



**Wapiti Nordic Ski Club Spring General Meeting  
Approved  
Saturday, April 28, 2018**

**Welcome and Attendance**

Meeting Called to Order at 11 a.m., 18 in attendance.

Grant welcomed everyone to the meeting, and mentioned that people are still skiing.

The Wax-a-thon was very successful and finished early thanks to Claire, the race team and the magic wax machine!

It has been an amazing ski year and Grant thanked all the members who stepped up and helped while he was recuperating.

**Approval of Minutes from Fall General Meeting - November, 2017**

Davis made a motion to accept the minutes, Seconded Leonard. Carried.

**New Business**

- Alberta Summer Games - The co-hosts for the summer games are the City of Grande Prairie and the County of Grande Prairie, with WNSC being the venue for the Mountain Biking. Lori is the Sports Chair, Cori is the Venue Chair and Christine is working with the County. Lori is still looking for volunteers. If you are able please register on the Alberta Summer Games Website.
- Summer Membership Fees - The new fees for the Summer Memberships are \$40 for Adult and \$100 for family. So far we have sold 76 summer memberships.
- Multi-Use Trail - Matt has suggest that this winter the snowshoe trail also be used by fat bikes as well as runners and walkers. Matt reported that there would be controls where trails cross. The benefits would be a good use of our lease and more trail advocacy. Matt talked about grooming equipment for snowshoeing, although the snowshoers would use the trail with fresh snow and the bikes could use it when it has been packed by snowshoes. Matt has approached Alberta Lands about the approval of the trails. Those in attendance were supportive of the initiative, as long as there is control of use of the trails. Grant thanked Matt for his good work.
- Group Rate Matrix - Christine presented the Group RATE Matrix in response to requests for group rentals. The matrix looks at public, private, races and not for profit groups renting the facility. There were questions bout insurance, liability, and invoicing. Christine is developing a form to fill out prior to rentals.

- Membership Numbers for 2017-18 - There were 701 winter memberships. There was \$1,375 in donations with the memberships and \$1,235 in K9 donations. So far there have been 76 summer memberships sold.
- Staffing for 2017-18 - Grooming and Maintenance continues to be done by Crawford. Sharon has worked for Saturday rentals, book keeping and cleaning the lodge. Thank you Sharon and Crawford for your work!

### **Financial Report**

- Lori presented the 2017-18 Year to Date Financial Report, and it was distributed to those present.

### **Director and Coordinator Reports**

- Trails - Cori - This year Cori has been working on signage for the lower trails. Cori sends her regrets as she is out of province.
- Member At Large - Matt has worked to input all the single track bike trails and ski trails on the app Trailforks. Thank you Matt. The app lets you see where you are, and there is a trail data base for around the globe. The construction of the bike park is to start soon. This has been supported by Fourward.
- Facilities - Ken- This year the Celtic sports program operated by the Catholic School District has used the facility. There were 185 students in total, with one or two classes at a time using the trails.
- Biathlon - Davis - Athletes attended both the Arctic Winter Games and the Alberta Winter Games. They have had a great season. The Bears are doing well and some will be moving up. The group is looking at getting more rifles for Bears.
- Cross Country Race Team - The team has had a great season. There was an early start to the season. The team attended Alberta Cup races and Noram races all with great results. The Team has been recognized as the most improved club of a medium size by Cross Country Canada. Claire and Carolyn have been coaching this year. Claire and Makenna went with Team Alberta to a pre-Olympic event in Korea. This was a fabulous experience for both of them! Claire was also asked to help coach the Canadian B Team in Europe this winter. This is a great experience with knowledge to bring back to the club.
- Jackrabbits - Dan reported that there were 54 skiers in the group, including Bunnies, Jackrabbits and Track Attack. There were also new leaders in the group.
- Programs - Chicks continues to be successful with an average of 20 ladies per night. The money raised by Chicks has been used to purchase 8 pair of snowshoes to rent next winter. The Tanks program ran on Wednesdays, with an increase in membership, with 5 - 8 members each night. The Adult Lessons were very busy this winter. There were some new instructors, and lessons were taught in the evening as well as on the weekends. Connie also had a group that signed up for a 4 week, 2X a week session. Throughout the winter there were several special activities. The Family Day Hot Dog Roast was very successful, with great weather.
- Marketing - Christine has been working on the new website - and it looks great. There are over 500 visitors per week. Christine says it is still a work in progress. The most popular page is the trail condition page. At this time 40 people have signed up for the electronic newsletter. There have been lots of referrals from Facebook. There

were questions from the floor of the meeting about installing a weather station at the club, the operation of a webcam, or attaching a GPS to the groomer. Many of these require an internet connection at the club. There are many Facebook followers. Information is presented in the Community Connections booklet.

- Vice President - Michael was unable to attend the meeting and sent his regrets.
- President - Grant reported that the ski club had a great year. He has appreciated the help of many as he was recuperating.

### **Nominations for Executive**

The following people let their names stand for the following positions.

- President - Grant Bourree
- Vice- President - Michael Morgan
- Treasurer - Lori Brough
- Secretary - Doris Gordon
- Trails - Matt Wild
- Biathlon - Randy Hopkins
- Cross Country Race Team - The team will confirm a parent's name.
- Jackrabbits - Dan Martin
- Marketing - Christine
- Member at Large - Liz Tinworth
- Program -
- Facilities - Ken Perry and Cori Janes

Ballots were distributed to vote for the Facilities position. Cori won the election. Ballots were destroyed.

Grant thanked Ken for his work as Facilities Director.

Dan made a motion to accept the executive positions as read. Seconded Geo Rawlins. Carried.

Shannon made a motion for the meeting to be adjourned. Seconded Liz. Carried.