



**Whitehorse Cross Country Ski Club
Board of Directors Meeting**
Tuesday, March 24th, 2020, 7:00PM
Teleconference

MINUTES

ATTENDEES

Board Members

Dermot Flynn, President
Adam Greenwood, Treasurer
Marcus Waterreus, Director
Stuart Hamilton, Director

Jonathan Kerr, VP
Craig Thur, Secretary
Julie McVicar, Director
Jean Paul Molgat, Director

Regrets

Pamela Brown, Director

Club Management

Jan Polivka, Operations

Ben Poudou, Club Manager

1. Call to Order

Dermot called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm.

2. Approval and Additions to Agenda

Jeff O'Farrell of the City of Whitehorse will be removed from the Agenda and invited to a future meeting.

3. Review and Approval of the draft Minutes from March 17th, 2020

Not completed.

4. Meeting with Jeff O'Farrell

Postponed.

Discussion and Decision Items

5. COVID-19_Social Distancing Compliance

Discussion led by President Dermot Flynn.

Ben Poudou reported that there had mostly been positive feedback from members thankful that the trails are being groomed and remain open.

The office of the Yukon's Chief Medical Officer is not recommending that the trails be closed as long as the physical distancing directions are being complied with.

In order to encourage physical distancing the club will post a message asking that skiers without dogs use either the Mount McIntyre Centre or Canada Games Centre parking lots.

Skiers will be asked not to socialize around the huts or fire pits or at the trail crossroads.

Members can be referred to the CMHO website for physical distancing requirements.

If at some point the CMHO requires that the trails be shut down they will be closed.

All skiers should be encouraged to ski with extra care so as to avoid injury and a possible trip to the WGH emergency department.

Skiers should be reminded that staff are working reduced hours so if there is an incident on the trails for which assistance is required 911 should be called (if appropriate) rather than the Ski Base.

6. Meeting with CCY_Ski Nationals

Dermot briefly summarized the February 18th, 2020 meeting between the attending WCCSC board members and Alain Masson and Dominic Bradford of CCY.

Jean-Paul updated the board that Sovereign Lakes will be hosting Ski Nationals in 2021 to make up for losing the 2020 Nationals due to the COVID-19 pandemic and that the 2022 Ski nationals are likely to go to a ski club in the east such as Mount St. Anne. It therefore appears as though 2023 would be the next probable opportunity for WCCSC to host this event.

7. Major Event Volunteer “Inventory”

Jonathan, Jean-Paul will meet with Claude Chabot and Scott Puskas to identify volunteer “assets” and “gaps” since hosting a major event is very much dependent upon volunteer resources.

8. Policy Governance Committee

Jonathan, Jean-Paul, Marcus and Fraser Pearce met as a sub-committee and divided up policies for drafting and presentation to the committee.

9. Strategic Planning Committee

The committee met with the contracted consultant Travis Armour of Strategy North Inc. The next step in the process is for the club to write a letter to Travis and ask that he proceed with the work.

Due to the current situation, WCCSC members will not be able to meet as a group in the same physical location for the foreseeable future therefore Adam will consult with Travis Armour about how best to move forward with strategic planning and membership engagement given the current circumstances and requirement for physical distancing.

Standing Items

10. Financial Report

There is currently a projected surplus of around \$20 000.00 however with money designated to be spent this year on projects and equipment a slight deficit is expected.

11. Club Mangers' Report

Spring Pass sales were discontinued due to the circumstances of having to close down the ski club facilities however day pass purchases will be encouraged.

Ben reported that he and Corinna Warren will work on straightening out the day pass/gift card punch pass print of sale information so that more accurate information can be accessed.

12. Operations Report

Jan reported that the Pisten Bully had broken down but has been repaired and is now in good condition.

With respect to the continued work on the Homologation Project, Jean-Paul reported that he is confident that the allocated funding is still secure and Grant Abbott informed him that tree removal is scheduled to resume in May and trail grading work continuing in August.

Discussion and Decision Items

13. Snowmaking

Brian Horton of the Climate Change Secretariat has been invited by Jonathan to speak to the board at a future meeting.

Adjournment: the meeting was adjourned at 8:58 pm.

Next Board Meeting: Tuesday, April 14th, 2020 at 7:00pm by teleconference.