

Wapiti Nordic Ski Club – Spring General Meeting

Saturday, March 31, 2007

Attending:

Ken Perry	Melissa England	Greg Poirier	James Proudfoot
Penny Thompson	Gord Meyers	Ken Lyle	Randy Hopkins
Ken Alton	Cori Janes	Karen Hansen	Paul Hansen
Michael Morgan	Peter Watson	Greg Gourlay	Brad Tomlinson
Tara Malmsten	Claire Richter	Blaine Richter	Grant Bourree
Dave Lincoln	Colin Hansen	Eric Chislett	Dave Jaeger
Doris Gordon			

Meeting called to order at 4:10 p.m.

Welcome and Attendance

Grant welcomed everyone and mentioned that with this great snow we should be out skiing. This has been the longest ski season ever, with snow starting October 27th until now. We should be skiing for the next couple of weeks. This has been a successful year with over 500 members. Some days every set of skis were rented out. The Jackrabbits wrapped up the season with a visit from Beckie Scott.

Minutes from Fall AGM – November 2006.

A motion to accept the minutes was made by Greg Pourier and seconded by Greg Gourlay. Carried.

Business Arising

- Purchase of New Capital Equipment – There has been fairly consistent feedback that good trails are important to the members. A variety of options were looked at to replace the two skidoos. At the last AGM members were given notice about the purchase of a sherpa. Successful fundraising provided enough capital to purchase 2 sherpa's.
- There have been operational grants this year from Weyerhaeuser, Canfor, the County and Son's of Norway. Other pending grants include CFEP and Community Foundation. In addition both of the Skandics have been sold and the casino netted almost \$50,000. A budget for the Arctic Winter Games has also been submitted. **Blaine made a motion that the general membership of the club accept the purchase of a second Sherpa. Seconded Randy Hopkins. Carried.** It was decided to keep the old alpine to use out on the trails. The Bombi is still used and there is some reluctance to sell it. Ken A. is looking for ice cleats for the Sherpa. The Bombi worked well this winter with the ice. The Sherpa was used 400 hours this winter. There were comments from the members that there should have been notification (perhaps email) to let members know that the Sherpa had been purchased.

New Business

- Five Year Plan – Cori The Five Year Plan was distributed. Steve Magusin has been talking with Alberta Lands to look at recreational leases. The last discussion on the highway was that it was to stay north of the trails. Thanks to Andy Beal for organizing the letter writing campaign. Cori reviewed the plan. Thanks to Cori for keeping the 5 year plan.
- Arctic Winter Games Awarded to GP/ Alberta Cup – Ken L./ Grant – Ken and Grant have sent 'wish list' for requested funding. There was a successful Biathlon Race this year and next year we will be looking at an Alberta Cup in January.
- Executive Structure – Last year the executive had looked at the CCC model, with smaller executive but many committees. The size of the executive this year seemed small so a different structure was looked at with some committee work.
- Other Business - Gord asked about non-budgeted capital items needing a motion from the membership but at present there is nothing in the motion book. Could decisions be made by email? Is there a difference between new capital vs repairs? **Michael Morgan made a motion that the executive have the approval to purchase new capital items up to \$5,000. Seconded Blaine Richter. Carried. Michael Morgan made a motion that prior to the fall AGM the executive develop a process for gaining approval for expenditures over \$5,000. Seconded Gord. Carried.**

Financial Report

- Blaine distributed the Treasurer's Report and answered questions.

Director and Coordinator Reports

- Facilities and Trails – Ken P/Eric – Thanks to Eric and his crews for being out in May working on the trails. There were a number of improvements this year. The North trails were revived for the Loppet this year.
- Maintenance – Ken P/Grant – The new Sherpas should provide for good trail grooming for the foreseeable future. Thanks for all the great trails and the grooming this year. Thanks Gary and Mark's Hauling for cleaning snow from the parking lot.
- Biathlon – Michael – There have been over a dozen members older than 14 coming out from September through the whole season. There have been a dozen Biathlon Bears. Penny, Greg and Rick are all leaders in their class in the Calforex Cup. After hosting the Western Championships there were many positive comments about the facilities, trails and volunteers. Thanks to the race volunteers and sponsors! Thank you to the athletes who come out, work hard and support each other.
- Marketing – Ken L- Thanks to Ken L for his work this year. Newsletters

- have been sent electronically. There was a successful season opener.
- Lodge Coordinator – Marlene left in September and has left a huge hole. Thanks to Sharon for working on the weekend and also to Michael.
 - Jackrabbits – Cori – There was another great year with 41 skiers. All the skiers got to talk to Beckie. Thanks to Andy Beal for sponsoring her visit to the club and Thanks to the Sons of Norway – the complimentary ski program continues to work well.
 - Junior Racers – Blaine and Claire – This was a great year with 7 skiers. They were an awesome group who skied and trained their hearts out. They came just short of medaling in many cases. They are really improving and the coaches and parents were very proud!
 - President – Grant - Thanks to all the volunteers from the casino, to the wood choppers to the executive, who all make our club special.

Nominations for Executive – Greg and Gord

Thanks to Greg and Gord for being the nominating committee.

Position	Nomination	Move for nominations to Cease	Declared
President	Grant Bourree	Dave Lincoln	Yes
V.Pres.	Cori Janes	Claire Richter	Yes
Secretary	Colleen Gagnon	Ken Lyle	Yes
Treasurer	Tara Malmsten	Blaine Richter	Yes
<u>Directors</u>			
Marketing	Laurie Lyle	James Proudfoot	Yes
Facilities	Ken Perry	Michael Morgan	Yes
Trails	Ken Alton	Peter Watson	Yes
Athlete Dev CC	Blaine Richter	Ken Lyle	Yes
Athlete Dev Biathlon	Michael Morgan	Ken Alton	Yes
Programs	Melissa England	Michael Morgan	Yes

Authority for signing cheques and managing the books will move Tara Malmsten, the new Treasurer. Signing authority will also be retained by Grant Bourree the incumbent President.

Thanks to Eric for his work on the executive and his many contributions throughout the years.

Grant welcomed the new members to the Executive. In April the executive will look at the Mission statements.

Thanks to the Executive for their support this year.

AGM adjourned at 5:42 p.m.

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