications
Peter Muir VP Access/Environment

Rod Church, Central Alberta
Jackie Clark, Calgary
Enid Higham, Edmonton
Simon Statkewich, Manitoba
Mike Rogers, Montreal
John Warren, Okanagan
Heloise Mitchell, Ottawa
Dieter Ayers, Prince George
Ron Scholtz, Rocky Mountain
Eric Vezeau, Whistler
Dave McCormick, Saskatchewan
Frank Pianka, Thunder Bay
Paul Geddes, Toronto
Fern Hietkamp, Vancouver
Gerta Smythe, Vancouver Island

Peter Fuhrmann, Honorary President

Bruce Keith, Executive Director
Leslie DeMarsh, Programs Director
Nancy Hansen, Facilities Director, Recording Secretary
Suzan Chamney, Development and Communications Manager

Guests: Frank Geddes, Edmonton
David Zemrau, Edmonton
Gord Currie, Calgary
Bruce Hardardt, Calgary
Wayne Shackleton, Awards Committee Chairman (2 p.m. onwards)
Geoff Powter, CAJ Editor (11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.)

Regrets: Brian Gibson, Jasper/Hinton
Andre Mahe, St. Boniface

Call to Order:

M. Mortimer called the meeting to order at 8:40 a.m.

1. President's Opening Remarks (M. Mortimer)

Mike welcomed all and congratulated everyone on their contribution to the ongoing success of the Club. He reviewed the plans for the weekend. All Board Meeting participants and guests were introduced.

2. Approval of Agenda

R. Plasman suggested we combine Agenda Items 5g and h.

Motion by D. Toole, seconded by R. Plasman that the Agenda be adopted with the suggested change. CARRIED

3. Minutes of the Oct. 28-29/00 Board Meeting

a) Approval of Minutes

J. Clarke requested that the minutes be revised to show that P. Roginski attended the October 2000 Board meeting on Sunday and J. Clarke attended Saturday.

Motion by D. Toole, seconded by R. Plasman that the minutes be adopted with the requested change. CARRIED

b) Business Arising None

4. Reports

a) President (M. Mortimer)

M. Mortimer reviewed his written report.

b) Sections

All Section Representatives spoke to their written reports and provided highlights from their Section. Section reports that were not previously submitted were circulated for review. Almost all Sections reported that their membership numbers are up.

Prince George did not provide a written report, so D. Ayers reported verbally. Their local outdoors shop has closed down. As a result, the Section is going to take over hosting speakers and slide shows. The local logging company did not plow the logging roads this past winter, causing access times to the favorite backcountry ski areas to increase dramatically. The Section needs more trip leaders, and is considering offering more trip leader training to attract new volunteers. For the most part, all of the Club's ski and ice trips went as planned this winter.

M. Mortimer congratulated the Sections on their positive reports and safe track records.

c) Secretary (D. Toole)

D. Toole reminded all Section Representatives that they are the information link to their sections and members. There have been some concerns expressed that not all of the information from Board meetings is getting back to the Section Executives and members. To address this problem, we will be issuing minutes from Board meetings in a more timely fashion. Board packages and Board minutes will now be sent to meeting attendees, plus the Section Representatives and/or Section Chairs.

D. Toole also reminded Section Representatives that they are here as Board Members of the national Club, and while they should represent the interests of their Section, in the decision making process they need to act in the interests of the national Club. One Board member suggested that we could consider changing the title "Section Representative" to "National Board Representative" in an attempt to more clearly define

the role of the Board members. P. Muir is to prepare guidelines which outline the role of Section Representatives at Board meetings.

D. Toole reviewed membership numbers. The overall number of memberships are up 7% over one year ago. Hut and CAJ upgrade option numbers are virtually unchanged from a year ago.

B. Keith distributed section-by-section lists showing the unaffiliated members living within each Sections' region. Sections may contact these people to try to get them to join their Section.

D. Toole distributed a table showing membership related costs and revenues. The report shows that the average revenue per membership is \$19.17, and the average cost per membership is \$42.14, thereby resulting in a per membership deficit of \$22.97.

ACTION: P. Muir

d) Treasurer (D. Toole)

D. Toole reviewed the end of January financial statements. He pointed out that the Club's projected excess revenues of approximately \$150,000 this year come almost exclusively from Facilities. These funds offset the costs incurred in the non-revenue generating areas of Club activity.

The exact Canadian Alpine Centre financial contribution is unknown at this time, as they have been experiencing accounting problems. As per the original lease agreement, the CAC is committed to building a separate staff accommodation building. The ACC has taken the position that the new building should be amortized over 15 years, instead of five years as the rental accommodation buildings originally were. This amortization period will result in a larger cash flow to the ACC in coming years than would be the case with a shorter period.

G. Currie explained the bonds and stocks in which the ACC funds are held. The placements have been in more aggressive stocks in the last couple of years, and the funds are doing well.

The Finance Committee has recently been working closely with the Facilities portfolio to develop a long range capital needs plan. Capital expenditures equivalent to

the current Facilities depreciation rate are insufficient to maintain and improve the facilities, so a mechanism must be found to provide the extra revenues required.

The planning process for the 2002 budget will take place over the summer. The Club is in good shape financially. We have many projects pending, including the ACC's centenary for which we are going need extra funding.

D. Toole stated that it is likely that a membership fee increase will have to be considered as part of the FY 2002 budget process. M. Rogers stated that since our membership is a small source of revenue, the increase would need to be significant in order to make a financial difference. He expressed concern about the members' reaction to such a large increase and suggested that we consider raising fees incrementally each year instead of hitting the members with a large increase every few years. M. Mortimer pointed out that many member services, such as the colour Gazette and the activity of the Access and Environment portfolio, have incurred increased expenses. In addition, our liability insurance costs have risen dramatically since the last fee increase in 1996. D. Toole stressed to the Section Representatives that they need to tell their Sections that there may be a membership fee increase in the fall. The exact amount will be determined in the fall budget process, but it could well be in the range of \$10 per membership. If a fee increase is to be proposed, Section Representatives will receive this information immediately following the August 26 Executive Committee meeting, and it will be accompanied by information as to why the increase is necessary.

F. Heitkamp asked if the ACC has a strategic plan which brings together all of the ideas that have been discussed by the various portfolios. D. Toole said that no official strategic plan is in place due to the enormous time and effort that would be required to put it together. He stated that each portfolio has plans that can be reviewed by members; these plans collectively constitute the Club's "strategic plan".

D. Toole thanked G. Currie, N. Hipkin, and B. Caldwell for their hard work and support with the Finance Committee.

ACTION: All

e) VP Access/Environment (P. Muir)

P. Muir reviewed his report. He added that he has received proposed changes to the Access and Environment Policy from the Edmonton Section. He will present these

proposed changes to the National Access and Environment Coordinating Committee (NAECC) and will report their recommendations to the Board in the fall.

He informed the Board that the cost of the monthly NAECC telephone conference calls are in the order of \$300-\$400 per call, and that these calls are considered to be part of the ACC's service to its' members.

R. Plasman offered to investigate the possibility of holding these meetings via the internet rather than using regular telephone service.

ACTION: P. Muir, R. Plasman

f) VP Services (R. Plasman)

R. Plasman thanked all those who had helped him in his term as V.P. Services, including D. Dornian and the staff in the National Office. He wished D. Zemrau luck in his new position of VP Services.

R. Plasman said that the new publication "Canadian Wilderness Accidents" should be available in the fall.

R. Plasman introduced the new Development and Communications Manager, Suzan Chamney.

R. Plasman said that we have a new internet service provider. If anyone notices any problems with the ACC's website, please inform the National Office.

R. Plasman will be starting up a strategy planning committee for the website. He will report their initial findings at the next Board meeting. M. Rogers suggested that R. Plasman involve Section webmasters in the committee.

ACTION: R. Plasman

g) VP Activities (C. Roe)

C. Roe reviewed the recent staff changes in Activities, and said that Shannon Dick is doing a good job as the new Programs Coordinator. He thanked all of the staff, current and past for their contributions. He also thanked R. Andrews, D. Cousins, J. Keenlside, R. Plasman, and M. Mortimer for their valued contributions to the Activities portfolio.

C. Roe announced the names of those who were selected for the summer North Face Leadership course.

C. Roe indicated that the ACC's camps are very good value, and this should be pointed out to the members as a benefit of membership. Overall, camps run at a very low 1.6% profit margin.

C. Roe asked for the Sections to encourage strong and deserving trip leaders to apply for the Leadership courses. M. Rogers suggested that the Leadership course application form state that Section endorsement will improve their chance of being selected for the course.

C. Roe reviewed the winter camps – Argentine, two Wapta traverses, Fairy Meadow and the Intro to Winter Camps were all a great success. The Clemenceau camp was postponed until next year. The St. Elias camp will be run with reduced numbers due to the fact that the guides Steve Ludwig and Helen Sovdat generously offered to reduce their fees. The summer camps are well subscribed. All of the regular camps and the GMC weeks are full and waiting lists are in place. There are still spaces on the four day camps.

C. Roe explained the Karl Nagy Memorial Scholarship. He said that the Scholarship will be awarded on alternating years to an ACC Amateur Leader and an ACMG Guide candidate. The funds for the Scholarship will come from the surplus normally generated by the Mountain Guides Ball.

ACTION: Section Representatives

h) VP Facilities (J.J. Potter)

J.J. Potter distributed and reviewed the Facilities report. Sections will be offered a discount on Section camps at Wates-Gibson, Fryatt and Wheeler huts until September 30, 2002. He encouraged Sections to submit photos from their local contests for display in the Clubhouse. Some Sections seem to be taking a greater interest in building backcountry huts. J.J. Potter encouraged members undertaking such projects to seek advice from the Huts Committee.

He then thanked all of the hard-working volunteers who shape the Facilities portfolio and said that they have created a long-range plan for maintenance and improvement requirements.

The Energy, Waste, Water Management Committee is being resurrected. J.J. Potter would like volunteers from across the country to be part of this committee. G. Smythe suggested that we advertise the volunteer positions in the *Gazette*.

J.J. Potter will be meeting with the Northern Alberta Hostelling Association to discuss the possibility of a joint hostel operation in Jasper.

P. Fuhrmann congratulated J.J. Potter for doing a great job of looking after the ACC's hut and Clubhouse system.

ACTION: J.J. Potter

i) VP Publications (R. Sandford)

R. Sandford thanked the volunteers on the Publications Committee for their hard work.

R. Sandford asked the Section Representatives to pass the message of the International Year of the Bear on to their members. There is a good website at www.yearofthegreatbear.com

R. Sandford informed the Board that, sadly, Bruno Engler passed away in March. The news crossed Canada, along with a high profile of the ACC's publication "A Mountain Life". The ACC is proud to have been able to publish Bruno's life story.

R. Sandford spoke about a new western Canada huts guidebook authored by two Albertans, Brian Anderson and Jim Scott. This book will supercede our own huts guidebook. We have entered an agreement with the book publisher to have our logo on the cover of the new book and a forward by the V.P. Facilities. In return for the ACC's endorsement of the book, we will be able to purchase bulk copies of the book at a 50% discount. There is now a plan to publish our own huts guidebook on the ACC website.

R. Sandford asked the Section Representatives to discuss with their Sections the pros and cons of expanding the ACC's retail image and presence across Canada. Retail items could include hats, carabiners, key chains, etc. with the ACC logo. These items would be sold in retail stores across Canada and could greatly increase the profile of the Club and generate revenues.

R. Sandford reviewed the remainder of his written report.

R. Sandford introduced G. Powter, the editor of the Canadian Alpine Journal. R. Sandford reiterated the September 2000 Executive Committee resolution which stated that "...the Publications Committee (will) adopt an editorial policy not permitting unacceptable profanity in the CAJ."

After considerable discussion, it was agreed that the CAJ editor should, within the context of the policy stated by the Board, decide on what exact words the CAJ should or should not include. No one on the Board felt that the 5-6 instances of what some might consider "swear words" in the 2001 CAJ constituted unacceptable profanity.

G. Powter wanted to know from the Section Representatives if their Section members have strong feelings one way or another about the language in the CAJ. G. Powter gave a history of the editing of the CAJ. He said that it has only been in the last two years that he has received significant complaints from members regarding profanity. G. Powter also wanted to know who has final authority on deciding the amount and type of "swearing" in each Journal.

ACTION: Section Representatives

j) National Office (B. Keith)

B. Keith reviewed his report.

M. Mortimer asked how the success of the ACC's press releases are measured. S. Chamney replied that without receiving each of the newspapers or listening to the radio stations she sends the releases to, it is very difficult to know when press releases are publicized. R. Plasman suggested that Board members across Canada let the National Office know when they see an article about the ACC in their paper or hear a report on the radio.

B. Keith will send the list of the current press release recipients to all Section Representatives to see if they have any suggestions for additional media outlets.

M. Mortimer congratulated B. Keith and the National Office staff for their good work.

ACTION: B. Keith

5. 2001 Service Awards (Awards Committee Representative)

W. Shackleton explained the purpose and process of the Awards Committee. He said that it is the committee's job to review the nominations as presented and not to chase up additional information for review that same year. The current committee's approach is that if nomination forms are considered to be incomplete, the nominator is informed and given the chance to submit more information which will be considered in the following year.

One of the problems the Awards Committee experienced this year was that some nominees had done a lot for Sections, but were not known at the National Club level. The Awards Committee did not feel that there were any National Awards that suited these nominees. M. Rogers said that although some eastern section members may not be able to contribute nationally, they contribute a great deal to their section. This should be recognized at a National level in some form.

W. Shackleton welcomed suggestions for the nomination forms and awards process in general. He also said that the Awards Committee would welcome members from other areas of the country.

Motion by W. Shackleton, seconded by D. Toole that the Awards Committee report be approved as presented. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

M. Mortimer then outlined the situation which had caused some other award nominees to be left off the Awards Committee report. He suggested that they had been left off for reasons of process, and not because they were undeserving. M. Mortimer said that the additional award nominees were all supported by a unanimous vote of their Section executive. He said that the ACC Executive Committee recommends that the Board approve these additional nominees.

Motion by M. Mortimer, seconded by R. Plasman that the Board approve the following additional awards:

- a) Distinguished Service: Shelley McKinlay (Saskatchewan), Jay MacArthur (Vancouver), Cameron Roe (Calgary), David Toole (Montreal)**
- b) Silver Rope: Mike Thompson (Vancouver), Sandy Briggs (Vancouver Island)**

CARRIED (THREE ABSTENTIONS)

D. Toole reviewed the shortcomings of the ACC's current awards situation, and the way in which those shortcomings could be overcome.

Motion by D. Toole, seconded by P. Muir that

- 1. a Special Committee of the Board be formed to:**
 - a) review the current ACC awards structure and the current nomination/selection policy and procedures and;**
 - b) recommend to the Board at its next meeting what (if any) changes are required to the structure, policy and procedures so that they better meet the needs of the Club;**

and

- 2. the Special Committee be chaired by Mike Mortimer, with appropriate representation from both the national and section levels of the Club.**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

M. Mortimer was asked to leave the room. W. Shackleton then stated that in order to maintain confidentiality, the Awards Committee report did not contain the Awards Committee recommendation that M. Mortimer receive the A.O. Wheeler award.

Motion by W. Shackleton, seconded by G. Smythe that M. Mortimer receive the A.O. Wheeler award.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

W. Shackleton, P. Fuhrmann and R. Plasman reviewed the M. Mortimer's contributions to the ACC over the past 20 years. B. Keith reviewed the criteria for the A.O. Wheeler award as outlined in the members handbook.

ACTION: M. Mortimer

6. Canadian Centre for Mountaineering (C. Roe)

C. Roe reviewed his proposal for the CCM as presented in the Board package. He stated that the vision for the CCM is to be "the umbrella portfolio for all mountaineering activities within the ACC".

R. Sandford suggested that another committee be added to the portfolio that will consider the image of the CCM and how it affects the reputation of the ACC.

C. Roe talked about the “Taste of the Rockies” tour that will take place this summer. Members from several UIAA affiliated alpine clubs will be on this tour, with the intention that we will be selling camps to their members in the future.

The CCM is planning on moving ahead with a training syllabus for Amateur Leaders. The syllabus will meet international standards. It will be possible for us to provide certification to trip leaders if we choose to do so one day.

R. Scholtz said that the proposed certification process is seen as being a good idea by the Rocky Mountain Section, however there are grave concerns about the implementation of the process. C. Roe said that many Sections expressed the same concern. He said that there will be a “grandfathering” system to the certification process if and when it is implemented.

P. Fuhrmann stated that there may be legal implications related to liability with certification.

E. Higham said that the Edmonton Section leaders are unlikely to want to use holiday time for certification on top of the time they spend leading trips. She also expressed concern about the costs of certification. She asked if it wouldn’t be wiser financially for the National Office to hire assistant guides instead of spending the money on certifying amateur leaders.

C. Roe reiterated that the certification process should not be viewed at this time as mandatory at the Section level.

R. Plasman stated that he does not believe *Accidents in North American Mountaineering* and *Canadian Wilderness Accidents* should fall under the CCM portfolio, rather they should stay with the V.P. Services. There were no objections to this approach at this time.

The Board approved that C. Roe go ahead with the “four CCM committee approach” as proposed.

ACTION: C. Roe

7. AGM Locations

a) AGM Hosting Policy (D. Toole)

D. Toole reviewed the proposed AGM Hosting Policy that was provided in the Board package.

Motion by D. Toole, seconded by R. Plasman that the AGM Hosting Policy be approved as presented. CARRIED

b) 2002 AGM Location (F. Hietkamp)

F. Hietkamp reviewed the Vancouver Section proposal for hosting the 2002 AGM and Board of Directors meeting. The proposed date is May 11 and 12, 2002. The Vancouver Section feels that hosting the meetings will allow the Section members to get to know the Board and Executive better, and will create a greater bond amongst the B.C. Sections as they work together to organize the meeting.

Moved by F. Hietkamp, seconded by Gerta Smythe that the proposal for the Vancouver Section to host the 2002 AGM be approved as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

D. McCormick asked how much the Canmore AGM and Board meetings cost to host. B. Keith replied that they cost about \$4000 less than the Vancouver Section's proposal. J. Clark asked where the extra \$4000 would come from. D. Toole replied that it would be incorporated into the 2002 budget and will be paid out of general revenues. M. Rogers suggested that since the B.C. Sections feel they will benefit from hosting the AGM, perhaps they should pay for part of the \$4000 excess cost. R. Plasman suggested that hosting the AGM in a non-Rockies location will be beneficial to the entire Club, as it will help to dispel the myth that the ACC is a Rockies-centered Club.

ACTION: F. Hietkamp/Vancouver Section

8. Approval of FY 2000 Audit (D. Toole)

Motion by D. Toole, seconded by P. Muir, that the FY 2000 audited statements be approved for presentation at the 2001 AGM. CARRIED

9. Executive Committee Nomination/Election (P. Fuhrmann)

P. Fuhrmann reviewed the Executive Committee nomination slate which was published in the November 2000 Gazette. Since there were no further nominations as a result of the announcement, the new officers gain their positions by acclamation and the new slate will be presented to the members at the 2001 AGM.

10. M. Mortimer – Future Role (D. Toole)

D. Toole reviewed the proposal for the future role of M. Mortimer as presented in the Board package.

Motion by D. Toole, seconded by R. Sandford, that Mike Mortimer be appointed to a new ex-officio Board position to be known as “Director, External Relations” and that his responsibilities consist of those presented to the Board.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

F. Hietkamp asked if M. Mortimer will be accountable to the Board by way of regular reports. D. Toole said that M. Mortimer will provide bi-annual reports to the Board.

ACTION: M. Mortimer

11. Gazette Proposal (R. Sandford)

M. Mortimer stated that the colour *Gazette* presents a more professional image of the ACC. Colour is easier to sell to advertisers such as the North Face and Sierra Designs. It also impresses the foreign alpine clubs, to whom we are attempting to sell camps at our underutilized huts.

B. Keith stated that there will be a total of seven additional pages of content per year in the *Gazettes* if we move to three issues per year.

E. Vezeau asked if changing to three *Gazettes* will interfere with any member voting issues that need to be published. D. Toole replied that this will not be a problem.

B. Hardardt asked if we would lose advertising revenue by going to three issues. B. Keith stated that annual ad revenues are budgeted to increase under the new proposal, from increased ad space (not increased ad rates).

B. Hardardt asked how much money would be saved by producing three issues rather than four. B. Keith responded that there would not be any net financial difference, but the workload would be reduced on both the volunteers and staff.

Motion by R. Sandford, seconded by D. Toole, that the *Gazette* be published as a 24 page newsletter three times per year (instead of as a 16 page issue four times per year).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ACTION: R. Sandford

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

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Call to Order:

D. Toole called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

1. National-Section Communications (D. Toole, B. Keith)

D. Toole spoke about how we are attempting to improve communications between the National Club and Sections. We are planning on distributing the minutes from the meeting as soon as possible afterwards to ensure that information is going back to the Sections quickly. In addition, in the future, we will be sending the board packages and minutes to both the Section Chair and Section Representative. He asked for Sections to provide any additional names to the National Office.

M. Rogers suggested that the board packages and minutes be posted on the website. R. Plasman expressed concern that as our webmaster is a volunteer, we need to be conscious of our demands on his time. R. Plasman also stated that the website report being produced for August presentation to the Executive Committee will include the suggestions raised by this discussion.

J. Clark suggested that the National Club write regular short articles for the Section newsletters to keep the members up to date on the Club's current affairs.

B. Keith committed to send out biannual updates to Board members between Board meetings.

ACTION: R. Plasman, B. Keith

2. National Level Volunteer Search Process (E. Higham)

E. Higham reviewed the Edmonton Section's concerns that Section members outside of the National Office local area are not being sought out as volunteers on various projects.

D. Toole indicated that there have been committees recently set up that include members from across the country, such as the NAECC and the Centenary Committee. There are requirements for a number of new committees, and most of these can be made up of members from across Canada.

M. Mortimer pointed out that there are times when a general notice can be posted for volunteers, and times when well known, reliable volunteers need to be handpicked.

R. Plasman recommended that volunteer opportunities be listed on the ACC's website.

J.J. Potter said that it is important for Section Representatives to report back to their members in regards to volunteer opportunities that have been presented at the Board meetings.

E. Higham suggested that employment opportunities with the National Office also need to be advertised to the members. One Board member suggested that the website would be a good place to post volunteer / employment opportunities

F. Hietkamp suggested that a Volunteer Coordinator, under the V.P. Services, may be useful.

3. Board Meeting Information Package Timing (J. Clark)

D. Toole said that it would be possible to get Board package information to the Section Representatives and Section Chairs at an earlier date, but that the earlier it comes out, the less complete it will be. He said that we will send out the Board packages as soon as is practical, and will communicate potentially contentious issues as early as possible.

J. Clark spoke about the fact that many Calgary Section members were unhappy about the Board of Directors decision to suggest to the Canadian government that Mt. Snowdome be renamed Mt. Trudeau. As well, Calgary Section members would like to

have input into such decisions before they are publicized. J. Clark said that if Section Representatives and Section Chairs receive the Executive meeting minutes immediately after each Executive meeting, it will help to maximize the information going out to the Sections.

G. Currie pointed out that some issues need to be dealt with quickly by the Board, and that it will not always be possible to engage in lengthy consultative processes at the section/member level.

ACTION: R. Plasman

4. ACC Grants

a) 2001 Process Review (D. Toole)

D. Toole said that the new process for grant approvals that was implemented this year seemed to be successful. R. Plasman agreed that the process went very smoothly.

b) Helly Hansen Mountain Adventure Award (B. Keith)

B. Keith reviewed the criteria for the new Helly Hansen Award program.

Helly Hansen has committed to giving the ACC \$14,000 in product merchandise each year. M. Mortimer suggested to Helly Hansen that they give us the dollar value in gift certificates. These could then be re-distributed to the Sections and national Committees to reward deserving volunteers.

J.J. Potter said that he does not think the gift certificates should be pro-rated per section, rather each section should receive equal portions. M. Mortimer said that whether we split the funding on a per member basis or divide it equally amongst Sections and Committees will be decided at a later date.

M. Mortimer is to clarify the product/merchandise portion of the program with Helly Hansen, and is to set up the ACC's Helly Hansen Awards Application Review Committee.

ACTION: M. Mortimer

5. Endowment Fund Criteria Change (D. Toole)

D. Toole spoke about changes to the Endowment Fund criteria. He proposed that the Endowment Fund should no longer be the source of grants for private trips and

expeditions. Instead, we will direct all such applications to the new Helly Hansen Award program. The Board agreed with this approach.

6. Student Outdoor Club Update (D. Toole/Section Reps)

M. Rogers said that the having the student affiliation has boosted the volunteer energy in the Montreal Section. He said that it takes a little more of their time to manage the extra members, but that it is worth it. He said that he has not noticed much active participation on trips or at meetings yet, but is expecting such participation to increase as time goes by.

J. Clark said that she is unsure how much the students are using the services of their Section.

F. Hietkamp said that their students have been actively participating with the joint BCMC/ACC meetings. She does not believe the students are attending the ACC meetings, but there is a joint VOC and ACC club trip planned for this summer.

The Prince George Section has an SOC program, and Edmonton is considering setting up an SOC. B. Keith said that Sections should contact him if they need more information about the program.

M. Mortimer expressed concern that Patagonia may not continue to support the Student Outdoor Program if there are not more tangible results and enthusiasm to report.

M. Rogers suggested that a Patagonia Representative come to visit their section. B. Keith suggested that other Sections could consider having a Patagonia hosted slide show such as the Barry Blanchard slide show recently hosted at the University of Calgary. M. Mortimer suggested that Barry Blanchard might be willing to give slide shows for all the Sections that have student affiliations.

D. Toole asked for the Sections to put more effort into the program, as it is a win-win situation that we do not want to lose.

ACTION: Section Representatives

7. Planned Giving (D. Toole)

About 11 months ago, longer term and more senior Canadian ACC members were solicited to consider making planned giving bequests to the ACC in their wills. The program was considered to be a success, with several members responding positively.

D. Toole is in the process of setting up a similar appeal to our U.S. members.

ACTION: D. Toole

8. FQME (M. Mortimer)

M. Rogers gave a summary of the complicated history of the FQME's involvement with the UIAA and a Quebec sport climbing body, the ENEC. The Montreal Section has been receiving competing requests from both the FQME and the ENEC for the ACC's endorsement of each body as the official sport climbing organization in Quebec.

The ACC wrote a letter to the FQME telling them that we will support their organization as the official Quebec sport climbing organization as long as they stay in contact and share information with the ENEC, and develop leadership training programs. If the situation is not resolved in one year, we will review our position.

9. Minister's Round Table on Parks Canada (P. Geddes)

On behalf of the ACC, P. Geddes attended the Minister's Round Table on Parks Canada in March of 2001 as one of the invited 70 stakeholders. He reviewed his written report. The next meeting will be held in 2003.

10. International Year of the Mountains in 2002 (F. Hietkamp)

F. Hietkamp would like the ACC to support the IYM 2002 and suggested that the ACC write one or more letters to the federal government to encourage them to get involved in this initiative and provide funds for organizations that want to set up programs.

F. Hietkamp suggested that we use the IYM 2002 logo along side our own logo for the year 2002. She reviewed the other ideas as presented in her report. She asked for

volunteers to sit on a committee to assist her in the initiative. Anyone interested should contact F. Hietkamp.

P. Geddes suggested that almost everything we do next year could be considered part and tied into the IYM celebrations.

ACTION: Section Representatives

11. UIAA Club Camps/Trips (M. Mortimer)

There will be a Rockies based “familiarization tour” for European UIAA and American Alpine Club representatives. The representatives will be taken to several of our underutilized huts this summer. The aim is to interest the foreign Clubs in advertising special ACC camps to their members, starting in 2002. These camps are intended to provide increased funds for ACC leadership development, plus increased hut revenues. This initiative is part of the CCM mandate.

12. Canadian Alpine Centre Update (B. Keith)

The main topic of discussion at the last Board meeting for the CAC was the new staff housing that is required by Parks Canada as part of our original lease agreement. The CAC is intending to break ground this summer and have it completed by this fall. The CAC experienced accounting problems this year, but those are now being sorted out. The CAC may not be able to continue with their guided climbing trips due to liability insurance issues. The land for Phase III is still available for building more rental accommodation rooms. The CAC has been a good income source for the ACC, and will continue to be so into the future.

13. 2006 Centennial (M. Mortimer)

The ACC Centennial Committee met on May 4 to discuss ideas and opportunities for celebrating the ACC’s Centennial. Some of the ideas included: hosting the UIAA General Assembly meeting, building a new hut, planning a significant international camp, organizing a special GMC, arranging for the printing of coins and stamps commemorating the event, and holding a National ACC meeting in Winnipeg. The committee would like to hear ideas of how the Sections plan on celebrating the centennial. They would also like to hear any ideas members have for National celebrations.

J.J. Potter suggested that each Section write a history of their Section for the Centennial. These histories can be compiled into one publication.

M. Mortimer said that Alberta is celebrating it's centenary in 2005, and will likely have funding available for other organizations. We may also be able to get funding from the federal government.

ACTION: Section Representatives

14. 2001 Mountain Guides Ball (M. Mortimer)

M. Mortimer reported that 310 people attended the 2000 Mountain Guides Ball and that \$16,000 was raised. We give 40% of the MGB proceeds to the ACMG.

Hans Schwarz will be the Patron at this year's Guides Ball on October 20, 2001.

J.J. Potter asked who pays for the Section Representative tickets. M. Mortimer said that the Sections pay for their Representative's ticket at a discounted price.

M. Mortimer said that the Guides Ball funds in recent years have been used to support Leadership Development. He also stated that any area of the Club that has an interest should submit a written project funding request to the Guides Ball Committee.

15. Mt. Logan Update (D. Toole)

The letter that was drafted by the ACC after the October 2000 Board meeting to the federal government in regards to the renaming of Mt. Logan was never sent, as the issue was considered to be dormant by the time the letter was approved. If the issue arises again in the future, a full consultation will be undertaken with the Board of Directors prior to any action being taken by the Club.

G. Currie suggested that when urgent issues such as this one come up, the Board should be consulted by e-mail or telephone instead of waiting for a vote at the next scheduled Board meeting.

16. UIAA Mountaineering Commission Meeting in Canada (M. Mortimer)

We will be hosting about 25 international delegates from the UIAA Mountaineering Commission in September with \$2000 of funding coming from the Mountain Guides Ball proceeds.

17. Next Meetings (R. Plasman)

R. Plasman reviewed the schedule of upcoming meetings as follows:

Fall Executive Committee Meeting in Canmore	August 26, 2001
Fall Board Meeting in Lake Louise	October 20–21, 2001
Spring Executive Meeting in Canmore	T.B.A.
Spring AGM and Board Meeting in Vancouver	May 10-11-12, 2002

17. Other Business

J. Clark informed Sections that as non-profit organizations, they can apply for GST rebates. Any sections wanting more information should contact J. Clark.

Motion by R. Plasman, seconded by C. Roe to adjourn the meeting at 12:20 p.m.

CARRIED