DRAFT Minutes

Yellowknife Ski Club

Annual General Meeting

June 12, 2014,7:00pm

Yellowknife Ski Club Chalet

Board: Greg Littlefair, John Stephenson, Martin Saidla, Lara Mountain, Brett Wheler, Stephen Dunbar, Kevin Hodgins, Mark Cliffe-Phillips, Richard McIntosh, Damian Panayi

Members:

Guests:

1. Call to Order

JS confirmed quorum and called the meeting to order at 7:15 pm

1. Opening Comments

JS welcomed everyone and explained how the meeting would unfold.

1. GL seconded by LM moved to approve agenda, motion adopted
2. NWT Ski Division – Report and Presentations

GUEST gave a report on the activities of the NWT Ski Division, as well as updates from Cross Country Canada. Noted that CCC fee per member was going to go from 8$/member to $10/member, and that CCC wished to contact members directly to give updates on CCC activities. Noted that NWT Ski Division website is being updated,and also that she will be resigning as president.

NWT Ski team members Jack and Laura displayed new team jackets, and presented plaques to sponsors Stantec and Renaissance Services. Laura presented plaques and gifts to coaches Mike Argue, Stephen Dunbar and Lara Mountain.

Poster of NWT Ski Team unveiled that will go in downstairs of club.

JS also thanked the coaches for their contributions to the NWT Ski Team.

1. Approval of 2013 Annual General Meeting Minutes

Stephen Dunbar, seconded by Amanda Johnson, moved to approve the minutes.

1. Annual Reports from Directors

JS thanked board members for their contributions throughout the year. JS highlighted Sports Day in Canada. JS noted the importance of the support that the club receives from sponsors, and in particular thanked Northland Utilities for new lighting.

Treasurer’s Report - KH went through Treasurer’s Report, thanked Crowe Mackay for their support in the form of a discount on their services. Noted that travel expenses for athletes are a significant portion of budget, so are now listed as a separate item. Assets have been growing as we have posted surpluses in the last few years and have been putting money into capital assets (e.g. new groomer shed). There were also more donations this year, in particular from MEC and the Yellowknife Community Foundation. Noted that membership and program registration constitute only about a third of our revenue. Also noted that city funding is precarious and we cannot count on receiving it in future years. Suggested that we promote use of building in order to increase rental revenue, and engage in fundraising. Finding a volunteer fundraising director would help with this.

MS discussed governance practices and amendments to policies that were made over the past year.

MCP explained that membership numbers were down this year, possibly because of cold weather. Noted decrease in purchase of family memberships, and that changes to fees may explain this. Also explained the Military membership scheme.

LM explained that we had a good year for programs. Mentioned that we are always looking for volunteers for jackrabbits/bunnyrabbits, described activities of Track Attack team.

MA explained that High Performance had good year, and had regular dryland training last summer. Described events that HP team participated in, highlighting AWG.

LM explained Go Ski program and coach training that had been organized by Karen Johnson. LM also noted that she would be resigning.

JS thanked LM and noted importance of variety of programs that club offers.

DP described events that the club had put on this year, including races and social events. DP noted that it was a busy year and that next year would also likely be busy.

On the note of volunteers, JS noted we are still looking for volunteer director and thanked Weatherby Trucking for their significant contributions this year.

RM noted that weekly email newsletter had been going out, and that Alicia had still been doing her column in the paper. RM mentioned search for new club logo and noted that decision had not yet been made. Also noted that for next year he would like to develop a brochure that would explain the club to prospective members.

BW explained projects undertaken this year, including work on biathlon range, levelling out of certain portions of trails with gravel from RTL, new lighting courtesy of Northland and work done by Beaver power line to assist in this. Noted that there would be a new phase next year. Discussed grooming work, and thanked volunteers who do grooming and summer/fall trail work. BW noted that he would be resigning. JS thanked BW for his work.

GL noted that he has a list of proposed improvements to the Chalet, outlined in his written report. Noted that last summer had outside of chalet stained. Hoped to do some painting this summer. Largest project is grooming shed. Site was prepared last fall, and concrete work will probably start very soon. Thanked companies that had done work on shed. Noted that Stantec had helped with surveying, and Corothers had provided discount on building materials. Also thanked EBA. JS thanked GL and noted that AGC had donated substantial services. Also thanked Weatherby Trucking.

1. Election of Directors

SD proposed the following slate of candidates.

JS – President

MCP – Registrar

GL – Facilities

Nick Shopian– Trails

RM – Communications

DP – events

MS - secretary

Still looking for programs, fundraising and volunteers directors. Programs director is particularly important.

BW, seconded by Brian Latham, moved to adopt this slate of candidate. Motion adopted.

1. Adjourn

Ray Bethke, seconded by nick, moved to adjourn. Motion adopted.