



November 02, 2017
Saskatoon Nordic Ski Club
Executive Meeting Minutes
Held at Residence of Kate Germin

Present: Randy Chapman, Lane Zabolotney, Kate Germin, Sheryl Riis, Ivan English, Bruce Simms, Gail Motsi, Jeff Thorpe.

Regrets: Dan Brisbin.

Meeting Chaired by Lane Zabolotney. Minutes recorded by Kate Germin.

Meeting called to order by Lane Zabolotney at 7:15pm.

1. Review correspondence – Daryl Sexsmith previously looked after the club mail at the post office. Gail Motsi will take over this task. Lane Zabolotney will continue to respond to the club emails.
2. Approval of agenda – approved as presented.
3. Approval of previous minutes - Lane Zabolotney moves to approve the minutes from the Sept 7, 2017 executive meeting. Seconded by Ivan English. All in favor. Carried.
4. Business arising from previous minutes -
 - a. Meeting with city scheduled for Nov 17, at 1:30pm at City Hall 2nd floor meeting room - groomers will be invited.
 - b. Sponsorship from retailers – Dan Brisbin will look into this and present on it. He has already talked to Folks at Eb's Source of Adventure.
5. Discussion re AGM and follow up actions – Lane Zabolotney
 - a. Generally, the AGM it went well. We had 28 members in

attendance, which is similar to previous years. Thank you to Ivan English for his presentation on the Gordie Howe management area plans for our Vision 2020 home; it was well received. Membership feedback is to move ahead with the plans. It still needs to be very clear that we must get our main needs met, which is; further use of the Holiday Park Golf course.

b. Kate Germin will put the draft AGM minutes on the web site along with the proposed budget for 2017-18.

6. Financial report – Gail Motsi

- a. Report has been circulated.
- b. MAP Grant is not yet reflected.
- c. V-Boards have been invoiced but not yet paid.
- d. Membership registrations are going well so far this season.
- e. Discussion re new grooming machine – Ivan and Gail.
Purchase the best possible machine that can groom and move snow as well, no matter where we are using it to groom. Safe storage of a new grooming machine is also an issue. The executive will do the final approval once the groomers and equipment manager select the grooming machine.
- f. **Motion** – by Ivan English that we change the signatories at the bank; replacing Daryl Sexsmith with Gail Motsi but keeping Kate Germin and Jeff Thorpe. Seconded by Lane Zabolotney. All in favor. Carried.
Gail will set up a meeting at the bank to make the change.

7. Appoint additional directors

Motion – by Lane Zabolotney that we reappoint Sheryl Riis, Randy Chapman and Bruce Simms to the executive as directors. Seconded by Jeff Thorpe. All in favor. Carried.

8. Facilities report – Ivan English

Ivan is trying to set up meeting with Brian Kosteroski of FOBF. A meeting will be set up with Andrew Roberts from the City to discuss the plan that we proposed. Mike Norton will be working with us as our consultant to work out our plans with the City golf course architect, by the end of the year.

9. Adult/HiPer update – email report from Dan Brisbin

- a. Dan has talked to Kevin Robinson about the possibility of Eb's Source for Adventure offering membership benefits (discounts) and what conditions they'd ask for. He said he would talk to his partner and get back to us.
- b. The invoice for V Boards has been sent to our treasurer. Total \$2890.
- c. The Saski MAP grant cheque has been mailed to the treasurer.
- d. Alison and Geoff Meinert will coach the Saskatoon team for the 2018 Saskatchewan Winter Games (Feb 21 to 24) in North Battleford (ski races at Blue Mountain).
- e. We have one new Level 2 official from the course in Waskesiu in September (Sarah Brisbin).
- f. Dan Brisbin will ask the program chairs to confirm that all coaches have passed criminal record and vulnerable records checks.
- g. SNSC will host the Provincial Championships on Feb 10 and 11, 2018. The plan is a distance race at Blackstrap and a sprint at Holiday Park or Wildwood. Banquet at Gordie Howe Facility.
- h. Dan Brisbin will be running another officials course and we need people to participate. For the size of our club, compared to others in the province we have a poor track record for graduating officials.

10. Youth training/Ski at school update

No report at this time

11. Adult instruction – Bruce Simms

- a. Bruce has been contacted by the Saskatoon Hiking and Skiing Meetup Group. The group coordinator says they have about 200 members and they want to learn to ski. They wondered if we could supply lessons. The members do not want to join the club but want lessons. Bruce asks if perhaps we can give some kind of a deal on the lessons.

Plan: to encourage membership in our club for all the benefits especially that of skiing on well groomed trails. Reinforce that the membership fees are minimal and help to provide the equipment needed for volunteers to do their work. Bruce will look at planning a group lesson and membership deal.

- b. Bruce will teach extra classes this year as he now has his CANSI certification. Cliff Speer will also continue to teach classes as before.

12. Hiking report – Sheryl Riis

The hikes have been great with good participation this year.

13. Old business

- a. Website update

Lane has contacted Lesia of Lesia Designs and she feels that our website would need revamping completely. Lowell McLaren (a member) may be willing to help with this by working with a designer. All in agreement. Lane will contact him.

14. New business

- a. Search for new accountant - The ad will go again in the Kivilski that we need a new volunteer to review the finances. Jeff will send Gail the contact details of a member who is an accountant.

- b. Eb's Day is planned for Family Day weekend, Sunday, February 18, 2018.

- c. Gail Motsi feels that we should do something for Winter Shines this year. All in agreement. Plan: a one-day thing and hold it at the new Gordie Howe area. Encourage new Canadians. Use our supply of equipment to introduce skiing to the public. We will have displays and some small events. Maybe Jan 27th. Maybe in conjunction with the Speed Skaters marathon skate? Gail is willing to coordinate this.
 - d. Leisure Guide – Yes, we will go with the ad in the Leisure Guide again this year and Lane will submit it.
 - e. Gail has been participating in the Winter City Community Working Group. She will forward the link to the Winter City report to be discussed by the City on November 6th as well as an invitation from the Mayor to a Winter City Downtown design meeting on November 21st. She asked for permission from the executive to be identified as a representative of the SNSC on the City's website. Yes, we are all in favor.
15. Next meeting date – Jan 11, 2018. Place TBA.
16. Adjournment by Lane at 2100.