

Whitehorse Cross Country Ski Club
Board of Directors Meeting
Date: January 25, 2010: Time: 6:30 p.m.
Location: Mount McIntyre Rec Centre

MINUTES

Meeting Attendees: Mike Gladish, Lorna Hutchinson, Bill Curtis, Craig Thur, Pippa Lawson, Tom Ullyett, Anne Kennedy
Regrets: Sue Meikle, Doug Knutson, Ian Robinson

Call to Order (Tom) 6:30 p.m

Standing Items:

Previous Minutes (Tom)

Action Items arising from previous minutes: Tom still needs to speak with a suggested person about sitting on the Land Tenure Committee. Tom will speak to Derrick about being spokesperson for the Land Tenure Committee. Sue & Tom are still meeting to write up the terms of reference for the Social Committee and Communications Committee. Tom & Kim Winnicky (on behalf of anti-poverty groups) are to meet to discuss ways the Ski Club can assist people who can't afford a ski club pass.

Minutes were reviewed. **MOTION** to accept minutes: Anne Kennedy. Seconded: Bill Curtis. Carried. Action Item - Lorna will post to website.

Financial Report (Mike)

Mike presented the financial statements. Costs for building repairs are up because the PB shed needed a new fuel tank and some other repairs. Membership is just under 1,200 members.

2010 Nationals – (Bill Curtis) Volunteer jackets are here. The Nationals are running a bit over-budget. They are short one sponsor but still looking for more sponsors.

Land Tenure Committee (Pippa) The City's OCP should be out by the second week of February. It will then be open for comments until March 5th. The Land Tenure Committee will draft up the recommendations (in anticipation of what the OCP is going to say). Their response will set out a statement of what the OCP says; what the Club's response should be; and the next steps. Once the OCP is out, the ski club executive / land tenure committee may need to have a special meeting to discuss our recommendations / responses to the Plan.

Decision / Discussion Items

Business Model Plan – The Executive has been working on this. Ads will go in the newspapers advertising for a part-time executive director position (contract – from March 1 – September 30, 2010). An interview committee will need to be set up. So far, the Committee will consist of Derrick, Tom & Bill.

Board Member Liability – tabled to next meeting. Someone from Community Guard (Alberta) will be in the Yukon next month to give a presentation on this insurance. We will put on next meeting's agenda.

Ski Lockers – Mike has suggested that we put a late fee (approximately \$10) on lockers that are not paid by October 30 of each year. Discussed:

MOTION by Bill Curtis - Locker fees be increased by \$10.00 if not paid by the deadline of October 30th. If fees not paid by the second deadline (November 30th) the locker will go to the next person on the list. Seconded: Pippa. Carried.

Volunteer Yukon – Tom has been asked by Volunteer Yukon to make a presentation on board member liability.

Ski Club Liability in Off Season – Mike and Ian will talk to Grant Macdonald about this issue.

Waxroom Expansion – Bill has met with City reps about the possibility of expanding the waxroom. The City does not seem to have a problem with this. Bill will check out CDF funding for next year. He is also pursuing other avenues.

Snowmaking – Mike had an opportunity to try out snow making at the Club. It would cost about \$5,000.00. At first it was thought this was budgeted for in the Nationals budget. The Nationals did not have the funding to pay for this experiment and the Ski Club felt it couldn't afford it right now. Last week-end about 15-20 people were out shoveling snow onto the ski trails where it was needed.

Emergency Response – Last week-end a ski club member had a heart attack on the ski trails near KK Hill. The skier was picked up by EMO on the highway just below the trails. Everything was fine. Discussion – felt that Mike and his Ski Base staff did a good job in responding. We discussed if we could be more prepared if a situation like this should happen again. It was discussed that we could possibly have a ski-doo and sled ready to go outside the waxroom on the weekends. This means that a ski-doo has to be taken out of the shed and put away each day. We will discuss this subject further. In an e-mail newsletter Mike will encourage members to ski with their cell-phone; ski with a buddy; or make sure they tell someone where they are skiing.

Subway Ski S'Cool – we discussed the waiver that the kids must sign to go in the school program. There is a movement saying that kids should not have to sign waivers for school programs. This year we will still have them sign the waivers. Kim and Alain will work on this further with the Department of Education. Mike has suggested that we close the stadium to dogs from February 1 to March 20th. This will encompass the Ski S'Cool program, Jackrabbit and Nationals time frame.

City Rec Grant – deadline March 15, 2010. This is a grant to assist with facilities costs. Bill will help Mike with this Grant.

Club vehicle – we will discuss this at the next meeting.

Manager's Update (Mike)

- membership around 1,200
- Mike has 12 employed at the Ski Base (most – part-time)
- Mike has a sub-contract being in charge of Logistics at Nationals which will take him away from the Ski Base more during that time.
- Board members – it was discussed that we should have some signs up showing who is on the Ski Club Executive. Lorna & Anne will work on this. Lorna will bring a camera for the next meeting.

Facility Director's Report – attached

Volunteer Director's Report (Anne)

- Anne will organize the Ski Club Executive's Station at the Hut to Hut (Feb. 27/10)

Next meeting – Monday, February 15, 2010, 6:00 Mt. MacIntyre Rec Centre – food will be supplied.