Princeton Ski and Sail Club
Board Meeting March 10, 2026

1. Call to order by Chester Trubinski at 7:01.

Attendance: Chester Trubinski, Pat Russell, Karen Shannon, , George Koscs, Kate Goelz, James Nowicki, Anne Bloomenthal, Debbie Munther, Carol Christensen, Dmitri Rizer, Peter Shearer, Bob Kivlen, Dave Stern, George DeMarco, James Nowicki.

2. Approval of February minutes: Bob Kivlen; 2nd – George Koscs.

3. **Treasurer Report:** Pat Russell

All finances are fine. Stratton and Val Gardena trips had a slight loss.

All of the following are included in the monthly report:

Unrestricted funds, activities, budget, checks register, and bank statements for checking and money market.

Pat will prepare the 2026 budget for the March meeting and the 2027 budget for April's meeting.

Motion to accept the report: Karen; 2nd- George K.

4. **Membership:** Steve Friedlander

Membership total increased from 183 to 203 during the past month, but is still below what it was in March of last year.

If our membership is declining, do we have enough money to cover expenses like dinner reimbursement and insurances. And have a buffer for unexpected expenses as well.

5. **Ski Council:** Bob Kivlen

A presentation on trail markers on overseas trips was given.

They want ski clubs to complete a survey on their ski trips. Bob has most of the information he needs. He will ask Dmitri and Bob Keithler to provide information on air fares.

They are planning trips to Lake Tahoe and Sunday River.

6. **Rocky Hill Inn:** Bob Kivlen

The March meeting will conflict with the Killington trip. Bob can lead the meeting and Pat will provide the budget information.

George will review the slate for the elections.

The question was raised: since the March meeting always conflicts with the Killington trip, should the meeting date be shifted to a different week in March. Will the RHI change the date we have our meeting?

The timing of the installation dinner and election results are out of sync since the dinner will

be before the election results are tabulated. Therefore the following change will be made. The elections will conclude April 25 and Dmitri will have the results for the dinner April 26.

7. **Newsletter:** Anne Bloomenthal
   Anne sent an email with information she needs for the newsletter.

8. **Facebook:** Anne Bloomenthal
   Nothing to report.

9. **Advertising and Website**
   a) Hans – is posting the information in the usual places.
   b) Website: Dmitri
   In the last 30 days, there were 275 sessions (-7% from last month) of which 203 were unique visitors.
- Average session lasted ~ 4.5 minutes.
- Referring sources: Direct link - 136, Google - 76, Bing - 8.
- Page views by device: Desktop - 310, Mobile - 185, Tablet – 7.
- Top 5 pages were: Home, Events-Calendar, Members-Only, Private-Content, How-To-Join.
- Updates: Answer Book, Board Minutes, Member Directory.

10. **Pickleball** – Steve
    Play will begin outdoors on Saturday and Sunday.
    Since Steve sends out weekly emails, there is no need for an Ebulletin.

11. **Ski Trips**
    Killington has 11 rooms in a new hotel.
    Jim is organizing DEGS days. There have been 3 DEGS days with about 32 members.
    Jim is planning to run a DEGS day in July at the Mall.

    Dmitri is going to prepare a proposal for a trip to Big Sky. It will be at a contemporary hotel Jan 23 – 30. The price will be approximately $2300. The hotel has a bus to the mountain Air fare and breakfast are included.

12. **Sailing** – Dave Stern
    The Spain trip has 8 land nights followed by sailing in Majorca.

    Jeanine is in charge of the Memorial day sail with 2 boats and 10 people. There is the possibility of a 3rd boat.
    Jim will run day sails on his personal boat again in June, July and August
    Dave recommends Seas Monmouth if a person is interested in learning how to sail.

Carol also has a cat boat that she would have day sails on at the end of the summer in Chesterfield, Md.

13. **Trip to Iceland** – Kate
    The trip is set and full.

14. **Installation Dinner -** Bob
    The Installation will be on April 26 at 5:30 at Carlucci's. Bob has made the deposit of $200. There are a couple of menu choices that range from $34 to $42 depending on our choice.. This is a BYOB.

15. **New Business**
    Jim is proposing a bike tour to Costa Rica. It consists of 9 days biking of approximately 2 to 2.5 hours with sightseeing the rest of the day. The dates will be Oct 17 through oct 31. He is working with a travel group which will provide a tour guide and the bikes. Ebikes are also available. When advertising this, he will state that people need to be fit for this trip. Jim is going to collect the information and submit the proposal even if there are only 2 people signed up.

    George has updated the Answer Book with the location of club equipment and parts. He also added the letter for an unacceptable person on a trip.

    Do we want to order ski pole flags for next year's anniversary dinner? They cost $6.00.

Motion to adjourn: Peter; 2nd - Debbie