

Bellingham Branch Chair - Two Year Term

Bellingham Branch of The Mountaineers, September 2014



Goal of Position

The Branch Chair coordinates and leads the Bellingham Branch's efforts in concert with the broader organization in serving its membership so that the Bellingham Branch of The Mountaineers provides safe and inspiring activities, courses, and volunteer experiences that allow all members to share a passion of the outdoors to help people explore, conserve, learn about and enjoy the lands and waters of the Pacific Northwest and beyond.

Activities and Responsibilities

Motivate, lead, and support the activities of your branch and its volunteers, be a point of contact for activity committee chairs, facilitate and enable communication between the branch and staff, facilitate appropriate new member ventures and initiatives, lead the effort to maintain a positive and collaborative culture, support volunteers, ensure that annual activities have adequate leadership and planning. As described in the Bellingham Branch Manual, the Chair also presides at general meetings of the Branch, coordinates and facilitates branch administration and serves as the public voice of the branch. The Chair, Chair-elect, or the Chair's designee also attends all meetings of the Managing Committee of The Mountaineers as a voice of the Bellingham members.

Qualifications Sought

- Commitment to the branch and organization vision
- Positive personal outlook
- Being someone who follows through on commitments while avoiding personal over-commitment
- Good listening and communication skills and an ability to relate to a broad range of personalities
- An ability to facilitate communication across a broad range of activities and Mountaineer stakeholders

Each situation and opportunity is different. No previous experience in this kind of role is required.

Support and Reporting

The Branch Chair is elected by the branch membership and leads the branch council. The Chair works with a committee of dedicated and friendly Branch Council members who share a love of The Mountaineers and work together as a team. In addition, Mountaineers staff are available to answer questions assist anyone in the position.

How to apply

To be considered for Bellingham Branch Chair, please contact Minda Paul at mindapaul@hotmail.com.

All members with sincere interest and realistic time to commit to this role are encouraged to apply!