



MINUTES

Attendees

Laurie Bemis, Matthieu Corriveau, Jennifer Heath, Megan Lohmann, Sam Sedlowsky (Zoom), Johnny Shaw (Zoom), Jane Stevens

Absent

Mike De Jong, Alisha Rella

1. Approval of Agenda – Motion by Jenn, 2nd Matthieu
2. Approval of Minutes Sept 18 and Oct 16, 2023 – Motion by Matthieu, 2nd Johnny
3. Admin Update (Alisha)
 - SDP update. 60 kids. Start Jan 6th. 2024. Registration closes Dec 9th. 2023
 - New coaches to do online course and criminal record check.
 - Indigenous program to be facilitated by school (EIDES). Alisha to coordinate with Rebecca.
 - Fernie RV resort to purchase 2 packs of 12 passes (\$144/pack - Matthieu)
 - Griz Days – An ambassador will participate on the Friday at the hut as last year.
 - Hut Rentals – Elk Valley Kids Group will be using the hut on Mondays if cold. contact is Megan King.
 - Board agreed to purchase a carafe for hot chocolate etc. Alisha to price.
 - Kids Camp January - call for baked goods.
 - Pumpkin Hunt raised \$2000 – in budget general fundraising 4200. Alisha has written report. Recommending only 2 sessions next year.
 - Outstanding items - Society Bylaws. Policies needing updating: Coaching code of conduct. Parent Responsibilities. Parent Fair Play and photo release.
 - Temperature Cut Off – races -18C to +16C. SDP -15C. Need to confirm who is making the call.
4. Finances (Matthieu)
 - Donations \$625, Optional supplement \$1275. C of F grooming max \$10,000 our budget is \$25,000.

MOTION by Matthieu to amend minutes of April 17th. 2023 meeting to include the following clarification. To designate as internally restricted funds - the Mech. Maintenance Fund \$44,063 and the Snowcat Maintenance Fund \$9,043 at end of fiscal year. 2nd Laurie, all in favour.
(7 board members present)

 - Need a Fernie Nordic Society poster for this season. Alisha to prepare.
 - Registrations for Masters and Kids camps should be capped. Current income \$1720.
5. Membership (Laurie)
 - 685 members to date (736 at this time last year) 75 new members and 1 corporate.
 - Prepare packs of passes for Christmas - give to Grow Children's Store to sell. Advertise in newsletter and on website.
6. Programming/Events/Rentals
 - Events – Fernie Streak

Fernie Nordic Society Directors Meeting
November 20th, 2023
7:00 PM
Zoom and Office



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- Race Team (Johnny) Waxing clinic raised \$2000. 20 race team members. Dry land is continuing.
7. Cedars/Galloway (Megan)
- In Camera
8. Operations and Infrastructure (Jenn for Mike)
- EVNC Grooming Contract with Mark Feldberg is now signed. He is ready to start. The scope of work is the same as last year. The rate is set at \$5460 per full month as approved by the board in October.
 - City of Fernie Grooming Contract has been revised with a reduced scope to address their limited budget of \$10,000. Will selectively groom the 5 km of dyke trail from Maiden Lake through the Annex to the boat ramp like last year This will permit grooming for 2 months (every other day). The city is looking for additional funding to extend grooming.
 - Lights installed around the entire Stadium area and connected to the main generator. This will allow for more effective light during evening training and other events. Many thanks to Matthieu, Dave Smith and Steve Hunter.
 - Construction of Fernie Golf Course north "Bridge" was completed this week under the lead and manpower of the Golf Course staff with the contracted support of Earthrite excavating. We are now all set for the snow on this expanded multi use trail north of the golf course.
 - EVNC Trail clearance around the Cedars Pump House is being worked with Martin Vale to ensure the Cat can get through to groom that area. The rest of the trails are in good shape and we will have the same trails as last year.
 - The hut will be open every morning by Mark with the fire going. Grooming schedule 6 am to 2 pm. Need a closing schedule and a volunteer to close on Mondays. (maybe the race team and/or other late afternoon/evening activities?).
 - Schedule to be added to Sign Up Genius (Jane to re purchase for the season)
9. MOTION to adjourn by Johnny, 2nd Jenn. 8.40 pm

Next meeting Dec 18th, 2023