

WNSL Spring Meeting 2025

Date: 04/06/2025 Place: DC Everest HS

Attendees

ANST-Putnam	CVN-A. Johnson	Ben Popp-Spooner	Nick R. Bay Nordic
Iola- Jake Barnes	CVN-Jesse Cain	Katie E. - Spooner	Dave Hess-Bay Nordic
Tamara -Madison	Chris Lawn-BH	Mary Eloranta	Ernie Luedke-WU
Dale F -MNS/IAN	John- Rhinelander	Rick Haese-Peak	Olivia-WU
Kevin D. NKMN	D Morse Hayward	Alex Matson-Peak	Jon Oestrich-WU
D Goltz-Snowflake	Erich Kern-Lakeland	S.Edwards Peak	G McFate-MVN
Yurij Gusev CXC	Crystal Kern-Lakeland	Sean=PTTiming	BOstby -Rochester

Absent-4 Canski, Menomonie

- 1. Fall Meeting minutes were approved.**
- 2. Treasurers Report by Tamara Bryant was presented and discussed.**

Net profit of \$8835. We had a 1 time donation from WNDG of \$8000- so we basically broke even. State Meets cost was ~\$32,400 and expenses were ~\$31340

- 3. State Meets Recaps and suggestions**

There was general satisfaction with the State Meets with the following comments:

The Sprint Championships were complicated by scoring and seeding issues, registration issues on Milesplit, and officiating. There were false starts that were never addressed. Other issues included spectator access to the race course, lack of proper MS warm-up time and a shortened MS race distance. A few coaches asked for better wax space assignments. It was a general Consensus that the Sprint Meet is too complex for a single Race Director to manage and a Race Committee was recommended. A committee was formed inc. – Sam Edwards, Rick Haese,

Scott Putman, Ernie Luedke, and Tamara Bryant. This Committee will assist Bruce Manske.

4. Amendment to Rules of Competition

--to allow the WNSL members to vote and pass amendments in the Fall, Spring and Special sessions as needed to advance important changes. The amendment was presented by Jake Barnes –Iola and passed with a vote of 25 yes and 4 no.

5. Proposal to admit Rochester and MVN(Redwing) to the WNSL.

There is a general consensus to allow Rochester and MVN to the WNSL. A committee of Dale F, Andrew J and Nick R. and Jake Barnes will review this. A By-Law change would be required to allow out of State teams to join the WNSL..

6. Discussion regarding the State Meet Formats and Scheduling

There was a long discussion regarding the current 2 weekend format for the Sprint and State Championships. This was initiated by an Amendment proposal by Bruce Manske to combine the State Meets into one 2 day weekend with a Sprint Race on Saturday and one day pursuit on Sunday. A consensus vote on each proposal yielded the following results:

- a. Current format with a Sprint weekend on 1/31-2/1 and a Distance Meet on 2/7-8.....14 votes**
- b. A 3 day single weekend State Meet with a Sprint race and pursuit races.....13 votes**
- c. A 2 day single weekend State Meet with a Sprint race one day and pursuit races the other day.....5 votes**
- d. A 2 weekend format with a 1 day Sprint Race Championship followed by the current 2 day Pursuit.....5 votes**

- e. There was 100% consensus that the MS should be included in any State Meet

It was generally agreed that the 2026 State Championships will proceed as usual without scheduling or format changes. There have been no bids made for the 2026 Championships and the assumption is that Ariens will host the Sprint Meet and Cable/Birkie will host the Distance Meet.

7. Summer Camps

There will be no changes in summer camps and Conferences should apply for the \$1500 available in funding by May 1st.

8. Other Subjects

There were very brief discussions regarding the Administrative position, income streams, snow-making, and having a stipend for the WNSL Treasurer position.

9. Nominating Committee

Ben Popp and Tamara Bryant will be retiring from the WNSL Executive Committee in the Fall 2025. A nominating committee of Ben, Tamara and Andrew was formed.

10. Fall Meeting Date was scheduled for Sunday 10/05/2015 at 10am in Wausau at DC Everest HS