

CROSS COUNTRY NWT Board Meeting Minutes October 11, 2022 - 7:00 PM Zoom Meeting

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David Mahon, President
Lisa McShane
Shawne Kokelj
Tess Forbes, Inuvik Ski Club representative
Sharon Irwin, Fort Smith Ski Club representative
Ashley Coombs, Hay River Ski Club representative
Gary Magee, Yellowknife Ski Club representative
Sarah Pruys, Administrator

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:20 PM.

1 Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved.

2 Approval of Minutes (September 13, 2022)

The minutes of the regular board meeting minutes of September 13, 2022 were approved.

ACTION ITEM: **Administrators** to update and post September 13, 2022 minutes on nwtski.com and distribute minutes to the CCNWT board and clubs.

3 Action Items (September 13, 2022)

Board members noted the progress of the September 13, 2022 action items.

4 Club Funding Applications

Club Funding Applications were distributed to clubs on October 6. This year, there are three streams: an High Performance (HP) | Track Attack (TA) Grant, an Event

Grant, and a Territorials Grant. The Professional Development grant has been removed as there was too much confusion around who was supposed to organize coach PD (CCNWT will be organizing all coach PD this year).

ACTION ITEM: **Clubs** to discuss the funding applications with their boards and submit requests for the 2022-23 year to nwtski@gmail.com by **Sunday, November 13.**

5 Ski Events

i) Territorials

ACTION ITEM: **Clubs** to advise administrators if their club wants to host territorials by November 13 (same date as Club Funding Applications).

ACTION ITEM: Administrators to share Territorial Ski Race Funding Application.

ii) Club Events

ACTION ITEM: **Clubs** to advise administrators about upcoming 2022-23 events for insurance purposes.

Inuvik Ski Club representative Tess Forbes asked for clarification around the differences between Zone4 insurance that is applied when an individual signs up for a club event, and how events are covered when clubs submit them to CCNWT>

ACTION ITEM: **Administrators and the Executive** to clarify the different types of insurance with Nordiq Canada.

6 Arctic Winter Games and Canada Winter Games

i) Athlete Selection Policies

Athlete Selection Policies for AWG and CWG are nearly completed and will be ready for board review soon.

ACTION ITEM: Administrators to circulate Athlete Selection policies once completed. Clubs to advise if they approve policies by email by Friday, October 21, 2022.

ii) Territorial Trials (AWG): Yellowknife, December 7-11

Yellowknife Ski Club confirmed following the meeting the club has been reserved for AWG trials over December 8-10.

Fort Smith may send one or two youth to trials, Hay River is unsure of the number of youth who will want to tryout. Youth occasionally also attend tryouts from non-club communities.

ACTION ITEM: **Administrators** to book indoor space for trials in case weather does not allow for outdoor trials.

ACTION ITEM: **Administrators** to send AWG trial registration explainer to clubs and community contacts in non-club communities.

iii) CWG - Trials (date TBD)

CWG trials may include a southern race for trials. A call-out to gauge interest will be sent out once the Athlete Selection Policy is complete.

ACTION ITEM: **Administrators** to send out call-out to gauge interest in trying out for CWG once the policy is approved.

7 Coaching

ACTION ITEM: **Clubs** to advise which dates work are available to hold training at their club.

8 Nordiq Canada Equity Funding

Planning is in the initial stages for the Nordiq Canada Equity Funding. The paperwork has not been signed but CCNWT has begun conversations with Spirit North, which has agreed to coordinate the ski clinics and provide instructors to lead the program.

ACTION ITEM: **Administrators** to ask Colin Pybus about his experience working with Spirit North in spring 2022.

9 Club news and updates

Fort Smith Ski Club

- Trails mowed, ready for snow.
- AGM Oct 15 (also trail clean-up, BBQ)

Hav River Ski Club

- Trail work has started.
- Waiting on the utility company to change lights to LED (funded by Town grant).

Yellowknife Ski Club

- Had meeting Oct 3, lots of focus on programming for 2022-23 and fundraising
- Frostbite 50 and Learn to Frostbite programs will be held again.
- Applying for funding to run the Ski At School program again this year (reaches kids from families that don't normally ski, gives them a chance to experience it).
- Running group and individual adult lessons this year.
- Events: Snow Show (hiding pumpkins, giving out prizes as well), Wax and Wine, etc.
- Fundraising: applying for Get Active grants, other small grants (Gary will share links)
- Events: still determining late spring events

Inuvik Ski Club

- AGM Oct 26, 2022
- Have circulated club funding applications, Tess suggested the board apply for Top of the World Loppet funding.
- Caroline Hunter has moved.

10 Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 8 at 7pm.

Action item: **Administrators** to confirm next board meeting date (Tuesday, November 8, 2022) with clubs and encourage clubs to send an alternate to the meeting if a club representative cannot attend.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM.