2015 WNSL Fall minutes Sunday October 18, 2015 Wausau West High School, Wausau Wisconsin

The agreed upon pre-meeting was called to order By Jake Barnes at 10:00 am.

Teams in attendance were (number of votes per team in parenthesis); 4-H Canski (2) Chippewa Valley (2) Hayward Hurricanes (2) Lakeland Nordic (2) Spooner Nordic (1) Ashwaubenon (2) Bay Nordic (2) Wausau East/ West (1) Wausau Night Gliders (1) Wausau Nordic United (1) Rhinelander Nordic (2) Iola WSC (2) Ice Age Nordic (2) Northern Kettle Moraine Nordic (2) Madison Nordic Ski Team (2) Burlington Nordic (1) Madnorski East (2) Peak Nordic (2)

The by-laws, rules of competition and codes of conduct were distributed to the membership in advance of the meeting.

By-Laws and Rules of Competition, Steve Scharr made a motion to separate the rules of competition from the bylaws. The motion was seconded by Dale Fanney. The motion passed 23 to 7.

Electronic voting was discussed. Beth Reed proposed an amendment to the electronic voting proposal to ensure confidentiality of who voted for what. Steve Swenson motioned to accept Beth's amendment, Cathy Egelhoff seconded. Discussion followed, a vote was taken allow electronic (with amendment) the motion carried by a vote of 29 to 1

Code of Conduct, adoption of the USSA or Canadian code of conduct was discussed. A Motion to table adding "Safe Sport" to the code of conduct was made by Mary Eloranta and seconded by Gary Weier seconded. The motion passed. A Vote for which version to use was made. The USSA Version was accepted by 28 votes for, Abstain 1 and CCO 1. A vote to make this year one that required only a Coaches signature saying they would share the document with their team (instead of requiring parents/athletes signatures) passed 29 to 1.

USSA Safe Sport, Scott Putman made a motion to research the USSA safe sport program. The motion was seconded by Steve Scharr and passed. <u>A committee was formed consisting of Anne Riendl, Anna Demers, Donna Hoelz, and Beth Reed to review the information on Safe Sport and report back to the group on their impressions/recommendations</u>

The Rules of Competition (document presented and discussed. The number of Team Members that could score (Option 1 for 3 team members) passed by 19 votes. Tie Breaker (Option 2 to use 4th & 5th place skiers) passed by 18 to 11 votes. Seeding (Option 2 Coach Self-Seeding/Conference seeding) passed by 19 votes. Change in wording for Seeding to include top three WI U20 & U18 WI JNQ skiers and 1 top U16 in the first seed passed with 26 votes for the change in wording. Acceptance of complete Competition Document passed by a 22 to 8 vote

Geographic identity Jake Barnes read a letter from the Lakeland athletic director regarding teams and geographic identity. Discussion followed. A vote was taken and geographic identity requirements failed.

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By-laws Document Scott Putman made a motion to accept the bylaw document as presented. Steve Swenson seconded and the motion passed

Election. Bernie Rocheleau moved to nominate and elect officers at this point in the meeting. Rachel K seconded and the motion passed.

Nominations were taken from the floor as follows; Jim <u>Wood</u> for treasurer, Anna Demers for secretary, Mary Eloranta for vice president and Ted Theyerl for president. A motion to accept the nominations was seconded and carried. A motion to elect the nominees was seconded and carried.

Steve Swenson read the minutes and they were accepted with a revision of a motion from the spring meeting which did not pass.

Cathy Egelhoff read the treasurer's report and it was accepted as read

Bruce Manske presented a CXC update. A WNDG update was also made.

At 2:25 a motion was made to adjourn. The motion passed and the membership voted to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted.

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