

Minutes

Yellowknife Ski Club (YKSC) Board of Directors Meeting

Monday, November 5, 2018
Yellowknife Ski Club Chalet 7:00 pm

Present: Chris R (Chair), Tania Hercun, Chris Joseph, Mark Cliffe-Phillips, Chris Hotson, Sara Minogue, Diep Duong, Steve Reitsma, Kerry Wheler, Alyssa Titus, John Stephenson

Absent: Toby Kruger

1. Call to Order and Opening Remarks by the Chair

- 1.1. Approval of Agenda (Kerry, Diep)
- 1.2. Declaration of Conflicts

2. Consent Agenda

- 2.1. Approval of October Minutes (Mark, Tania)

3. Information Items

3.1. Board intros (All, led by CJ, 10 min)

- *Heather Scott observing, considering joining Board*

3.2. Snow Show debrief (Kerry/Tania, 10 min)

- Registration numbers
- Sales numbers (see attached)
- *Thanks to those who contributed*
- *Well attended, not too full, just right number for space*
- *Some new prospective members attended*
- *Silent auction went very well*
- *New skiers were able to buy equipment with help from volunteers*
- *City of Yellowknife took last minute request to plow, very helpful*
- *Registration was up early this year, strong advertising, resulted in a high number of pre-registered members*
- *Overall numbers – ahead a small number but revenue is much higher than previous years due to small fee increase.*
- *Updates to process made registration go quickly*
- *Revenue for auction was up from previous year – \$10,675*
- *750 bowls of chili sold*
- *Suggestion of more advertising around auction in advance of Snow Show*
- *Consideration given to opening the registration sooner in the year -September*
- *Suggestions for next year are welcome*

3.3. Upcoming events (Kerry, 10 min)

- *Wax and Wine is Nov 15*
- *Adult only event – babies in arms welcome – no kids running around*
- *Fundraiser ski waxing with HP, good food and wine*
- *Free membership perk*

- *Community Coaching Course – first on-snow classroom course – two days (1 weekend) in Nov*
 - *Loppet is April 7 – Check print material that may be incorrect*
- 3.4. Ranney Hill Trailwork update (Alyssa, 5 min)
- *Fundraiser the HP took on with Terrax*
 - *2 crews, about 70 person hour - \$20 per hour – goes to HP*
 - *Occurred in October*

4. Discussion Items

4.1. Request from Aboriginal Sports Circle to build a shed for equipment storage (Chris R, 10 min)

- *Hosted archery championships 2 years in a row*
- *Requested more formal partnering with Ski Club*
- *Requested shed to store*
- *Chris J provided background update*
- *Biathlon range is safe area, forest is more of an issue outside of formal event*
- *Partnership would be based on range use*
- *More training will be OK, but should not interfere with broader use*
- *Good to have as a strategic partner*
- *Suggestions that storage could be arranged strategically (plan by Chris H)*
- *History with Arctic Archery in past*
- *Would require some site development to make storage space*
- *Proposal for partnership (Toby)*

4.2. Biathlon Update (Steve, 10 min)

- *Toby and Steven met with potential program leads*
- *Don't have a biathlon coach*
- *Have someone to support shooting*
- *Not taking new kids at this time until a new coach*
- *Reduced fees to reflect lack of formal coaching*
- *Need new rope and carpets – Steve provided these*
- *Looking for biathlon coach*
- *Working on getting required staff – range safety officer*
- *Looking for ski and shooting coach in one*
- *Working with DND Cadets to collaborate – complex relationship but doing what we can to get through this season.*
- *Steve to workout proposal to help ensure access by all cadets*
- *Will continue to work on recruitment of coaches*

4.3. Adult Lessons (Steve, 5 min)

- *Rob M will organize lessons in Jan, Feb March – Wed, Sat, Sun*
- *Still looking for instructors for Saturdays – will be paid*
- *Christmas Potluck sing-along will be adult lesson kick-off*
- *Classic for first 2 months, then two lessons will be skate lessons*
- *Need instructor for private lessons*
- *New ideas – School ski camps – will approach principals to discuss using school gear*
- *New Idea - Suggested used gear website*

4.4. New sign for the "Yellowknife Ski Club Nordic Centre" (Chris H, 15 min)

- *Budgeted 10k for new sign*

- *Physical structure is very good on existing sign*
- *Currently “Yellowknife Ski Club and Elks Youth Centre”*
- *Building – legacy agreement to maintain Elks name for centre (i.e. chalet)*
- *Strategic Plan considers renaming the site “Yellowknife Nordic Centre”*
- *Suggestion – sign is hard to see*
- *Suggestion – could create a building sign and road sign*
- *Suggestion – could be considered re-branding*
- *Working Group will be struck to form proposal – Chair Chris H, ,Sarah, Alyssa*

5. Decision Items

5.1. Stanton Mud Run Request 2019 - 2021 (Chris H, 15 min)

- *See attached proposal*
- *“Our request to the Ski Club is to confirm the use of the Yellowknife Ski Club trails and facilities, with the run taking place on September 8th for 2019 and the second weekend of September for the subsequent years.”*
- *They want the space and grounds for 3 days, for free.*
- *They are asking for a long term relationship with additional discount*
- *Do support the trail maintenance – leave trails better than they find them*
- *Item discussed – decision deferred pending more information from requestor*

6. Schedule Next Meetings

Monday, December 3

7. Adjourn