

February 11, 2016 Saskatoon Nordic Ski Club Executive Meeting Minutes Held at Residence of Kate Germin

Present: Dan Beveridge, Sheryl Riis, Randy Chapman, Lane Zabolotney, Daryl

Sexsmith, Bruce Simms, Kate Germin.

Regrets: Jeff Thorpe, Dan Brisbin

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

Meeting called to order by Dan Beveridge at 7:10pm.

1. Review correspondence: We received a poster re Lake Louise Loppet on March 6th, 2016. The information will be posted at Wildwood.

- 2. Approve order of business:
- 3. Review 2016-01-07 Executive meeting minutes:

 Dan Beveridge had some amendments to make. -This will be done on Google Drive and approved at next Executive meeting.
- 4. SNSC Executive Composition:

<u>President</u> - Dan Beveridge is willing to stay on as president for another term as no one has stepped forward to take this position. **Motion:** by Randy Chapman that we appoint Dan Beveridge as president for the remainder of the 2015 - 2016 year. All in favor. Carried.

<u>Vise President/Past president/President elect</u> – Discussion re these three position titles and roles. Dan Beveridge is in favor of a president elect position. The easiest solution for now would be for Dan Brisbin to continue as Past President and for Lane Zabolotney to be appointed as Vice President. <u>Motion</u>: by Randy Chapman

that Dan Brisbin remains as Past President and that Lane Zabolotney be appointed Vice President. All in favor. Carried.

Members at Large (MAL) - There is one vacant MAL position. It is the general opinion that if members are expressing an interest to be on the SNSC Executive, let's do all we can to give them the opportunity to do so. At present our max is 10 executive members. Motion: by Daryl Sexsmith to increase the maximum number of directors from 10 to 15. All in favor. Carried. We had three guest members at the last Executive meeting - Alex Ernesaks, Sabina Proctor and John Srayko expressed interest re being on the board. John is into communications and has been doing website work for us already. Sabina has experience as a board member for other groups.

- 5. Zone 4 fees: Cross Country Canada (CCC) will pay the \$1 per person this year. SNSC will pay the \$1 per cart fee and the 3% per total cart cost. We will clarify if CCC paid this last year.
- 6. Groomer and Ski-at-School equipment insurance: Usually insurance is requested when things are purchased with grant money. We currently have insurance on the Rhino and the two newer snow machines. Discussion re risks of insurance needs being highest during transport of equipment. Discussion re possible theft of the Tidd Tech machines since they are left out at the city ski areas during the season. Discussion re value of insurance versus going without insurance and that insurance is to protect us against a catastrophic event. Daryl Sexsmith has done some preliminary checking into the insurance. Limit of \$20K would be about \$400 to \$500 per year. That would be replacement costs for the first 5 years of equipment. Daryl will ask for a firm insurance quote. Discussion re insuring the new Ski-at-School skis/boots/poles. Daryl will look into insuring these as well.
- 7. Equipment accounting: Daryl Sexsmith We have three depreciation options. 1. Go forward with only depreciating the newly purchased equipment. 2. Go with only

depreciating less than 5-year-old equipment. 3. Go with our old way of just paying the expense as it is purchased. Some years there will be no heavy costs. Common practice for non-profit organizations is writing it off in the first year. Best practice for accounting is to do the depreciation, but how to start this is the quandary. **Motion:** by Daryl Sexsmith, that we

start this is the quandary. **Motion:** by Daryl Sexsmith, that we depreciate only new equipment starting this season on a straight-line depreciation basis. All in favor. Carried.

8. Ski at school in kind contribution:

We will count 25% of the total time grooming at Wildwood as inkind for the Ski-at-School Program (this will be charged at \$25/hour/grooming person). Discussion re which grants to fairly use to devote to each project. We will await firm budget costs at the end of the season for other than in-kind costs.

- 9. Letter to the Minister requesting reinstate grooming at the Prince Albert National Park: With the change of federal government we feel it is time to make this request again. **Plan:** Daryl Sexsmith will find the old letter that we wrote about this 5 years ago. We will review and update it.
- 10. National Sport Trust Fund (NSTF): Randy Chapman Our balances are:

Project 7 (Cross Country Ski Facility) - \$1,075

Project 8 (Grooming City Trails) - \$675

Project 9 (Eb's Trails) - \$1,925

- 11. Information Saskatchewan Provincial Cross Country Ski Championships will be held at the Willows this year due to poor snow conditions at Blackstrap. Dates: Feb 27 and 28, 2016.
- 12. Facilities update.

We are moving ahead with Holiday Park, Gordie Howe, Campground and the old Sanatorium site. We propose that we use that land and set some ski trails in that area. We have discussed erecting a small building of our own or partnering with the Saskatoon Speed Skating Club to share their facility. The city

- will be renovating their facility. The next step is to build alliances and present our ideas to the Speed Skate club, the Community Association, and then a proposal to the City of Saskatoon.
- 13. The SNSC Bus trip to the La Ronge Loppet (March 5th) is open Feb 20th until Feb 29th to register on Zone4. There are 0 registrants so far. The trip may be cancelled for lack of interest. We will send one more email to the membership. We will also update the information on the SNSC home page. Discussion re inviting other clubs, like picking skiers up in PA.
- 14. Next meeting date is March 24, 2016 at Kate Germin's residence.
- 15. Meeting adjourned by Dan Beveridge at 8:45pm