

**North Bay Nordic Ski Club
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Zoom virtual meeting
Dec. 21, 2021**

Present: Mark Thomas, Tom Cook, Kathy Wilcox, Andrew Rees, Kevin Denston, Dave Ward, Mike McDonough, Alisha Millar, Henning Helms

Guest:

Regrets: Otto Bedard

Call to Order: Andrew **Time:** 7:03

Appointment of a Secretary: Kathy Wilcox

Approval of Agenda: M: Mike S: Alisha Carried

Declaration of Conflicts of Interest: none

Approval of Minutes of previous meeting: Date: Nov 18, 2021 M: Dave S: Alisha
Carried

Business Arising Board Committees:

Membership: Mike reported that there are currently 882 unique members. The legacy text regarding refunds has been removed from the website and this will only be dealt with on a case by case basis where strictly required.

Financial Update: There was a discussion regarding how to deal with cash for deposit. Dave. W. will make arrangements to set up a suitable solution Andrew will send out the link for the Shared Drive and Directors can submit invoices etc in it. Alisha will put in info on submissions. Others can upload any archived documents and files that may be useful and pertinent as they are able and see fit.

Trails/ adopt a trail: Inner trails are in good shape thanks to the dedicated work of groomers and trail maintenance crews. The Ginsu requires parts as does the Piston Bully.

Building/property: There was a discussion regarding opening the Club and the messaging around that. Tom will arrange custodial staff to be in when lower Clubhouse is open in evenings and lights will be kept on until 9. Snack Bar/ upper club house staff will not be called in until more trails are open and conditions improve. Dave reported that all is good to go with the Clubhouse: restaurant license has been secured and signage is done. Should there be a need to revert to window service, that can happen seamlessly after ironing out any bugs in the system last season. Set up for indoors will work as is for now. Staff can adapt quickly if changes are required.

Socials/ events: Hoping to still set up several events if only for local skiers and

members. Hope to run Chocolate race.

Communications: Discussion on when to use Slack and when to email. Slack seems best to support the back and forth of smaller groups, particularly committee work and email for full board notifications. Moving forward, we will attempt to use this as a loose guideline for which platform to use and when.

Races: Tough to move ahead with plans when so much is up in the air still with Covid and less than ideal snow conditions. Will schedule a "Resolution Race" for Jan. 2 and keep it small and planning fluid. Henning will not be available to help run. Promotion on social media. Still looking for Weiskopf bibs as these will be needed. Andrew and Kevin will consult with Victor to get any race dates that can be posted on the Web site

Snowshoe trails: No longer maintaining Lookout Loop as there are so many others. Change will be made on map on Web site. Tom reported that the Jackrabbit Trail signage, where groomer accesses garage has been sponsored by a parent.

Programs: Enrollment in programs is at near capacity and instructors are in place. It was discussed that parents should be given ongoing up to date info and that JR and BR will be split into 2 groups starting half hour apart on Sunday afternoon to ensure safe distancing. The ski team will also stagger their start to ensure safety. Health unit will be contacted to inquire about the need for screening and masking protocols.

Covid-19

Other Business: Toques were disappointing quality and have been sent back to be redone. Delivery will be late.

Andrew spoke with Steve Dreany and it looks like we can get the Tourism grant money in the spring. Andrew will touch base in February and Henning will check on the beams re price for galvanized etc. Possibility to apply for more money in the next round of grants.

Board feels we are ready to start a Fundraising campaign for the new groomer. We will get a trade in value for ours from the groomer maintenance people when they come to service it and proceed from there. Need to know how much we are looking at raising before starting the campaign.

Next Meeting Date and call for submission of agenda items: Jan. 18, 2022, 7pm via Zoom

Meeting adjourned: M: Tom S: Kathy Carried