



US Ski & Snowboard CR2 Board Spring Meeting

Sunday, April 22, 2018

8:30 AM Central Time

Holiday Inn 135 E. Grand Avenue

Port Washington, WI

Agenda

Approved Minutes 10-7-18

Call to Order 8:33a.m.

Attendance

Eric Gee, Scott Bence, Ken Wentland, Jonathan Manderfield, Ron Lawrence, Pat Slattery, Mike Morris, Cindy Lawrence, Kevin Herrle, Will Nourse, Brewster McVicker, Mark Bindas, Eric Seaborg, John Manderfield, Sydney Koop, Gary Wehner

Approval of Fall Minutes: September 24, 2017

Motion to approve by Eric Seaborg second by Sydney Koop.

Old Business: None

Recap of 2017-2018 Season

Eric Gee, recognized Brad Seaborg who qualified for US Nationals. Sydney Koop gave an overall recap starting with Granite Peak Skills Project, Nubs Nob, Sunburst/Metro Cup, Ripley Project, Shelley Glover, Lacrosse, Indianhead Speed Camp, Lutsen FIS (John added details about this race, we need more parents to volunteer), Chestnut/Metro Cup (award by birth year was a great hit), Hosking Championships, JC's at Rocky, Tyrol Basin, Ski Brule Finale (John best numbers 126, Jess did a great job and their staff was great, special thanks to all the great parents), Lutsen Championship (Eric Seaborg gave a update of his experience at Sun Valley Idaho), Skills & Thrill Granite Peak Skills Project (Ron Lawrence, biggest turnout ever 60+ athletes, even some U19's attended and had a great time, the duals were a great hit). Eric Gee, we did extend our ski season in Dec. and April, we also did some cross region racing. Volunteers discussion, we're looking for someone to handle the awards, Eric Seaborg is looking



to retire from this duty, we are also looking for 1-2 race administrators. Scott Bence- will continue with monthly updates and advertise for off season volunteer positions. Eric Gee, recognized Jothanon Manderfield as athlete representation. Jonathan is going to be stepping down. John Manderfield gave a overview of the position. Sydney, will get a note to the coaches about a athlete rep positions that are open.

Sydney Koop, recapped the Metro Cup Season, 33 athletes last year to 40 athletes this year. We converted almost 1/2 into fulltime members the following year. Trying to simplify the registration process further this year. Explained the process for new members. Adding races is still a challenge, but overall it was a success with a 18% increase for prior season.

John Manderfield wanted to recognize a past board member Lindsay Vogel who passed away he will be missed.

Updates from CASC

Eric, gave an update and asked Ron Lawrence central coaches chair explained how as coaches chair he first met with the coaches regional chair and developed a plan to work together and move forward. He want to identify the issues that make athletic sense. How as coaches do we get these changes made. The coaches chairs need to reach out to their coaches and obtain input. Ron needs to report to Darlene in the next 3 weeks to Darlene on the Angie's position as youth director. Is the position producing a value? Sydney Koop will start conference calls with coaches. John Manderfield is looking at adding some language into our procedure and policy.

Eric Gee, explained the new FIS point min. penalty change to 30 pts min., Safe sport compliance for all background checks and a webinar will be required for all.

There was also discussion about bringing the divisions together for Qualifiers U14-U16. John Manderfield added the regions are together except for the Qualifier. R1 Coaches want to come together but R1 parents are holding them back. This will help by having our athletes have increased head to head competition and meet others as well.

Brewster High School Sports Committee update, certain states restrict high school athletes from attend a certain number of USSA races. They are looking a having a High School national championships. Contact Brewster if you have ideas you want to share.



Ron Lawrence, Badger State Games, 1 day high school event. He is reaching out to other states such as MN to see if they have interest.

Sydney Koop, 2019 Rocky Central Championships, U-14 Location TBD (Steamboat or Vail), March 13-17th 2019 and the U16 Winter Park March 4-10, 2019.

CR2 Finances

Eric Seaborg, book close May 31st, regarding finances we are in good shape financially. P&L's will be presented at the fall meeting.

CR2 Equipment

John Manderfield, equipment update we are in great shape. "B" netting has to be inspected/certified every five years. Hills should be aware of this.

Eric Gee, Timing /Office-we have a full inventory of all equipment. New computers have been purchased consisting of 8 laptops.

New Business:

- Advance Planning for Fitness Assessment**

Ken Wentland will look into a location and date and stated the importance of the test. The test gives you the ability to compare and review. This can be done at the club level. Brewster M. suggested we add a 2nd spring test.

- Advance Planning for AO Clinic**

Tentative Date November 3-4th, maybe the 2nd weekend in Nov. we have to work on the date and location. Scott Bence will work to find a venue.

Questions and Comments from the floor

Question from the floor, question on region finances. The region is in good shape. More information will be available at the fall meeting.

Kevin, question on SL qualifier and the number of athletes on a course. Eric Gee explained multiple athletes is somewhat a standard. For the R/C U14 ranking, will that be relooked at, not at this time. Sydney is looking into this and will discuss with the coaches. Can we get a gate keeping videos and make it more accessible. Scott will add to summer e-mails reminder and local clubs. John M. stated that need more jury advisors and chief of race are needed. Brewster thanked the board for being invited to this meeting. He does offer coaches clinics,



please contact him if interested. Ron Lawrence, wants to see some pace at our races. We need to take some and get pace at our races.

Announcement of Fall Board Meeting

October 7, 2019 Location TBD

Adjourn

Motion by Scott Bence second by Eric Seaborg 11:56p.m.

