

## **CRAG-VT BOARD MEETING**

March 14, 2023 – Zoom

**In Attendance:** Rob, Joey, Deane, Phil, Sam, Lauren, Kris, Matt, Mischa, Steve, Seth

**Absent:** Gene O, Pete, Andrew

**Guests:** Olivia, Suzanna, Dr. Katzman, Andrea

**Start Time:** 7:00 pm **End Time:** 8:10 pm

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### **BOARD BUSINESS AND GREETINGS**

- Treasurer Report
  - See treasurer report for more info
  - Submitted mandatory economic census data
  - Still waiting ERSA funds
- Executive Director Report
  - April 29th climbing walk at Rock Point in Burlington
    - Kris is available
  - 2023 budget draft is available on google drive for review
    - Matt and Joey are interested in reviewing
    - Anyone is welcome to review and provide feedback to Lauren
- Membership Report (7PM or After)
  - See membership report for detailed info
  - 497 active members
- Board Business
  - Executive Director Review is in progress

### **COMMITTEE UPDATES**

- Stewardship (**Joey**)
  - Falcon Watch Committee
    - There is less monitoring of falcons going on. Crag will be looking for volunteers to assist in monitoring falcon activity to help determine cliff closures
  - Member meetups coming back! First one is 3/29 at Metrorock
  - May 6th is stewardship training day at Bolton Dome
  - May 6th is green up day
  - Potential to do UUW trail work through Bolton Conservation Committee
  - Deane put submitted a grant application for stewardship work
- Access ()
  - Meeting next week, will have more updates after this
  - Seth submitted Access Fund grant for Driving Range parking lot
- Events (**Andrew**)

- 2023 climbing festival will be at Cochran's, but we will be looking for new venues for 2024 and beyond
- JDEI (**Olivia Harris**)
  - Need to identify needs of local community
  - Will start reflection topics, readings at board meetings
  - First topic is tonight, Olivia is sharing
  - Gender and Sexual Identities
    - It important to feel respected as a member of your community
    - How can we foster safe environments?
    - How can we be ok with our discomforts?
    - Full text of reading is in JDEI folder under Monthly Board Topics

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Reel Rock, 3/24, UVM
  - UVM would like a speech on outdoor ethics of climbing in Vermont and how to get more involved with Crag Vermont
  - Mischa to Table
  - Kris to speak
  - Several other people are likely to go. Keep Phil, Joey and Lauren in the loop
- Member Meetup, 3/29, Metrorock
- Climbing Walk, 4/29, Lone Rock Point
- Green Up Day, 5/6, Bolton Town
- Stewardship trail building training, 5/6, Bolton Dome

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

- Dr. Katzman is remaking some of the old signs at climbing areas
- Dr. Katzman is looking to resurrect the Vermont Climbing Academy
  - Dr. is looking for AMGA single pitch certified guides to volunteer
  - Phil will be interested in doing this after he gets his SPI later this year