

**American Volkssport Association
National Executive Council XIX Meeting
Red Lion Hotel and Convention Center
Billings, Montana
June 7, 2017**

Call to Order

The Meeting of the National Executive Council was called to order at 11:00 a.m., June 7, 2017 by President Dennis Michele at the Red Lion Hotel and Convention Center, Billings, Montana

Introductions:

National Executive Council Members Present:

Dennis Michele (President), Sam Korff (Secretary), Lawrence Lehman (Treasurer), Tom Jackson (Atlantic RD), Linda Neu (Mid-America RD), Jerry Wilson (North Central RD), Chris Mellen (Northeast RD), Nancy Wittenberg (Northwest RD), Suzi Glass (Pacific RD), Frank Sayers (Rocky Mountain RD), Glen Conyers (South Central RD), David Bonewitz (Southeast Deputy RD), Susan Medlin (Southwest RD), Henry Rosales (Executive Director)

Guests signed in:

Tom Baltes, Vancouver USA Volkssports, Vancouver, WA;
Louise Baltes, All Weather Walkers, Vancouver, WA; Leslie Stone, First Coast Trail Forgers, Jacksonville, FL; Stan Neu, River

City Ramblers, Evansville, IN; Sue Bacon, Illinois Trekkers, Columbia, IL; Andy Bacon, Illinois Trekkers, Columbia, IL; Michael Green, Liberty Bell Wanderers, Collegeville, PA; Charlotte Phillips, Texas Wanderers, San Antonio, TX; Judy Ann Gordon, Tahoe Trail Trekkers, Reno, NV; Dawn Gruber, Ohio Wander Freunde, Fairborn, OH; Bob Wright, Loudon Walking and Volkssport Club, Leesburg, VA; Suzanne Wright, Loudon Walking and Volkssport Club, Leesburg, VA; Thelma Goris, Wandering Wheels, Richmond, IN; Donna Seline, NorthStar Trail Trekkers, Minneapolis, MN; Bob Morrison, Capitol Volkssport Club, Olympia, WA; Charles Repik, Evergreen Wanderers, Tacoma, WA; Wayne Knapp, Empire State Capitol Volkssport Club, Albany, NY; Kathy Mack, Empire State Capitol Volkssport Club, Albany, NY; Maryann Brown, Yachats Coastal Gems, Yachats, OR

Approval of Agenda:

Motion made by Glen Conyers: I move to accept the Agenda. (Attachment A)

Seconded by Lawrence Lehman.

Motion Passed.

Treasurer's Report: Lawrence Lehman

Acceptance of 2017-2018 AVA Budget (Attachment 1)

Discussion followed.

The question was called by Sam Korff.

The motion to call the question was seconded by Jerry Wilson.

Motion Carried.

The Budget was accepted.

Executive Director's Report-Henry Rosales (Attachment 2)

a. Results of Big Give (Attachment 3)

b. AVA Donations (Attachment 4)

**c. New, Reactivated, and Deactivated Clubs
(Attachment 5)**

Reports of Standing Committee

Convention – Frank Sayers (Attachment 6)

**Report of Ad Hoc Committee - Debbie Kruep
(Attachment 7)**

Motion made by David Bonewitz. I move that the Program Committee be authorized to continue their work to develop the 401k Invest in Your Health program with Walker Tracker as presented, solicit and secure financial sponsorship with understanding that a detailed outline of the program will be given at the next NEC meeting.

Seconded by Suzi Glass.

Motion carried.

Next Meeting: August 10 - 12, 2017, San Antonio, TX

Audience Comments.

Executive Council Comments.

Adjourned 12:31 p.m.

Additional Attachments:

Vice President's Report (Attachment 8)

Secretary's Report (Attachment 9)

Information Technology Report (Attachment 10)

Standards and Evaluations Report (Attachment 11)

Publicity Committee Report (Attachment 12)

Bylaws Committee Report (Attachment 13)

Special Programs Committee Report (Attachment 14)

National Programs Committee Report (Attachment 15)

Awards Committee Report (Attachment 16)

Training Committee Report (Attachment 17)

Bike Committee Report (Attachment 18)

