

SNSC Draft Executive Meeting Minutes

November 4, 2021 at 7 p.m.

Venue: Zoom

Present: Ivan English, Gail Motsi, Robin Robinson, Kate Germin, Brian Anderson, Geoff

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Apologies: Susan Wall, Sheryl Riis

1. Guest Speaker – Val Drummond, member of the Public Advisory Group, Forest Management Plans for the Island Forests (including Nisbet Forest where Eb's Trails are located) briefed the Executive on the revised Forest Management Plan for 2021-2041. The Ministry of Environment has invited written comments from the public by November 15, 2021. After discussion about the importance of the Nisbet Forest for recreational use and the mandate of the Club, the Executive agreed to advise members via email and on Facebook about the invitation to comment and refer them to the reports. Jeff will draft the communication with Kate's support and circulate to the Executive for review.
2. Welcome New Executive – the returning members of the Executive and the one new member were welcomed on board for another season.
3. Approval of Agenda – Ivan moved and Brian seconded a motion to approve the agenda. Carried.
4. Review Correspondence – the Club continues to receive requests to groom, several people have volunteered to groom, queries about youth lessons and the ski swap were referred to Jana. The Executive agreed that an ad for Dakota Dunes Resort's ski trails can be placed in the Kivilski for the information of members. Ivan will discuss with FOTB where a bequest for Bill Bishopp can be used at GHSC, perhaps for ski racks.
5. Approval of Previous Minutes – September 16, 2021 – Ivan moved and Geoff seconded a motion to approve the minutes. Carried.
6. Business Arising from Previous Minutes (not covered under other items):
 - a. CCS Special Facility Grant Report – Gail to complete and submit.
 - b. CCS AGM was held and half of the Club's MAP Grant has been received.
 - c. Approval of Financial Statement (via email) – approved.
 - d. Approval of Draft 2021-22 Budget for AGM (via email, Sept. 21, 2021) – approved.
 - e. Membership cards – cards will continue to be issued this year and Jeff has a supply on hand. We will review the issue next year based on the requirements of our new facility and possibly a poll of members.
 - f. Toques and buffs – after considering the cost of the new toques and buffs and the price of similar quality items, the Executive agreed to set the sales price of the Club toques at \$30 and buffs at \$22. All of the items will be sold through Eb's Source for Adventure. If

Program Managers want to provide toques or buffs to coaches, they can purchase from Eb's and claim reimbursement from the Club.

7. SNSC AGM Follow Up – draft minutes have been circulated and comments are needed before the meeting with the City. There is one vacancy on the Executive and Kate proposed a member at large who is considering the offer. Gail has updated the Club's filing with ICS. Bank signatories need to be changed and then expense claims can be submitted to the new Treasurer, with copies to the bookkeeper.

Motion: That Brian Suderman (former treasurer) be replaced as a bank signatory by Robin Robinson (incoming treasurer). The other signatories, Jeff Thorpe and Sue Wall, will remain. Gail moved and Brian Anderson seconded. Carried.

Geoff mentioned that the speedskating club uses e-transfers for payments, with two electronic signatures require. Robin will pursue e-transfer payments with TD Canada Trust when she arranges for the change in signatories.

8. September 2021 Financial Report – Gail presented the September 2021 financial report. There was no revenue received and \$7,779 in expenses, but the season has just started.
9. City of Saskatoon meeting – Tuesday November 16, 1 p.m. – Gail, Ivan, Brian and Ken English will attend the meeting with Parks and Recreation. Given that there will be no storage in or near Kinsmen Park unless the Club rents a container for \$1,500, the Executive decided to advise the City that we will not be grooming at Kinsmen Park this year but are willing to groom all of Holiday Park. Club grooming at Kinsmen Park will be revisited next year if the City can provide storage. Brian will also ask the City if the Club can use their packer at HP.
10. Facility Update – In addition to paying for two dedicated dressing rooms and the storage shed, the Club will be invoiced for use on Wednesday night and Sunday for Jackrabbits. FOTB are negotiating with the City to pay for the facility to be open all day during the week to cover use by Ski At School and schools. Ivan is organizing a tour of the facility by programs (youth and adult instruction, blind skiers, SAS). Ivan will try to set up a coaches' meeting at GHSC on Wednesday, November 10th. GHSC requires that visitors over 12 years old be doubly vaccinated and Ivan will talk to them about how this will be managed during public hours.
11. Eb's Trails – Gail and Kate are working on the application to the National Sports Trust Fund for Eb's Trails improvements, with assistance from Nancy. The trails were cut wider this year, and some could be double tracked. The Defender will remain at Eb's.
12. Youth and Hi-Per update – youth training is expected to start on November 15th.
13. Touring update – 6 successful fall hikes have been held at Eb's Trails. The last hike is planned for this Sunday with a "Bring Your Own Wiener Roast". During the ski season we

will continue to meet on Sundays at 11 a.m. at Eb's Trails so that people can ski together. Members are encouraged to connect via Groups.io to arrange other ski outings or trips.

14. Adult instruction fee increase (via email, October 4, 2021) – approved.
15. Loppet, January 23rd, 2022 – Gail outlined the various issues that need to be addressed to hold the Loppet in January. A committee will be set up to plan, including Ivan, Geoff and Jana. Dan Brisbin and Jan Sedgewick are available to be consulted. Geoff will consider whether there is a parent who might be interested in and capable of organizing the Loppet under contract.
16. Next Meeting Date – Thursday, December 15, 2021
17. Adjournment at 9:00 p.m.