



Cross Country NWT  
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, November 12, 2025 @ 8:10pm

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Attendance: David Mahon, Chris Paci, John Stephenson, Diane Seals, Sarah Pruys

Regrets: Holly Hesk Jones, Ashley Coombs

Agenda		Notes	Decision/Action
1.	Agenda - review and approve		1. NWT Ski Championships 2. Sport North Dev Grants
2.	Minutes & Action Items - Oct 22, 2025		Deferred to December meeting.
3.	Leadership Development	CC - Yellowknife - November 14-16 CC - Fort Smith - Dec 5-6 <a href="#">Coach Licenses reminder</a> <a href="#">Experience Records reminder</a> Officials Hub update	CC in Yellowknife has been postponed due to low registration. There are only 1-2 people registered for the Fort Smith CC course so we are considering postponing/cancelling that course as well.  We received three separate spreadsheets with officials data from Nordiq Canada today. Sarah will look at how to compile this data before sharing with clubs.  Officials have to <a href="#">renew with SnowReg</a> yearly. Sarah will input Tier 2, 3 events in SnowReg and then officials can log their experience. If you have people who want to become officials they can do Level 1 in The Locker.  More info here: <a href="https://nordiqcanada.ca/officials-hub/">https://nordiqcanada.ca/officials-hub/</a>  Clubs: Send Sarah list of active coaches in 2025/26.
4.	AWG 2026	Trials update	Head Coach: Clair Littlefair Assistant Coach: Stephen Dunbar Team Manager: Linnea Stephenson Coach-in-Training: Jack Panayi

			<p>CCNWT met with coaches on Nov 5 to begin talking about trials. The head coach will be meeting with the YKSC on Nov 17 to plan what is needed to host trials and CCNWT will provide support where needed.</p> <p>So far, we have 10 athletes registered, all from Yellowknife. The deadline to register is Nov 30.</p> <p>Coach contracts have been sent out, a rental car reserved for Whitehorse, and space at the Fieldhouse reserved for during trials in case we have to go to the secondary selection process.</p>
6.	Safe Sport (David)	Safe Sport update	<p>David reviewed Safe Sport for new board members. There is a new set of drafts on the way within the next few weeks for clubs to review following feedback provided by CCNWT on the last draft. David recommends bringing the policy suite back to boards so a greater number of people are familiar with the policies.</p> <p>After CCNWT is happy with the policies, we'll sign an MOU with MACA for third party support (third party is Alias).</p> <p>We are hopeful this new draft will become the final Safe Sport policy suite.</p>
7.	Club Funding	Deadline reminder	<p>Three clubs have submitted club funding applications, which have been shared with the executive.</p>
8.	Meeting Calendar	<p>October: AWG 2026</p> <p>November: AWG 2026</p> <p>December: Safe Sport</p> <p>January: Strategic Plan</p> <p>February: 2027 CWG</p>	
9.	Sport North Development Grants		<p>Sarah spoke with Sport North about the other half of the Community Facilities Enhancement Grant we were hoping to get for Fort Smith and Hay River (as a reminder, they</p>

			<p>gave us \$10K last fiscal for us to split between two projects and said depending on how finances looked this year they might be able to give each another \$5K so both clubs could both get the full \$10K this fiscal). Sport North anticipates being able to release another \$5K for both clubs to better fund the projects, but requires updated quotes to release the money.</p> <p>Clubs can also look at what other grants are available and let me know if they'd like to apply. Typically, quotes and/or a budget are required, alongside a short project description.</p> <p>This is the last year Sport North has to spend down its surplus.</p> <p><a href="https://www.sportnorth.com/sporthnorthdevelopmentgrant">https://www.sportnorth.com/sporthnorthdevelopmentgrant</a></p>
10.	NWT Ski Championships		<p>Yellowknife - willing to host unless another club would prefer to take it on this year.</p> <p>Fort Smith - will check with club to gauge interest in hosting.</p> <p>Sarah - will check with Hay River club to gauge interest in hosting</p>
11.	Club News and updates		<p><b>Fort Smith</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Waiting for snow</li> <li>- Flaming pumpkin ski on Nov 29</li> <li>- Zone4 registration is open</li> <li>- Registering kids for Jackrabbits/TA</li> </ul> <p><b>Yellowknife</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Hosted Snow Show (fundraising, signing up members, race team does waxing, etc) – great success</li> <li>- Wax and Wine on Nov 13</li> <li>- Skiing has started at the golf club</li> <li>- Trail prep has started</li> </ul>

			<b>Hay River</b> -
12.	Next meeting: December 10, 2025 @ 8pm		Meeting adjourned 8:55pm.