



Board of Directors Meeting Agenda
Tuesday February 28, 2023 7:00 PM
ZOOM conference

ATTENDANCE: Karin McSherry, Kevin Miller, Kristin Isaak, Laurie Penton, Murray Carter, Derek Page, Marissa Zurba, Richard Huybers

REGRETS: Pauline Nadlersmith, Neil Kornberger, Pam Little

1. Chairman's comments- Richard- Called the meeting to order at 7:12 pm. A late start because of a problem with Zoom not accepting the passcode from members. Karin will look into this. Parandic- Jesse (Levi) placed 3rd.

2. Approval of previous meeting Minutes- **MOTION:** To accept the January 2023 Minutes. Derek. 2nd Murray. All in favour. **Passed.**

3. Financial Report- Marissa- **MOTION:** To accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. Richard. 2nd Derek. All in favour. **Passed.** Question: Is it ok to have a surplus? Yes, it is good to have. It acts as a rainy day fund and this money has no strings attached to it.

4. ED Report- Karin- Report in Dropbox. Karin-is finding the podcast Sportopia very interesting. She referred to values and trust and culture in sport. She wants to protect the great skiing culture that we have in XC skiing.

5. Policy review:

- Appeal Policy- **MOTION:** To accept the Appeal Policy. Karin. 2nd Kristin. All in favour. **Passed.** Discussion: we have a better Selection Policy now, and a better Appeal Policy. Question- Do we need the \$100 fee? Yes, so that people take the process seriously.

6. Events- Karin-

- Floppet- Falcon Lake. March 4. Registration is closed as the event is full.
- Jackrabbit Jamboree- March 12. WPNC.
- Grooming Seminar- March 16. WPNC. 10 AM- 2PM. Karin will put this in newsletter.
- Awards Banquet- April 8 confirmed. Rossmere Golf Club.
- February 4, 2024- MB Loppett

7. Program reports:

- Provincial Development Program- Karin- Pauline is at the Canada Games. Then Nationals. Next meeting is March 22, 2023.
- CANSI- Neil absent. No report.
- Recreational Skiing- Kevin- Ongoing administration of Where to Ski site. Concerns: BHP only groomed two trails since the last snowfall. Speculates that the PistenBully may be broken again. Concern about the safety of some trails (Bittersweet, Epinette Creek, Pumpkin Creek, Turtle Mountain) as the Charleswood Club had four injuries in recent outings. Kevin talked with Pat McCarthy about the committee initiating some discussion to do with dangerous trail sections. There is the question about how to do this without ruffling feathers.

8. Windsor Park Nordic Centre- Laurie- Report in Dropbox. Statistics show that passes, rentals, etc. are way up from previous years. Is this the new normal? Purchased a helmet for use with the skidoo to comply with Workplace Health and Safety. New trail, the Flatland Connector, is a flat 2.5 km ski. Applied to the United Way for a \$40,000 grant for snow-making. PD for Phys Ed teachers on March 8. Hallmark movie wants to rent the building near the end of March. Nordic Centre will close on March 26. May still groom trails if the snow is good.

Question- what does Laurie envision for the future? Laurie- a building to house the grooming equipment, a timing shack, expand lighting, more staff. Murray- run a ramp over top of a building. Laurie's philosophy- WP is a Nordic Centre. We should do nordic skiing well, and not try to do everything (e.g. fat bikes, snow shoes).

9. New Business-

- Laurie- gets requests for off-site grooming often. The new grooming machine should not be taken on the trailer so he is saying that WP can't do it. He directs them to Winnipeg Trails. Who should do this? It is in our mission statement. Would we be willing to spend some money on this? Will discuss again at next meeting. Wildwood Park has found a groomer in their neighborhood. Perfect!
- Richard- Sauna Winnipeg is meeting with Karin and Richard to look at the possibility of setting up saunas at WPNC. Laurie will not take on the cleaning of saunas.
- Derek- Sent suggestions about how to work the Strategic Plan into the format of the meetings. No time for discussion.
- Richard and Laurie are meeting with Brian Mayes. Murray will give him a ski lesson.

10. Adjournment- **MOTION:** To adjourn. Murray (forevermore). 9:01 pm.

2022-2023 Meeting Schedule – Mar 28 (March 21 or April 4?), Apr 25, May 23 (IFF approval)