

Wapiti Nordic Ski Club – Executive Meeting  
Wednesday, January 19th, 2005.

**Attending:**

Grant Bourree	Gord Meyers	Ken Perry	Eric Chislett
Shirley Olson	Marlene Cooper	Laurie Rempel	Cori Janes
Ken Alton	Doris Gordon		

Regrets: Michael Morgan, Blaine Richter. Ken Lumbis was stuck on Hwy 40 in freezing rain.

**Approval of Minutes from Dec. 15<sup>th</sup>, 2004.**

Motion to accept minutes by Shirley Olson, seconded Gord Meyers.

**Business Arising from Minutes**

- ATCO Follow-up – Ken P and Gord. Gerald was out to do a baseline of power usage and was going to come back to see how much power we are using. Gerald is still investigating the summer costs.
- Propane Rebates – Blaine has been checking on the propane rebate. There is one rebate for having a remote location, and one if the price of gas is over \$5.
- Emergency Response Plan – Michael unable to be at meeting. Gord has checked and the emergency vehicles are 2 wheel drive so we would need the ski-doo to get someone off the trails. Emergency staff would like a list of members who have access to the ski-doo in case it is needed.

**New Business**

- Bombi Sale Plan – Blaine. Motion tabled at last meeting. There may be other machines we could be investigating that would be smaller and work better. Gary Boyd will get his brother here to investigate how much work it needs. Most machines come from downhill areas. Ken has seen one – near Costco - and will ask if they know who uses them. **Eric made a motion to table the sale of the Bombi until the February meeting.**
- Cadet Weekend - January 22-23, 2005. There is also a 6-pac race and the High Level Club will be coming down for the race. There are about 22 racers for the Cadets. On Feb. 4.5 and 6<sup>th</sup> there will be about 40 racers.
- 6 Pac race Jan 23<sup>rd</sup> – Shirley will organize with Cori's help. Eric will design the course with Ken Perry packing the trail.
- Grants and Sponsors: Grant reviewed the grants we are receiving.
  - Sons' of Norway – We have purchased skis the last 2 years with a \$2000 grant. First year jackrabbits get free rental of skis. Cori would like to look at having skis for second year Jackrabbits as well. **Eric made a motion that we ask the Sons' of Norway to continue to support the Jackrabbit program. Seconded by Cori. Carried.** Cori will write a letter.

- Geomatics – This is a new company in Grande Prairie, who is willing to offer support. **Grant made a motion that Gord approach Geomatics and follow-up with ideas for sponsorship. Seconded Cori. Carried.** Gord please follow up with Ken Lumbis.
- Chicks and Sticks – Laurie has applied to Peace Country Health Community Grants for extra skis for rentals. There have been 22 women out the last 2 Mon. nights.
- Clarica – Has offered support.
- Weyerhaeuser – They have developed the Forest Trails and the Forest Education program. They have made a grant of \$1,500 in previous years, although this year they may provide up to \$3,000 to maintain the Forest Trails, etc. They also sponsor the Moonlight Skis and employee ski weeks.

Note: The next Casino will be in 3 years.

### Director's Reports

Grant asked that each Director report on their stress level (1,2 or3) as reports are given.

- ◆ Treasurer – A report from Blaine was distributed. Sharon is detailing revenues and expenses. Blaine spent 6 hours putting memberships into Cross Country Alberta. The input is not user friendly!
- ◆ Trail Director – Eric. On Christmas Day Eric and Henry took 4 hours to clean the trails of trees after the windstorms. Two people have helped Eric tremendously. Improvement is still needed in the stadium area, for example a 1 km. trail from the stadium.
- ◆ Equipment Maintenance and Grooming – Grant continues to be pleased at how well the trails are getting groomed. Currently people groom what they want, but there is still a need for coordination. Work is getting done! The white board helps to know what is being done. Gord is keeping track of what has been groomed.
- ◆ Biathlon – Seems to moving along well.
- ◆ Technical Director – For discussion next week.
- ◆ Facility Maintenance – Ken P. Seems to be running smoothly. The fireplace has been fixed. The bathrooms didn't freeze when it was cold!
- ◆ Ski Development – Shirley. Ski lessons for adults start Saturday.
- ◆ Jackrabbits - Cori and Ken. Feb. 12<sup>th</sup> will be Becky Scott Sprint Races. Anybody who wants to help contact Cori. Cori would like to mark stations around the Forest Trial for jackrabbit activities.
- ◆ Marketing - The table at the Banff Mountain Film Festival was well received. The "Chicks on Sticks" article in the Tribune was excellent. *Ken would like to get a newsletter out soon so get in your articles!*
- ◆ Lodge Coordinator – Marlene. There are already 6 rentals for the summer. The Pathfinders are disappointed with the weather so far but are enjoying the skiers and their positive outlook! We should all check the water bottles when we are out to make sure there is enough water. Things are going well but there still needs to be some fine tuning!

- ◆ Member at Large – Laurie. ‘Chicks’ going well!
- ◆ Gord - Gord is recommending a change to the snowshoe fee as it exists. **Grant made a motion that the snowshoe day pass be \$5.00 and the rental be \$5.00. Seconded Shirley. Carried.** Eric noted that work has gone into developing the snowshoe trails and the trails will still continue to require maintenance. Gord as asked that he determine when the lodge is utilized the most and that his time be used then. Grant thanked Gord for his flexibility to respond to the peak demands. There still needs to be work done on the rentals. The College skis are not working well for rentals.
- ◆ President – Grant. It has been great to see the snow and all the new members out! Thank you to everyone for their hard work!

Adjourned 9:14 p.m.

Next Meeting

Wednesday, February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2005.

7 p.m.