

North Bay Nordic Ski Club
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Zoom
7 pm, Feb. 15 2022

Present: Mark Thomas, Tom Cook, Kathy Wilcox, Andrew Rees, Kevin Denston, Dave Ward, Otto Bedard, Alisha Millar, Henning Helms
Guest: Nadine Perron

Regrets: Mike McDonough

Call to Order: Andrew Rees **Time:** 7:00

Appointment of a Secretary: Kathy Wilcox

Approval of Agenda: M: Alicia S: Otto Carried

Declaration of Conflicts of Interest: none

Approval of Minutes of January 18, 2022 meeting: M: Tom S: Dave Carried

Guest presentation: Nadine Perron, Skijoring

Ms. Perron gave a presentation on skijoring, the sport of cross country skiing with working dog companions. She has requested that the Board consider allowing Skijoring in a very limited capacity to gauge interest and impact at the Club. [The Board thanked Ms. Perron for her presentation and will further discuss future opportunities. Andrew will contact Ms. Perron to communicate this to her and it can be discussed with a presentation at the AGM.](#)

Business Arising from Board Committees:

Membership: No report

Financial/Fundraising Update: Alisha updated the Board on finances. Otto noted that there may be a grant opportunity for the LED lights (note Kivi financed these through a grant). The issue with grants will continue to be a limited land lease agreement that limits the grant opportunities available to the Club. [This need to be explored. A](#)

Trails/Adopt-a trail: Kevin reported that a groomer purchase committee meeting is being organized. They are keen to start fundraising for a new groomer and have determined the approximate value of ours as a trade/sell. The Board discussed a more formalized Grooming policy which will be table for future discussion.

Building/property: Dave has on his radar to convene a Building committee meeting when season winds down. The parking windrows have proved to be an excellent solution to haphazard parking in the lot. As Covid rules change and things open up, the Clubhouse will adapt. Capacity changes and monitoring will be Tracy's responsibility. Snack bar will offer food. Basement only, open in evenings for now (though this may change)

Socials/Events: [Otto](#) has set up several events for Family Day weekend including a Story Walk (thank you Jen!, Walk available until March 1) and a Poker Ski event (Mon.). Both will be promoted on social media and an E-news update. Family day

plans. [Otto and Dave](#) will also organize a personal distance challenge for March break and formalize plans for this. Dave Weiskopf has expressed interest in supporting the Club if there are any required purchases that could be branded. The Board discussed Reverse Trail Day and set that for the weekend of March 12 and 13. [Tom will get signage quotes](#) for this and then have signage made for such, noting that it is sponsored by Dave Weiskopf. The Tourism Northern Ontario photoshoot has been postponed due to poor weather.

Communications: Andrew has requested that Board members are able to upload any pertinent documents and information to be shared to the Shared Document accessible through the link on Slack. Tom suggested that there is a lot of Club history (some on website already) that should be in there. Dave Minden's history of the Club for example. It was discussed that it would be great if this could be updated, and a running update be maintained. Perhaps a mention at the AGM

Races: Mark noted that we are running out of weekends for any races. The Club will organize and run a Chocolate Race on the Saturday of Family Day weekend. [Board members will help set up and run](#). Event will be timed and promoted on social media and e news. All participants will receive a chocolate bar which Tom will ask Tracy to purchase with the Snack Bar items. TBD who will bring and arrange music.

Snowshoe trails: No report

Programs: the Ski team will be attending a C Cup race down south

Covid-19: see Clubhouse report above for updates

Other Business: Don Wheeler has reached out to note that he has lots of items for an old time cross-country photo shoot booth if the that might be used for a Fundraiser at some point.

Next Meeting Date and call for submission of agenda items: Tues., March 29 location/mode TBD

Meeting adjourned: 9:00 pm [M: Kathy](#) [S: Mark](#) [Carried](#)