



January 11, 2018
Saskatoon Nordic Ski Club
Executive Meeting Minutes
Held at Residence of Gail Motsi

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

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

Meeting called to order by Lane Zabolotney at 7:10pm.

1. Review correspondence – Gail Motsi

1. Christmas card from FOTB
2. Email notices about the loppets in Saskatchewan from CCS
3. Daryl Sexsmith wants someone else to receive the CCS emails. CCS will now send emails to secretary@saskatoonnordicski.ca and info@saskatoonnordicski.ca
4. Posters (8) from CCS that has all of the loppets on it for the province. Executive members will post at Eb's, Wildwood, Clarence Downey (for Holiday Park), and Kinsmen Park.

2. Approval of agenda – approved as presented.

3. Approval of previous minutes - Lane Zabolotney moves to approve the minutes from the Nov 02, 2017 executive meeting. Seconded by Dan Brisbin. All in favor. Carried.

4. Business Arising from previous Minutes

- Lane Zabolotney - Meeting with the City on November 17, 2017. Wildwood clubhouse - A new counter has been installed. They are asking that we be careful around it. The Wildwood parking lot is going to be paved next fall. There is a chance our sea-can may be moved slightly, but that shouldn't cause any problems. We have the same terms and fee for use of the WW clubhouse this year, with the exception that the City is willing to let us use the clubhouse for free on weekends, provided they can advertise the hours to the

public. We would need to agree to provide some cleaning services and guarantee that the clubhouse would be open when advertised. We have the OK to design "no jogging or biking on the trails" signage, but the City wants to approve them before posting. They suggested that "picture" signs are more effective than words. We will still receive the yearly \$4000 from the city for our grooming Kinsmen and Wildwood.

- Hosting is set up for Wildwood Clubhouse starting next weekend. Tracy Kennedy has it all set up. Discussion re skiing in colder temperatures. No limits to temp. The City prefers for it to be open each weekend so they do not get questions about closures once they have done the advertising.
- Posting of AGM minutes and revised budget on the SNSC website – The minutes have been posted. Kate will assure the budget is there too.
- Change of bank signatories and postbox monitoring is done. Gail Motsi monitors the mailbox now.
- Winter Leisure Guide – Our Article is in there for 2018. We have been invoiced and paid the \$568.06.

5. Financial Report – Gail Motsi

Financial report circulated. Jeff reported that we now have 681 members, more than at this time last year. What is not reflected in the budgeted revenue is the \$4000 minor capital grant from the city that we designated for the new groomer. We are doing well revenue-wise. Still have money available for website revision and for planning of the new trails at Holiday Park. Update on National Sport Trust Fund was given – Gail will report this in Kivilski.

6. Facilities Update – Ivan English

We have a ski trail consultant's report (Mike Norton from Canmore) on possible trail improvements on the Holiday Park Golf course which has been submitted to the City and we are waiting for feedback. We may bring Mike back to work with the golf course architect at a later point. Important to have more trails on the golf course with lights and hills. A drawing of the building will be circulated. Access is from the north side of the building. Still working on how many hills will be in the close area for jackrabbits. This area will be lighted, with snow making equipment. Working with the other sporting groups, we will have hills but maybe not as many as we had first planned. The facilities committee has been asked to put together a business plan; we

are awaiting data on our portion of the operating costs. Ivan will circulate pictures of the proposed facility and the consultant's report.

7. Adult/HPR Update – Bruce Simms

- There has been good uptake of adult classes this year with 6 of 8 spots filled for the first lessons. Cold weather and lack of snow has been a challenge. Kinsman has been in decent shape, but this varies with the weather.
- Tuesday night Junior hyper - tryouts for the Sask winter games had a good turn out. There were Saskatoon racers at the LaRonge races.
- World Cup Para skiing in Canmore - participant Jessie Ehman from SNSC. We actually had a good contingent of Saskatoon teams, coaches and officials.
- Grapefruit cup off to a good start.
- SNSC has several members going to the World Masters in Minneapolis this month.
- We will host the Feb 3-4 Sask Provincial Cross Country Ski Championships at Wildwood. Dan Brisbin will get the final race notice out and call for volunteers. WW is open to the public those days. We have never had issues with having to close the racecourse due to public skiers in the past.

8. Youth Training/Ski at School Update – no report at this time.

9. Eb's update – Randy Chapman

- With minimal snow this year, tracks were set once in December. Waiting for more snow to get a better track.
- There were hunters with ATV's driving on the groomed tracks early in our ski season. Discussion re hunting in the ski trails area and skier's safety. People have a legal right to hunt there but the onus is on the hunter to be safe.

10. Touring Group update – Sheryl Riis

- Members are encouraged to sign up for the Yahoo touring group (NSCS_touring@yahoogroups.com) so as to see when the car pool groups are going out to Eb's trails. Conditions are also reported there.

11. Old Business

- Website update – Lane Zabolotney
Lane will talk to Lesia Deigns about removing/giving permissions to update the SNSC website and training each of the executive and program directors to do so.
- Search for new accountant – No one has responded to the ad placed twice in the Kivilski. Kate Germin will ask Gabe Ng, an accountant, if he is

interested in doing the Club's financial review. Daryl Sexsmith and Gail Motsi will be cc'd.

- Friends of the Bowl (FOTB) – Request for member contact info to be given to the FOTB. Discussion re privacy issues. Decision – that the FOTB will be given the emails for the SNSC Executive only. Due to privacy issues we will not give out the contact info of the whole membership body but FOTB can send emails to Jeff for circulation to the membership.

12. New Business

- WinterShines 2018 – Gail Motsi
Sask-Ski-Toon, Saturday, Jan 27, 2018 from 1200 to 1600 will be held at Wildwood Golf Course (WW). Jan is organizing instructors for novice adults and children; club ski equipment will be available. Hot drinks and a few snacks will be available. Volunteers will be needed to help with that day. Eb's Source of Adventure is setting up a ski-waxing clinic at the WW clubhouse that day. Blind skiers are invited and if any new visually impaired people would like to try to ski we encourage them to come out that day. Global Gathering and Open Door Society each have groups coming out at certain times.
- Talk of printing the trifold SNSC brochure once again to be available to the public at Wildwood. Jeff will revamp it and arrange printing.

13. Next Meeting Date – March 8th, 2018, Venue TBD.

14. Adjournment at 2120 by Lane.