

WRNSC Board Meeting Minutes for March 14, 2022

Present: Ken Campbell, Colin Rhodes, Heidi Langenberg, Oliver Conway-White, Elaine Gosnell, Rob Daniells, Darren Carter (City of Waterloo) (all virtual)

Called to order by Ken at 8:00pm.

1. **Review and Approve minutes from the previous meeting.** Motion to approve by Oliver, seconded by Colin. None opposed, motion carried.
2. **Review and approve agenda for this meeting.** Motion to approve by Oliver, seconded by Elaine. None opposed, motion carried.
3. **Follow-up on action items:**
 - a. Ken to talk to Lisa Collins to determine whether we can have a larger storage locker (ongoing)

4. Financial Update

Rob presented a brief financial update, complete with an income statement. We have recognized \$48016.00 in revenue and we have recognized \$37,028.56 in expenses so far this year. Coach training expenses still need to be submitted, and a number of coach training courses will be run before the end of the fiscal year. Coach mileage still needs to be computed and subsidies need to be paid.

The current account contains \$41,600.

5. New Horizons Grant

Ken reported that we have been notified that we are being granted \$16,111.00 by New Horizons, to help with our seniors-related activities. This includes \$1000 for extra lighting, \$5000 for grooming equipment plus \$4400 for adult-sized ski equipment that will be used for recruiting senior skiers and for supporting senior-related ski events.

6. Potential Trillium Grant Requests

Elanor requests that we have a ZOOM meeting to discuss upcoming purchases of grooming equipment. Notionally we would like to improve our grooming capabilities, and we would like to increase the number of days when members and the public can ski at Rockway. This is likely to require investment in additional equipment, and in additional storage. We are considering writing a grant request to Trillium to help us achieve our goals. The Trillium fund opens its capital grants process in late summer/early fall.

7. Adult Program Update

Heidi reported that all adult on-snow instruction groups have completed their operations; almost all groups received 6 lessons and some received more. There was much more demand for adult programs than we could handle. We need to recruit more

adult instructors for next year. Heidi is scheduling a meeting with adult instructors to review how the season went, and to discuss how we can organize for next year.

8. Youth Program Update

Most youth groups have ended operations for the season, although the racing groups will continue with reduced operations until the end of the racing season (April 4).

9. Rockway Update

Colin reported that Rockway is closed for the season, and that we expect to be provided with a week's notice when we need to remove fencing.

10. Club awards

The Board reviewed recommendations from instructors and finalized the list of recipients of club awards, as follows:

- a) Jackrabbit Johansen Award – Jess Sloss
- b) Jackrabbit Leadership Award – Corrie Ballantyne
- c) TA Leadership Award – Katherine Sunday
- d) Youth Leadership Award – Kate Stirling
- e) Adult Learn-to-ski Award – Tomo Hineno
- f) Adult Racer – Finn Dodgson
- g) Youth Racer – Hazel Dowling and Arno Genest
- h) KSA Award – Anne and Gord Cameron
- i) WCSSAA Recognition Award – Robbie Campbell

11. Signage for next year

Elaine reported that she is aiming to have budgetary information available by mid-April, and that she is scheduling a meeting with golf course staff to discuss where and how large signage can be installed for the winter season.

12. Update re Instructor Training (L2T)

L2T-on-snow is being held, starting this week. There are 3 virtual sessions, plus a single on-snow event at Highlands on March 20. We hope that at least 4 Waterloo instructors take this training course.

We anticipate hosting an L2T-dryland course later this spring.

13. Update re return of rental equipment

The rental equipment return session will be held on April 9. Breithaupt Community Centre, Room 109, has been booked from 9am until 1pm.

14. Purchase of rental equipment for 2023

We plan to retire some of our oldest skis and poles over the next 3 years, and to replace them with new equipment. Most of the ski in question are over 20 years old. We normally place a Purchase Order with a provider (most recently Highlands) in the spring, with

equipment delivered in the fall. This typically lets our order get consolidated into a factory order. Demand is very tight this year and the order deadline was advanced to mid-January. This means that we are not part of any factory order and we may have trouble securing exactly what we want. It is worth noting that Ukraine is a significant manufacturer of cross country ski equipment.

Ken suggested that we take advantage of clearance sales to secure as much of our planned order as possible.

It was moved by Colin that WRNSC spend up to \$6000 for rejuvenation of the current rental fleet, in addition to what is in the 2021-2022 budget.

This was seconded by Rob. All in favour, none opposed. Motion passed.

15. **The date of the next meeting** was set for April 11 at 8pm.

16. **The date of the AGM** was set for May 25 at 8pm.

17. **Motion to adjourn** by Rob, seconded by Oliver. Meeting adjourned.