



SKI NB

Minutes Board Meeting

December 10, 2024

7:00 pm Zoom

PARTICIPANTS: Clarence Bennett, Michel Bois, Dick Daigle, Pierre Daigle, Eric de Jong, Jeff Ellis, Ben Kaley, Brad Lashley, Michele Leger, Carla MacNeil, Jeff Pike, Marla Pisegna

Guest – Greg Evans – Sport Consultant Department of Sport & Recreation GNB

REGRETS: Marc-Antoine Berube

1. Welcome, Call to Order – Erik called the meeting to order at 7:03pm.
2. Greg Evans provided an overview of the new Organizational Strength Assessment that PSOs must complete as a requirement for core funding starting in 2025. One component of the assessment/scoring is establishing three key committees - Finance Nomination and Governance. Greg covered the role/responsibilities of these committees. Ski NB will need to complete the assessment in Jan/Feb and meet with Greg and his counterpart in mid 2025 to review. He also mentioned that Sport NB offers a Governance Essentials course free of charge and noted that one of the NB PSOs has made it mandatory for all board members to complete this course. It is an online self paced course. Carla will send the link to the board.
3. Staff updates:
 - Director Coach & Officials Education - Michele
 - L1 Officials course held last week with 5 participants. L1 and L2 officials courses scheduled for January.
 - 3 EL courses scheduled at each NB hill in December and January. PMRC coach PD day scheduled for this month with 15 registrants.
 - Sent an update to clubs with coaches registered to date with a reminder to ensure all coaches are registered prior to being on snow.
 - Athletic Director - Brad
 - Met today with CSIA to review NBPPI strategic plan. Received very positive feedback on the plan. Brad & Michele will present detailed programs to the board at the January meeting. Final plans due to CSIA January 20.
 - Provided recap of preseason camp.
 - Speed camp plan, budget and notice will be the focus in the next two weeks.

4. Approval of Agenda & Additional items: M/S (M. Pisegna/J. Ellis) *CARRIED*
5. Approval of minutes October 8: M/S (D. Daigle/J. Ellis) *CARRIED*
6. Financial Update:
- a) Reviewed financial statements. No concerns.
 - b) Erik raised vacant Treasurer position. Looking for a board member to act as Treasurer – responsibilities include chairing the Finance Committee meetings as required, reviewing financial reports, presenting finance committee recommendations to the board as required. Current Finance Committee members – Erik, Marc-Antoine, Dick.
7. Business Arising
- a) Governance committee – Clarence will chair the committee. Will create terms of reference before recruiting members. Will seek volunteers from member clubs.
8. New Business
- a) Preseason camp report – Jeff reviewed the report. One key challenge was lack of proximity of athlete accommodations. Will need discussion for future camps with the objective to have all athletes staying at the same location.
 - b) Ski Cross course proposal – Pierre provided overview of the plan and proposal to build a SX course at Mont Farlagne. Detailed design/implementation plan and budget will be finalized prior to end of year. Ski NB has SX equipment which can be used (start gate, flags, bibs). Pierre and team to identify all equipment requirements. Board agreed to provide some financial support for the initiative. Ski NB to discuss contribution after total cost is understood.
 - c) FIS quota changes – new quotas for FIS races in Canada recently announced in National Competition Rules document (Carla sent to clubs for distribution document also on the Ski NB website under Docs/Policies as well as on the ACA website). ON, QC, BC, AB each have a minimum quota of 10/10. Members of CAST team are not counted in quota. Atlantic, Saskatchewan and Manitoba to share quota of 10/10. Ski NB to prepare response to ACA.
 - d) Trailer transportation – trailer will be transported via flatbed versus towed by club members. Ski NB will cover the cost. PEI will need to cover the cost if they require fencing. Will confirm with PEI.
 - e) New equipment purchases – Decision not to purchase new timing laptop at this time. No new equipment purchases identified. Marla to meet with clubs to implement process to ensure timing equipment is complete and operational before being transported to next venue.
 - f) TD compensation – discussed proposed compensation for race TDs. Ski NB will provide an honorarium of \$250/day to TDs. TDs will submit expenses to host clubs. Clubs are responsible to determine expenses to be covered. TD assignments for NB/PE races are:
 - Mont Farlagne Jan 11-12, 2025, (U14 +) Michele Leger TD
 - Crabbe Mountain Jan 30 (training day) – Feb 2, 2025, (U14+) Dawn McLean TD
 - PEI Alpine March 1-2 (U8-U12) Michele Leger TD
 - Poley Mountain March 15-16, 2025, (U14+) Dick Daigle TD

Motion to adjourn C. Bennett

Meeting adjourned at 8:24 pm

Next Meeting – Tuesday January 14, 2025 7:00 PM