

## Whitehorse Nordic Ski Society Board of Directors Meeting

Wednesday, July 23, 2025, 6 PM in the Race Office

#### **MINUTES**

Attendees:
Jean-Paul Molgat
Chrissy McConnell
Deb Higgins
Jan Downing
Leslie Gomm
Dahria Beatty

Staff: Juliette Ramain Jan Polivka

Regrets: Sarah Aasman Tracee Vickermann Stephanie Coombs Ben Poudou

- 1. Call to Order 6:07
- 2. Approval and Additions to Agenda Moved by Dahria, carried by consensus

## **Approval of Previous Minutes**

3. Review and approval of the draft Minutes from June 4, 2025 - moved by Chrissy, carried by consensus.

### **Updates**

- 4. Board Committee Updates
  - Climate Change (nothing to report)
  - READI (nothing to report)
  - Human Resources (nothing to report)
  - Race and Competition Committee (nothing to report)

# **Standing Items**

5. Financial Report: draft financial to June 30th presented. Leslie stated there will be more work done to shape the financial statement to complete the report for the year-end.



- There was a question at the last meeting regarding the CCY/WNC variation reflected in the respective statements about the CCY fees paid by WN (Corinna feels this may be an error on her part; she will look at this)
- 6. Club Manager Report: Juliette provided a written report. Additions YSM is hoping to open registration in September. It was suggested to use AI to summarize the year-end survey; however, research is needed to consider potential privacy issues. The survey results are on the Google Drive for the board to read.
- 7. Operations Report: Jan provided a written report. Updates meeting with the COW from today re. snowmobile routes (COW is interested in supporting WN to pursue Raven's Ridge trail, Jan will reach out to RR Community Association), plans are moving forward for possible Descent road improvements through the interests of Nav. Canada, pickleball courts (there is interest from Pickleball Yukon to develop courts near the dog parking lot Jan provided feedback on WN's interest in this location), hot wax room moved today, Wildstone Contracting is interested in doing some in-kind sponsorship.
- 8. President's Report: no written report (see land tenure/park boundary)

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

9. Motion for website redesign funding:

Board approves the WNSS funding application for \$7500 from the Lotteries Opportunities Fund to cover costs for website redesign. Moved by Deb Higgins, carried by consensus

- 10. Strategic Planning: meeting planned for August.
- 11. Functional Planning: A meeting is scheduled with Chief Smith on July 29th (Jean Paul, Jan P and Darhia, possibly Gary Baillie in attendance). Jean-Paul will plan a meeting with Jim Gilpin and the Pickleball board. Jan has met with Tennis Yukon.
- 12. Land Tenure/Park Boundary: Members of the board had a meeting with Nils Clarke, Minister for the Environment (summary is on the Google Drive). Dahria and Jean Paul met with the COW Mayor. Jean-Paul spoke with CPAWS, who understand the problems with the park with regard to the headwaters of the McIntyre watershed not being within the park. CPAWS will be a good ally. Jean Paul shared the letter of intent from Gladiator with CPAWS. Two WNC members were invited and are interested in sitting on the committee Jim Bishop and Kirk Potter. Next meeting July 29th to come up with a strategy and comms for our membership in particular regarding the timing of the election. Juliette will repost the CPAWS link to the COW mineral exploration survey. Motion:

The WNSS board supports the appointment of Jim Bishop and Kirk Potter to the Land Tenure Committee. Moved by Leslie, carried by consensus

- 13. Annual General Meeting: September 24th. 6 pm Location TBA. Returning Board members interested in standing for re-election: Chrissy McConnell, Deb Higgins, Leslie Gomm, Jean Paul Molgat, Jan Downing (possibly), Dahria (will step away from the board but will stay on committees)
- 14. September Board meeting: Sept. 17th, 6pm location TBA

Adjournment: 7:29 pm