

## **WNSC Board Meeting Agenda**

Date Wednesday, December 20th @ 7:00 pm

Location In person, Steve Cooper Lodge

Attending Michael, Cori, Geo, Christine, Cam, Matt, Ken A, Eric, Serge, Franco

Regrets Randy, Ken P.

1.0 MEETING OPENING	
Item	Responsibility
1.1 Welcome	Michael
Called to order at 7:01pm & quorum confirmed	
1.2 Approval of Agenda	Michael
> By consensus	
> Added 1.4.0 "Acknowledgments and Thank You"	Mishaal
1.3 Approval of November 2023 Minutes	Michael
<ul> <li>Moved by: Matt; seconded Ken A.</li> <li>1.4 Old Business / Business Arising</li> </ul>	
	Michael
<ul> <li>1.4.0 Acknowledgements and Thank You":</li> <li>Received by aluminum fencing via AB Winter Games grant from County of GP 30 x sections (coach box at biathlon) + 24 sections (for general crowd control &amp; course delineation). Thanks to Freedom Machine (Nikki &amp; Shawn Wallace) received the shipment and brought them out &amp; to Doris Gordon who organized a volunteer work bee to unload and place in storage locations</li> <li>Biathlon has been lighting a short section around the range and thanks to Swamp Dodgers water hauling who provided a temporary light plant to help assist visual due to lack of snow</li> <li>Doris &amp; Melissa have the Chicks program running despite lack of snow. Has ladies out hiking with headlamps – thanks for adapting to conditions!</li> <li>Dominic Michaud has been in contact with Ginzu to get set up the Skandic as a grooming machine.</li> </ul>	Michael
<ul> <li>Helix Engineering did a great job on the lease survey and came in under quote.</li> </ul>	
Land Solutions help with Management plan	
1.4.1 Lease Renewal > No update	Matt
1.4.2 Alberta Winter Games 1.4.2.1 Preparations Update	Michael



## 1.4.2.2 Venue Enhancements

## 1.4.2.3 Facility Rental Submission

> (all) Participating in ongoing meetings to discuss logistics for warm up tents etc. Have received the clocks and fencing sections; left over County Games grant money will go towards new ski forms. Using new clocks for biathlon training as they were intended as a Games legacy item not just for during the event.

1.4.3 Policy / Bylaw Update

> No update / work is ongoing – will circle back when Games over

Michael

2.0 OPERATIONS COORDINATOR	
Item	Responsibility
2.1 Operations Coordinator Report > Accepted as presented / attached. North is working at the Lodge on Fri/Sat/Sun/Mondays focusing on the highest priority items.	Michael
<ul> <li>2.1.1 Membership issue with Nordiq Alberta/Canada membership</li> <li>Zone 4 has been slow to respond - we are providing updates to those that inquire and dealing with it on an "as needed" basis. Those who didn't get the 10% discount on November 30<sup>th</sup> – we are working through those who missed out and cutting cheques as Club directly controls these funds.</li> </ul>	Michael

3.0 NEW BUSINESS: OPERATIONS	
Item	Responsibility
3.1 Program Director, welcome Cori, position discussion > Unanimous welcome to Cori Janes as Program Director effective immediately. Discussion to clarify the role of Program Director as the linkage between club programs and the Board and Ops Coordinator; or someone to help find a new "owner" for a program or club event, but Board will still help. Goal is to create and document a Position Description for this as it evolves = will be important to draft sooner than later to manage expectations.	Michael
3.1 "No Snow" plan 3.1.1 Activities through the holiday period > Going to organize a fun social event on Sat, Dec 30. ACTION:	Michael, Christine
Christine to email Cori, North and others to outline a plan and coordinate efforts	
3.1.2 Program impacts and implications	



	Jackrabbits: Have given out skis. Will be activities Jan 6 <sup>th</sup> onwards regardless; usually 9 weekends; plan is to shift it back into March.	
>	Biathlon and XC Ski Development Team: adapting as needed.	
>	Chicks: providing alternative activities	
	Adult Lessons: Going to check with North on	
	preparation for when snow comes so everything lined	
	up.	
>	ACTION: Christine to connect Julie Duhov at College	
	re: NCCP graduates who could help in future seasons.	
_	Multi-use Trail Master Plan draft	Matt
>	What trails do we have / who are our audience / what	
	do they want / need feedback	
	Plan is built around what the end game looks like –	
	needs to be sustainable + how do we manage /	
_	maintain it?	
	Since we marked current multi use trails – volume of	
	use has increased significantly (can see this with heat	
_	maps on Strava). When we enhanced the multi use trails we were very	
	mindful on not impacting XC ski trails and our trails are	
	user friendly.	
	Acknowledgement that some trails are "random"	
	This is the first draft and interaction with the Board –	
	ACTION FOR ALL:Please give feedback to Matt by	
	Jan 1st and will bring V2 back to Jan Board	
	meeting. Can meet with Matt direct or email direct or	
	as a group	
3.5	Lodge Opening/Closing Plan through the Holidays	Michael
> ACTION	I: North (or Christine) to edit website and post sign on	
lodge doo	r.	

4.0 NEW BUSINESS: GOVERNANCE	
Item	Responsibility
4.1 Treasurer Transition	Michael/Serge
> Thank you for approving Budget. Still some adjustments to make. Have met with bookkeeper and she will have report	
for the Friday prior to Wed Board meeting. Serge is going to	
build a Treasurer Transition document for the future. BMO account is a grandfathered rate than cannot be matched	
today so will keep it indefinitely. Trying to get away from	
manual financial transactions and move into electronic	
payroll and expense reimbursement (simplify & unify).	



Working on an official expense form template (if required) should live on the website where everyone can access it.  Motion Made: To direct the Treasurer, Serge Martin to close the WNSC RBC account conditional on BMO provide the services currently does.  Moved by: Cam; seconded by Cori - CARRIED	
<ul> <li>4.2 Budget Preparation</li> <li>&gt; Will be changing some of the categories, making it clearer. Breaking out grants into a project budget and not include it in that year's operating expenses = best practice. Discussed example of multi year-rental purchases and grant revenue offset.</li> <li>Reserve Executive Summary: In next budget will show amounts to be transferred to Building and Equipment Reserve. Will come up with something more readable.</li> </ul>	Serge
<ul> <li>4.3 Rebranding</li> <li>&gt; Discussion and consensus that signs that are old and should be replaced – question is now or wait for new logo. If later, consider temporary new coroplast cover at north and main parking lots. Discussion around logos and what rebranding means practically – replacing logo everywhere it is currently used.</li> <li>ACTION ITEMS: <ul> <li>Gather all outstanding logos and evaluate &amp; bring back to Board for further discussion (Christine)</li> <li>Test and vet logo for uses (Christine)</li> <li>Work on sign quotes (Matt) + Geo to help on sign mock ups</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Matt

5.0 FUNDING/GRANTS	
Item	Responsibility
5.1 Latest Applications  > Successful at County of GP for Skandic, ginzu groomer and snow dog for 50% cost at \$20,000 approx. Waiting to hear back from CIP for the other 50%. Important that all grant applications use the official Nordic Club P.O. box mailing address (see website) and not personal mailing addresses. Still need someone to help with this portfolio since Gordon left – doesn't have to be a Board member. ACTION: Serge to look into grant writer people who work on commission	Michael
5.2 Upcoming	Michael
> No update	



6.0 SUB-COMMITTEES	
Item	Responsibility
6.1 Sub-Committee status review 6.1.1 Compensation/Recognition Sub-Committee > Christine shared a starting draft concept. Discussion that North's weekend availability is sufficient to offset the need to hire Lodge Attendants for this 2023-2024 season + concerns about low snow year and lower membership revenues so unsure about whether this is the year to launch it. ACTION: Christine to meet with others and continue to chip away at it with goal of having in place for 2024-2025 season and any costs approved in that year's budget.	Michael
<ul> <li>6.1.2 Rental Equipment Sub-Committee</li> <li>&gt; Doris and North going to track what we don't have when groups come in so it helps guide us when we are ready to purchase.</li> <li>6.1.3 Others</li> <li>&gt; No update</li> </ul>	

7.0 DIRECTOR & COORDINATOR REPORTS	
Item	Responsibility
7.1 Treasurer	Serge
> See 4.1 and 4.2	
7.2 Trails	Matt
> For new SnowDog groomer - would Stojan's bring it in or	
GP PowerSports or Honda? For trail maintenance – Wapiti	
Nordic sanctioned trails on Avenza or Trail Forks. Any	
maintenance outside of these area = need approval before	
maintenance happens on them. Old cutlines and routes -	
collect GPS where possible – these are not official trails.	
Summer Ski Trails Coordinator	Cam
> N/A	Geo
Winter Ski Trails Coordinator	Franco
Met with Crawford and Doris to discuss new plan	
Multi-use Trails Coordinator	
Questions about mulching at Penny Lane	
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7.3 XC development	Ken A
Skiing on Flyingshot Lake + other locations as	
needed	



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Cori
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Christine
vacant
Eric, Ken P
vacant, Christine
Christine
Michael
vacant

8.0 IN CAMERA	

Adjournment @ 9:08pm

Next Meeting: Wednesday, Jan 17<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00pm at the Lodge