

OHA Cabin Committee
Minutes, February 3, 2026
7:00pm ET

Members:

Attending: Emily Benson, Jared Liu, Brian Post, Heather Harland Wingate

Unavailable: Bill Oliver, Kimberly "Schroeder" Steward

Cabin Use

- Reservations, rates, and passes. In general, we're happy with the current system. Although use didn't necessarily change with online reservations, it generated additional income from users more consistently paying. For many, online reservations also streamlined the process and made bookings more transparent.
- Financially, we're comfortable using membership to subsidize cabin usage, so that staying at the cabin is a great deal.
- The one downside is that current croo aren't using the cabin as much. We could write about the cabin in the Saturday truck notes or possibly leave a key with the Huts Manager.

Maintenance

- Spring Cleanup Day. An annual workday in mid-May (5/16 this year). Traditionally, this was a cookout and baseball game, but will now be a potluck with some light cleaning.
- Fallfest Firewood Challenge. An annual workday to replace screens with storms and stack firewood. The thought is that we'll encourage folks to stop by the cabin for a couple of hours before going to Fallfest (11/7 this year). A cabin caretaker is needed for work on the windows. Otherwise, the main task is to stack firewood. Emily will see if the wood can be delivered in May so that guests staying in the summer can move wood a little bit at a time over the course of a few months.
- Emily will review the list of chores at the cabin to make sure that folks throughout the year know what chores can be done.
- We might consider spending a little money to buy a few new games for the cabin.
- Emily will draft a Capital Improvement Plan so that we can plan and budget for major projects, appliances, and such. The fridge is now only 2 years old, but the oven may need to be replaced soon. The cabin is probably due for a re-staining, too. Emily will get Mike Waddel to weigh in on this, too.

Land

- Badger Land. Nothing has to happen with this. It is part of our land conservation.
- Harvard Cabin. They will be doing some septic work this spring, and Emily is in touch with them (ex. so it doesn't happen around Gala time).

- Gervais. No more work being done on the road until Gervais splits the cost with us in exchange for formalizing the easement OR Gervais pays for it himself. Otherwise, we're in a holding pattern on the property. Jared will talk to Bill Oliver and Carter to understand where things are.

Other Bidness

- AMC 150th. Brian has now blocked 7/31 and 8/1 in the reservations. The Programs & Outreach Committee has put together a nice program, and Jared will reconnect with Bethany, EB, and Chris about that. Also will talk to Stroker, who is central to that weekend.
- Cabin Committee. We are codifying this group as the Cabin Committee, and will meet 1-2 times per year to be a resource.

Adjourned 8:00pm