

WRNSC Board Meeting Minutes for September 14, 2022

Present: Ken Campbell, Oliver Conway-White, Elaine Gosnell, Rob Daniels, Heidi Langenberg (all virtual)

Called to order by Ken at 8:30pm.

1. **Review and approve agenda for this meeting.** Motion to approve by Ken, seconded by Oliver. None opposed, motion carried.
2. **Review and approve minutes from the previous meeting.** Motion to approve by Oliver, seconded by Rob. None opposed, motion carried.
3. **Finance update.** Rob is looking into e-transfers as a more convenient method of payment. Bank balance is approximately \$47,894. Investments \$28,569.
4. **General**
 - a. Move and reorganization of storage facility is now complete. First rental day went well from this location. Parking is not ideal and flow is somewhat restricted but may be doable if well organized.
 - b. Lights have been received, checked and are in storage for fall installation.
 - c. All equipment has been inspected, and inventoried. A few skis, poles and boots have been removed from inventory; several more have been repaired; all equipment has been prepared for rental. Youth equipment rental day is tentatively scheduled for Sept 25. Location TBD, time slots may be necessary, additional volunteers will be required to run on this day.
5. **Youth Program Update**
 - a. **Bunny** – Registration has not opened for the Bunny program but it is good to go. Ample instructors. New location has been identified beside 5th hole of the golf course in an area of rough, across Courtland Ave, next to Mill Street. Better parking, terrain. Ken to confirm with Rockway GC.
 - b. **Jackrabbit** – Registration has not opened for the Jackrabbit program. We are looking for a Coordinator. As usual, we also need 3 or 4 additional Jackrabbit instructors.
 - c. **Track Attack** - Registration has opened. The first dry-land practice is scheduled for Sunday Sept 18.
 - d. **Senior Adventurer/Senior Racer** – Registration has opened. The first large-scale dry-land practice is scheduled for Sept 18. Likely will have full registration, may be short on equipment

- e. **Trek** – new program for intellectually disabled skiers. All Trek skiers will be club members; most are also members of Special Olympics. Registration is open, but dry-land practices will start later in the Fall. One instructor is available and trained, 2 more to be trained.
- f. **ParaNordic** – No instructors have been identified for the Para Nordic program, so registration remains closed. Looking for a solution for this program. Can offer dryland, 1 classic and 1 skate lesson per week with adult program.

6. **Adult Program update**

- a. Dryland Training will start October 12 for 10 weeks, ending Dec 17. May have two groups, split based on fitness.
 - b. Classic will be offered Tues evenings, Wed noon and Sun mornings. Two instructors are available. Can accommodate 60 participants.
 - c. Skate will be offered Saturday mornings, 20 spots.
 - d. Goal is 6 weeks of lessons starting early January.
 - e. Social skiing will be offered
 - f. Outreach program is being designed. Will make use of New Horizons grant equipment. Likely will offer 3 Saturday afternoons in Jan and Feb. Also potential for high school groups.
 - g. No ski touring this year. No bus trip.
7. **Adult 'event' equipment.** Quotes have been obtained for the set of adult ski equipment that will be used at adult 'outreach' events, including outreach events that are aimed at seniors. The New Horizons grant provides us with \$4400 of funding for this set of ski equipment. Based on prices this fall, the equipment will cost WRNSC \$5250, including HST and shipping costs. Rob moved to purchase this equipment. Seconded by Oliver.
8. **Plans for Rockway grooming.** Oliver moved to authorize \$5,000 in spending on grooming improvements, Heidi seconded. These funds are provided by the New Horizons grant.
9. **Rockway signage and potential fixtures.** Elaine will provide drafts of signage to the board for review, prior to sending to the sign company for design and printing. Timing is such that signposts need to be installed before the ground freezes (before mid-December), signs can be attached prior to ski season starting (early January).
Ken discussed potential uses of Rockway facilities including portions of the starter hut and the clubhouse, and the need for fixtures for storing equipment, etc. Nothing decided at this point.
10. **Clothing sales and potential purchases.** Jess and Scott suggested that we buy additional club jackets. We have an inventory of 24 blue club jackets. Last year we sold 8 jackets, mostly in adult sizes. We can no longer buy the same style of jackets from Louis Garneau; the new catalogue and price list has been circulated to Board members. To obtain good unit pricing we have always purchased 50 items from LG at a time. The cost of 50 jackets would be around \$4374.

It was decided that purchasing jackets was not economical at this time due to low volume of sales. Ken will consider gauging demand from parents for purchasing jackets.

11. **Potential support for purchase of TRX systems.** Ken moved to provide \$612 for the purchase of this equipment to support the racers, seconded by Rob.
12. **Budget for 2022-2023** – Some additions are needed. Deferred to next meeting to finalize.
13. **Next meeting** will be October 13, 2022, 8:30pm.
14. **Motion to adjourn** by Oliver, seconded by Rob. Meeting adjourned at 9:40pm.