# Whitehorse Nordic Ski Society Board of Directors Meeting

Wednesday, October 22nd, 2025, 6 PM in the CGC Boardroom

#### **MINUTES**

Attendees:
Jean-Paul Molgat
Chrissy McConnell
Jan Downing
Tracee Vickerman
Moya Painter

Staff:

Jan Polivka

Ben Poudou

Regrets:

Deb Higgins

Leslie Gomm

- 1. Call to Order 6:01
- 2. Approval and Additions to Agenda Moved by Jan D., carried by consensus.

## **Approval of Previous Minutes**

3. Review and approval of the draft Minutes from September 17, 2025 - moved by Moya, carried by consensus.

#### **Updates**

- 4. Board Committee Updates
  - Climate Change
    - Moya is setting up a meeting in the next two weeks with Brian Horton, Ben, and Jan P. to discuss climate adaptation plan.
  - READI
    - Committee will be having their first meeting of the season next week.
  - Human Resources
    - Nothing to report
  - Race and Competition Committee
    - Met to talk about the proposed race series (6 races). Discussed communication with membership, food, etc. Races will be sprints, Holiday Hero, Don Sumaniks, Yukon Champs, Nighthawk Cup and Pierre Harvey Cup. Jean-Paul suggested that each race should have a goal or purpose statement.
  - Land tenure

- Met with Gladiator Metals to talk about claims underlying the ski trails. Discussed the letter of intent. They think it is likely they will be able to relinquish claims within the Chasan Chua park. Talked about park exclusion and it was not their request to have that parcel excluded. The committee will meet with them again in 6 months to touch base.
- Jean Paul sat down with John Streiker (Liberals) to talk about the exclusion of a section of the trails from the park boundary and the ATCO parcel.
- Jean Paul met with Layne Tredger (NDP) to discuss the importance of the organization within our community, the park creation and the functional plan.
- Jan P. Shakuni extension extend all the way to Best Chance. Will be added to our license of occupation except for 20 m close to Best Chance which is within the park. Inquiry was put in to the government about sections of new trails that are within the park boundary.

### **Standing Items**

- 5. Financial Report:
  - A financial report was posted on the drive before the meeting.
  - Revenue has begun to come in from registration and expenses were low over the summer.
- 6. Club Manager Report
  - New system was launched for registration.
  - Ben has been approached about ski patrol/first aid for the Arctic Winter Games ski races and will make a decision on who to use soon.
- 7. Operations Report
  - The forecast is still warm, unlikely to be cold enough to groom up at skyline.
  - Widening of Sarah Steele loop to be able to increase the quality of the grooming on those trails (mainly the outer loop).
- 8. President's Report
  - Meeting with CPAWS to see if they can contribute to the park boundary conversatoin.
  - Email from Minty thanking WNSS for the Monique Watterus award. Jean-Paul suggested WNSS hand out the award next year.

#### **Discussion and Decision Items**

- 9. Appointment of Executive
  - Think about succession planning for executive positions,
  - Jean-Paul put his name forward for President and Jan D. put her name forward for Vice-President. Moya will continue as Secretary and Leslie will continue as Treasurer.
  - The board reappoints the executives from the 2024/25 season. Tracee moves. Adopted by consensus.

#### 10. Policy Review

 A member of the Nordic Centre raised some concern over the choice of the new registration system as it is an American company. Issue over data security and support of American companies.

- Software was selected to make registration simple and streamlined There were no options in Canada that would do the job that it needed to.
- Review of executive limitations and buy Canadian policy to add to agenda for next meeting
- 11. Strategic Planning
  - No update, there will be an update before the xmas meeting.
- 12. PB Shed Update
  - Still no news from the City about whether we can take over space in their storage facility.
- 13. Oath of Office
  - Board members signed.
- 14. In-camera session

Next meeting: Wednesday Nov. 19 @ 6:00 in the CGC

Adjournment: 7:58 pm