

# Wapiti Nordic Ski Club – Executive Meeting

Wednesday, April 19, 2006

Attending:

Cori Janes

Blaine Richter

Grant Bourree

Ken Lumbis

Ken Alton

Ken Perry

Eric Chislett

Gord Meyers

Doris Gordon

Meeting called to order 7:09

## **Approval of Minutes from March (issued by email)**

Motion to approve by Ken Perry, seconded Ken Lumbis. Carried.

## **Business Arising from Minutes**

- Process to Develop Committees and Committee Members – The new governance model will be in place. The director will be responsible for structuring the committees and potential committee members. There could be increased use of the website – for example a blog could be set up on the sidebars for each interest group. Updates for the committee could be emailed or use the website – depending on the communication preference of your committee.
- Ken Perry suggested that for the upcoming grooming decision he would want to talk to committee members, come up with options, and then bring up recommendations to the executive. The idea is that the director takes ownership for developing a footprint for each committee.

## **New Business**

- Capital Items and enhancements for consideration
  - New grooming machine
  - Grooming equipment
  - Quad (for summer trail use)
  - Hire a part-time groomer
  - Replacement of tables/chairs/ barbecues
  - Replacement of equipment for biathlon
  - V-Boards – Plastic or wood?

There was a discussion of how much money there is in reserve and how we can raise more from sponsors and donations. Ken P. felt we should look at promoting off-season use, especially as skiing has only been 3 months lately. Others feel we should focus on skiing – focus on what we do best. So should we be looking at making snow? How does this fit into a 2,3,5 or 20-year plan?

Our current mandate is to provide the best skiing we can and the priority is to improve grooming and trails. Our current grooming equipment isn't adequate for the job. Grant outlined several options that he has looked at

over the past year. The only real snow machine that is built for x-c grooming is the Sherpa Alpina (unless you want to spend major money on a new Bombi). The committee will look at fund raising opportunities and will try to have something in place by this Fall.

- Discussion of 5 year planning process – Gord. November 2001 was the first 5-year plan. Gord reminded us that we need to continue to look at it. Since 2003 there has not been an update. Do we need to look at another 5-year plan? Do we need to look at by-laws and constitutions? Gord wondered how the partnering in the plan was going? (i.e. Dunes, Weyerhauser) The plan also suggested a nominating committee to look for new executive. Gord suggested that we get another full day with a facilitator. Eric, Gord and Cori agreed to look at the plan and come up with a direction for the planning process.

### **Director and Coordinator Reports**

- Treasurer - Blaine. We seem to be in an OK position right now. The rental income will cover remaining expenses. The major expenses still outstanding are the city insurance and the CCA fees. The remote heating rebate was \$900.
- Trails and Facilities – Ken P. Eric is continuing work on the trails. A few areas still need to be fenced off. Eric says lots of trees need to be cut down. Eric said he will have work committees on Saturdays. Ken P. needs to change a few lights and check on the eaves trough. There is a concern that rentals don't drive vehicles in the stadium area.
- Jackrabbits – Cori. Good
- Ken Alton – All things fine.
- Ken Lumbis – Things fine.
- Hosting – Eric. Eric wants us to set up a 3-day race the long weekend in February. This could be our signature race. Probably a race Friday afternoon, races Sat and Sun and something on Monday. Questions about whether Biathlon would want to host a race.
- President – Grant. Weyerhauser will be out tomorrow doing some filming. Grant is encouraging people to look at ideas for fundraising.

Adjourn 9:09p.m.