

CROSS COUNTRY YUKON

Board of Directors Meeting

March 23, 2009 6:00 PM

Mt. McIntyre Curling Club

In attendance:

Dermot Flynn

Bob Nishikawa

Grant Abbott

Paula Stoker

Karen McKenna

Kathleen Wood

Amanda Deuling

Alain Masson

1. Meeting called to order, 6:12 PM.
2. Agenda approved with two additional items (m/GA, s/KW)
3. Minutes of Feb 16/09 Board meeting adopted (m/GA, s/KW); *to be posted on website.*
4. Treasurer's Report: Paula reviewed; adopted (m/GA, s/KMc). Note that Haywood funding must be re-applied for to continue in 2009/2010. Report on past season to be submitted to Haywood.
5. New Business
 - 5.1 Volunteer of the Year Nominations – due April 9. Consensus to nominate Beth Hawkings for this award
 - 5.2 Ad in newspaper during National Volunteer Week in April. Support for ad to be placed jointly with WCCSC, in Yukon News only. Separate ads will be placed at different time to thank sponsors, and congratulatory ads.
 - 5.3 GMLC BBQ and race volunteer appreciation day. Paula advised on organization of event, and that invitations to race volunteers to be sent out shortly. Paula requested that she needs all names of race volunteers from Chiefs of Races, to ensure list of invitees is complete.
 - 5.4 Meeting Dates:

Board Meeting	April 15 th noon
WCCSC joint mtg	May 7 th (proposed recently)
Planning Session	May 13 th 5 pm
AGM	May 30 th 9 am

Note: Input on priority items for Planning Session to be provided to Paula prior to regular Board meeting on April 15th. These items will be discussed at the Board meeting to finalize agenda for Planning Session
 - 5.5 Board Members for 2009/2010 season

Members to advise Paula of intention to remain on the Board prior to next Board meeting. Two positions are currently vacant. Also need Committee Chairs to prepare annual reports for AGM by no later than April 30th.
 - 5.6 WCCSC Interview with Stephan Aucoin – update on interview regarding new direction for the Club, and some of the history/changes over the years it has operated. Board was briefed on interview FYI.
6. Old Business
 - 6.1 School Challenge Update (Amanda): took place on Wed, March 25, 9 – 2:15PM; approx 180 students participated from 8:30 am to 3:15 pm. Parandic equipment (sit ski) was popular with students who tried them out.
 - 6.2 Cold weather Policy for loppets: Grant provided a draft policy; asked for comments by March 30th.
 - 6.3 Whitehorse as Early Season Training Centre - deferred until Kirk is back.
 - 6.4 Timelines reviewed (Paula):

- April – ski team nominations
- Volunteer of the Year
- Sport Yukon awards
- Sport Coordinator; Committee Chairs reports prior to April 30th.

6.5 Coaches Planning Session - April 4th at Sundog retreat. CCY to contribute to dinner costs \$400 to be approved by Treasurer.

7. Committee Reports:

7.1 High Performance:

- High Performance Grants – 5 athletes are eligible
- 11 athletes will receive bonus cheques for performances at Nationals
- Still looking for Chair of HPC for next year

7.2 Events & Technical (Grant):

- Lessons learned from this season – lots of races; no spare weekends available so very difficult to reschedule races given extent of cold weather.
- Chiefs of Races somewhat inexperienced, so relied heavily on experienced sub-chiefs. Plan to train Chiefs and Sub-chiefs early in season to avoid pitfalls
- Purchase Summit Timing system is supported; Confirm source of funding
- Use of Summit at Nationals tbd – Bob to discuss with Chief of Timing re: training needed and use at Nationals 2010.

7.3 Leadership Development (Bob):

- Completed training for Team Sprint; confirm stadium is suitable for event; not sure how valuable the practice team spring event was as few skiers, and very different levels, so not very representative of what is expected in Nationals

7.4 Youth Development(Kirk) – deferred as Kirk absent

7.5 Squad Representative: (Karen)

- Squad parent meetings will be held shortly; Feedback to be provided to coaches at coaches planning session.

8. Sport Coordinators' Reports (Alain and Amanda):

- Nationals – 80% of athletes that participated were racing at personal best performances.
- Amanda's contract completed at end of March; Expect to renew under Haywood for next year (full-year).

9. Administrator's Report (Paula):

- Nothing new to report

Upcoming meeting: CCY Board meeting, Wednesday, April 15th, 12:00 noon, Sport Yukon

Meeting adjourned 9:30 PM.