

Wapiti Nordic Ski Club – Executive Meeting

Wednesday, February 15, 2006

Attending:

Grant Bourree	Blaine Richter	Michael Morgan	Cori Janes
Eric Chislett	Ken Alton	Marlene Cooper	Doris Gordon

Meeting Called to order at 7:08 p.m.

Approval of Minutes from Jan (issued by email)

Motion to approve by Cori Janes, seconded Ken Alton. Carried.

Grant passed on the excellent feedback he received on the Sloppet, with participants coming from Hay River, Devon and Tumbler Ridge. At this point 40 people have now skied in at least 1 6-pac. People have appreciated using the new Zone 4 software. The drawback is the need for a 30 min. deadline for registration. We should consider letting “late comers” still ski, but they will not get an official time.

Business Arising from Minutes

- No walking signs/ gates: Discussion for next year. The gate on the Forest Trails has worked well to stop walking on the Forest trail. What can we do for North trails? Discussion about whether we should have dogs on trails? Can we stop the walkers? A suggestion was to get big, ugly signs – perhaps have signs that show when it is Ok to walk and when it is time to ski.

New Business

- Incentive program for next year. Do we need to consider further reductions for “earl bird” membership? Do we need to wait until next year?
- Loppet – Recognition/Awards – Year End Banquet - Good turnout at the loppet, there were over 50 people and great feedback. Trophies from the Sons of Norway will be handed out at the banquet. Potluck is a go for the banquet. Discussion about Junior skier award. Blaine will get the plaques for the Juniors.
 - Banquet – March 25th Spring General Meeting 4 p.m. Dinner at 6pm
 - Coordinator – Cori

Director’s Reports

- Treasurer – Blaine. We are still doing all right budget wise as utility costs are lowed than anticipated and the weather has been warm. Blaine passed around a FAQ pamphlet about annexation. We are OK with our lease until it is titled to someone else – either the city or county. We need to start with the provincial government if we are looking to start a

discussion for title for us. Blaine said our insurance policy with the city will be still all right for this year. **Blaine made a motion to make a Special Resolution at the Spring Meeting to change our year-end to an April 30th year-end. Seconded Eric. Carried.**

- Biathlon – Michael. Biathlon is going strong with 12 skiers out, as well as 6 Biathlon Bears. The last race in Hinton had 10 participants. Peter got a 1st and 2nd, Rick, Michael and James got a 1,2,3 placing. Greg Poirier got 1st both days. Penny received a 3rd and 4th, and she was skiing against members of the National Development team! There will be 5 participants going to the Alberta Winter Games. Biathlon Bears will finish the same time as Jack Rabbits.
- Jackrabbits – Cori. Jackrabbits going well. The canteen has been a success and is being kept busy. There are 3 girls in the 'Go Ski Girls' group. The parents appreciate seeing the progression of the Jackrabbits.
- Trail Director – Eric. Eric questioned whether we should try and solicit a bigger race in the next few years to gain capital for the club. Should we try the Canada Masters? Perhaps the Cadet Nationals in the next few years?
- Equipment Maintenance – Ken A. After the wind there were about 30 trees to get off the trail. Ken appreciated the help getting the trail set up and taken down after the Sloppet.

Spring meeting is coming up. Blaine suggested new positions could be a Chair of Events and a Chair of Races. We need to start thinking about getting new people involved.

Meeting Adjourned.