

March 12, 2015
Saskatoon Nordic Ski Club
Executive Meeting
Held at Residence of Jan Sedgewick

Present: Dan Beveridge, Bruce Simms, Dorothy Quayle, Sheryl Riis, Kate Germin, Randy Chapman, Jan Sedgewick, Dan Brisbin, Eric Lamb. Regrets: Daryl Sexsmith

Meeting Chaired by Dan Beveridge. Minutes taken by Kate Germin.

1. Review correspondence: Letter of thank you from Regina Ski Club read by Kate Germin. The letter is to thank our club for well groomed trails at Eb's when their club visited on Jan 25'2015. The Regina club included a \$250 donation to help with Eb's Trails upkeep.
Eric Lamb reported that Jeff Thorpe will take over the membership forum. Eric will continue to work on the website. Members number have been 700 to 740 members for last 7 years. We have 725 members this year.
2. Order of business: approved with 2 additions – see item 4(a) and 14 below.
3. 2015-01-08 Executive meeting minutes approved.
4. SNSC move out of the boathouse – Report given by Kate Germin:
The move is going well. Within the next 2 weeks a larger container for equipment will be moved to the Wildwood, the present container from Wildwood will be moved to near Eb's trails. Once this is done, a date will be set to finish the move. The bigger equipment and supplies from the boathouse will be relocated in the various storing containers. The boxes of smaller items have already been moved out of the boathouse.
4 (a). Several boxes of old SNSC records dating back to the late 1970's to recent times have been moved to Jan Sedgewick's home.

Jan and Dan Brisbin have volunteered to look through these. Kate Germin will write a message for the next Kivilski to see if there are any members wanting to help with this process.

5. Dan Beveridge spoke on Board Performance Self Evaluation. See Supplementary Material below. Each executive member spoke briefly in self-reflective assessment with regard to question #2, #4 and #5. Dan has asked each executive member to continue with the self-evaluation process as we work toward efficiency and effectiveness.
6. City Recreation Master Plan: Dorothy Quayle and Jan Sedgewick spoke about the meeting that they went to for the City of Saskatoon planning. Saskatoon's commitment to a 'winter city' is positive for skiing. A concern is that cross-country skiing is low on the priority list. Jan talked about the meeting and ways in which the recreation planners now have a better understanding of Nordic skiing value. Partnering importance became clear. Example, if we want a serviced building in Kinsmen, we need to partner with other Saskatoon groups that will use it other months of the year. Nordic skiing meets all of the points in the future programming focus. It is noticed that facilities are lacking for winter. Skiers are encouraged to add their thoughts on the city website to promote Nordic skiing. The City site is open for comments. Facebook posting and general membership messages will be sent out to encouraged feedback from skiers to help reshape key points in the plan and perhaps increase the priority of Nordic skiing in the City Recreation Master Plan.
7. Budget - Daryl Sexsmith is away. Financial statements have been emailed to executive. No verbal report given at this time. Emailed report by Daryl: Revenue is on track and when the rest of our grants come we will meet our budgeted revenue of \$52,750. We should certainly achieve the \$3,600 budgeted surplus and probably a bit more.
8. Dorothy reported on Sport Trust donations: New Facility donations (part to use for the timing clock, see below, item #11) - \$1750,

City Grooming donations - \$350, Eb's Trails donations - \$1100.

9. Dan Brisbin spoke about The Saskatchewan Marathon Race Expo will be held at TCU Place on Saturday, May 30 from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Brief discussion about the value of SNSC having a booth to promote our club. The \$150 cost of the booth at Marathon Expo is agreed upon. Marathon Expo display – how do we want to display?
10. Our present big wooden boards are heavy and cumbersome. Poster display was not in this year's budget (would be in neighborhood of \$700). We could perhaps ask for photos to put together a display. Discussion took place on how to put together a display. Dan Brisbin volunteers to put this together. Dan will ask if we can borrow the Cross Country Saskatchewan (CCS) display. Discussion around how to put up displays without the cost of a new display. The purchase of our own new display board is tabled for now.
11. Race Timing Clock order is pending.
Motion from Dorothy Quayle to use \$1000 of the New Facility Sport Trust Donations to put towards the Race Clock. All in favor – passed. Bruce Simms will notify Robin Butler to now go ahead and order the clock.
12. Jan presented on how the initiative of opening of the Wildwood Clubhouse went this year. Opened every Saturday regardless of weather. Good attendance, depending on the weather of course. Jackrabbit families were invited to bring new families on one Saturday. Skis from CCS were used for new families to experience skiing. Demographic list was kept to see how often trails were used and how many were members or not. Hot chocolate was available. Friendships were formed and all had fun. Volunteers for 1-½ hours stints, worked well.
13. Safety – Sheryl talked on the progress of the 'Safety Guidelines for the Ski Tours and Hiking Programs'. Final layout of this document is for further discussion.

14. Saskatchewan Trails Association (STA) membership. Motion by Dan Beveridge to continue the SNSC membership in the STA at a fee of \$50/year. All in favor. Carried. Randy Chapman plans to attend their AGM this spring.
15. Next meeting – Thursday, Sept 3, 2015
AGM date – Wed, Oct 8, 2015
16. Meeting adjourned at 9:50pm

Supplementary Material

Board Evaluation

- 1) How well do you feel others listen to you? 0-10, why.
- 2) How well do you listen to others? 0-10, why.
- 3) How is influence/talking time distributed among the board? How do you feel about it?
- 4) What did you want to accomplish this term?
- 5) How well did you accomplish them?
- 6) What is the most important thing the board should do to improve performance?