

WNSLI Fall Meeting
9-18-2016
Wausau West High School, Wausau, WI – Bridge Street Exit
Noon-3:00 pm

Attendance

Ashwabenon – Scott Putman (2), Bay Nordic – Noel Versch (2), Burlington – Proxy: Mary Eloranta (1), 4-H Canski – Beth Reed, Dalt Collins (2), Chippewa Valley – Ted Theyerl, Kris Hanson (2), Hayward – Andy Kreyer (2), Ice Age Nordic – Dale Fanney (2), Iola (IWSC)– Proxy: Steve Swenson (2), KM North – Steve Scharrer, Matt Meyer (2), Lakeland – Jim and Diane Mullen (2), Madison Nordic Ski Team/Blackhawk – Steve Swenson (2), Madison East MS/HS : Proxy – Bill Rattunde (1), Madison West MS/HS: Proxy – Bill Rattunde (1), Peak Nordic – Mary Eloranta, Anne Riendl, Donna Hoelz (2), Rhinelander – Proxy: Jim Wood (2), Spooner – Anna DeMers (1), Wausau East/West – Tracy Gorzek (1), Wausau Nightgliders – Rachel Kresse (1), Wausau United – Sally Wenzel (1), Other – John Burke, Yuri Gusev, Bjorn Hansen, Bruce Manske, Ken Schoville. (31 total)

Teams Absent without a proxy present: Drummond

Meeting called to order by Theyerl at 12:16

Secretary's Report –Minutes from the October 18, 2015 Meeting were approved with the following changes.

- Edits sent out prior to meeting in red
- Item 6 in New Business: Change 'skeirs' to 'shops' and "Theyerl' to Theyerl'

Move to accept with changes by Scott Putman, seconded by Steve Swenson, passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report – Discussion on procedure surrounding members accessing money

- Allocation Committee created: Sally Wenzel and Tracy Gorzek (Mission: bring a form for people to request \$ to the spring meeting for league to approve.)

Steve Scharrer motioned to approve the treasurer's report, seconded by Jim Mullen, passed unanimously

Old Business

1. Safe Sport/Code of Conduct Committee Report – (Anne Riendl, Anna DeMers, Beth Reed, Donna Hoelz):
 - Beth reed reported on safe sport/code of conduct. We fall under CXC's Safe Sport Policy, so do not need to make our own. Edits to code of

conduct presented. Discussion on item 10 (performance enhancing drugs).

- Mary proposed accepting the code of conduct as a second revision and also have a 3rd revision on #10 with a new committee (Tracy Gorzek, Jim Mullen, Dale Fanney, Beth Reed) , seconded by Steve Scharrer. Passed unanimously
2. State Meet Requirements Committee (Scott Putman, Tracy Gorzek, Ken Schoville, **Steve S.**)
 - Scott Putman reported
 - Beth motioned to accept the document on trial use and comment on it in the spring, seconded by Rachel, passed unanimously.
 - Will be used as a guideline for spring proposals
 3. WNDG financial report on 2016 State Meet – John Burke
 - This year WNDG technically lost \$. Had made \$5,000 for the last 2 meets. Had to pay six times as much to use the Telemark facility. Paid more for grooming (\$1500 more than year before.) Continued to support teams through volunteer contributions (\$1500). They are comfortable expanding that program to have more volunteers. Sponsor Camp Igor, coaches scholarships for the certification class (\$700 in scholarships this year, above \$500 in previous years.) Helped with Bare Cupboard Run in Minocqua, 3 ski clubs helped.
 - They are working with Birkie to stabilize expenses for this year. In positive cash position at the moment.
 - Currently about \$8000 in the bank. Total money involved in state is about 20,000. Apparel sales, skier fees (\$1200) and sponsorships.
 4. WNSL Newsletter – (Donna Hoelz): Deadline for newsletter- December 1. Is looking for submissions. Had list of coaches and collegiate skiers to correct.

New Business

1. WNDG updates on State Meet 2017
 - a. There is a building for waxing, presentations, concessions, etc. and lots of parking at site
 - b. Plan is for a 2 day event
 - c. Move awards ceremony to Drummond High School and change banquet to a free ice cream social before awards
 - d. Should have info out to teams at the end of October.
2. Bruce Manske's updates
 - a. New code of conduct and state meet requirements will be posted on

website by Bruce

- b. CXC Membership – encourage your members to become CXC members – levels available for every aged athlete
 - c. Event Schedule – reviewed the printout and added updates to list
 - i. JNQ schedule
 - ii. CXC Youth Cup Schedule
 - iii. November Rollerski events
 - iv. On-snow camps
 - v. (see attachment for additional info on events)
 - d. WNSL Team Bio List – reviewed at meeting and will be posted, please update yours if you haven't
 - e. WNSL Webpage – reminder that it has many documents and updates about WNSL – let him know of any changes needed
www.cxcskiing.org and www.wnsl.info
 - f. WNSL mailing list – remove and add people to the list as needed at <http://www.cxcskiing.org/WNSLI.html> Also add wnsli@cxcskiing.org to your contact list so that messages do not go to spam
 - g. Nordic Rocks for Schools Program – letters of interest are being accepted for the 2016-2017 season
3. Bids for State Meet due in spring – Mary Eloranta
 - a. Mary briefly went over procedures
 4. Adding adaptive athletes to state meet scoring – Yuriy Gusev
 - a. Have been working with us Paralympics: have 2 scores, based on category of disability and Paralympic classification based on the level of disability with an asterisk next to name; can score points towards team this way. Visual and physical disabilities do the same course. Sit skiers do different course and get multiplied in. No advantage or disadvantage to have a disabled skier. No other skiing programs in the country are currently doing this. Some swimming programs do this.
 - b. Cannot be changed in rules of competition until spring meeting, has to have a third of the members behind it
 - c. Mary Eloranta: proposed adopting this on a trial basis, placed into able-bodied results, but do not get scored with the multiplier index this year. They can score in their team on their raw performance. Can recognize youth in the indexed times (without placing).
 5. Adding a ski cross event at the Madison Sprints – Yuriy Gusev
 - a. Might move sprints from Capitol to a public park in Madison and would four features in a 1k race
 6. Spring meeting date at CXC Midwest Conference?
 - a. Coaches conference: Juniors coach from Norway. How to create a culture of training. Norwegian model.

- b. Midwest CXC's conference- Last weekend of April. Move conference awards to that. We decided by vote by June 1st, 2016 to have this spring's meeting in conjunction with the Midwest CXC's conference the last weekend in April.
- c. I am in favor of holding the WNSL Spring 2017 meeting in conjunction with the Midwest Ski Conference in Eau Claire Wi on approximately the 29th of April *even though that date is more than the 60 days post State Meet as designated in our bylaws.*

YES or NO

Those voting YES -25

Ashwaubenon HS/MS - 2

Bay Nordic HS/MS - 2

Burlington HS - 1

Chippewa Valley HS/MS -2

Drummond HS/MS - 2

Ice Age Nordic HS/MS - 2

Iola HS/MS - 2

Kettle Moraine Northern HS/MS - 2

Madison East HS/MS - 2

Peak Nordic HS/MS - 2

Rhineland HS/MS - 2

Spooner HS - 1

Wausau East/West HS - 1

Wausau Night Gliders MS - 1

Wausau Nordic United HS -1

Voting NO - 4

Lakeland HS/MS - 2

Madison HS/MS - 2

Not voting - 4

Canski 4-H HS/MS - 2

Hayward HS/MS - 2

The motion has passed.

7. Awards

- a. Do we want to recognize anyone at the Midwest Congress meeting?
- b. Steve Swenson tabled talk of awards, Matt Meyer 2nd. Passed.

8. Flouro wax restrictions discussion

- a. Health, \$, environmental are reasons for discussion
- b. JNQ has changed their policy
- c. Leave as is for now, up to race director, not changing anything for state

9. Reminder of rosters and code of conducts being due to Anna DeMers on December 31st.

Spring Meeting date: Sunday, April 30th, 2017

Adjourn : Ted Theyerl made motion to adjourn, seconded by Steve Swenson, all approved. Meeting ended at 3:07