

Alyeska Ski Club Board Meeting Minutes

Date: February 15, 2017, 11:30am

Eagle Enterprises

Meeting Called to Order at 11:30 am

In Attendance:

Shane Langland, Joey Austerman, Morten Kjerland, Matt Tanaka, Carl Swanson, Clint Lentfer, Kjersti Von Wichman, Alex Von Wichman, Rob Wasserman, Julie Wrigley, Jeff Gries, Rob Buck, Tim Charnon, Lara Hildreth and Scott Zahn

Absent:

Stig Colberg (tried calling into the meeting)

Agenda – Call for adding the topic “Different Direction” to the end of the meeting.

Chairman’s Report – Shane

- Discussion on Don Stevens’ letter from the past (seven years ago) to be amended to allow Don Stevens to participate in Masters events.
 - Rob Buck motioned to amend the letter.
 - Julie Wrigley seconded.
 - Alex Von Wichman, Kjersti Von Wichman and Matt Tanaka abstained.
 - Julie agreed to re-write the letter and present to Don Stevens.
- The group discussed to follow-up on the club’s policy, making it consistent so that it would apply to all person(s) in the future.

December 17, 2016 Minutes

- Meeting Minutes from previous meeting on December 17, 2016 motion for approval, minutes approved.

Finance Committee Report - (Morten)

- The actual program fees received to the club have currently exceeded the budgeted amount per each program.
- The Alyeska Ski Club auction is this Saturday 2-18-17; the auction is an important fund raiser for the ski club.
- Hill and timing equipment expenses for the club are tracking over budget, this is a result of the approved purchase for new equipment.
- Rasmuson Grant has not been completed; this requires 100% of the current board members to contribute any dollar amount to the ski club.
 - Lara will email the board members with a list of who has contributed and who remains to contribute.
- Morten discussed that the finance group has consolidated the clubs bank accounts to one account that will be easier to manage and track.
 - The current savings accounts for Masters, Mighty Mites and Juniors still exist.
 - Carl mentioned the possibility of using the Masters’ savings account to help as a scholarship fund opportunity for Junior Athletes.
- Morten discussed the options identified by the finance committee for an employee retirement plan offered by the ski club.
 - The finance committee recommends the SIMPLE IRA Plan.

- Jeff motioned to set up the club with the SIMPLE IRA Plan.
- Alex seconded.
- All in attendance are in favor.
- The group discussed that Mary will help prepare the tax documentation for the ski club and the club will keep the current CPA to review and file the tax documents.
 - No votes taken for this action
- Carl called to attention the “deferred” items for the finance committee
 - The group talked through the idea of providing a reimbursement for paid staff cell phones. No actions were made.
 - The group discussed that family discount was talked about in the past and that it was determined no discount would be provided for families or coaches with athletes in the program. No actions were made.

Alpine Committee Update – (Scott)

Scott discussed that no new alpine committee meeting has taken place in a while. Scott is planning on setting up an alpine meeting within the next week.

- Currently Scott has provided 3 volunteer officials clinics.
- The recent FIS-U event offered more training opportunities with Thelma and Lucy from USSA attending in RA and Timing roles.
- Scott would like to offer 1 more training opportunity for Mighty Mite parents; this would be a volunteer opportunity.
- In the 2017-2018 season ASC is hosting the U16 Western Regions race.
 - The volunteers and staff learned a lot from the recent successful Alyeska Cup races and FIS-U races. This will help prepare for the Western Regions.
 - Planning needs to start for the Western Regions to identify what is required for the athletes (lodging, ski tuning space and coordination with Alyeska Resort).
- Success from the Alyeska Cup and FIS-U races offered a different perspective to USSA representatives that Alyeska and ASC are capable of hosting larger ski events.
 - This needs to be communicated back to the resort, help drive revenue to the resort.
 - What events does the club want to bid on?

Development Committee Report – (Lara)

- Lara reviewed the notes from the Development Committee and announced the new Devos member to the committee (Tiffany Schuyler).
- Pick, Click, Give will only be used with the Mighty Mites 501c3.
 - The ASC would be subject to a yearly audit based on overall finances >\$500k.
- Auction, Feb. 18. Huge event almost sold out.

Program Updates – Program updates were skipped based on time to leave room to discuss the next item.

Different Direction – Scott provided a hand out and identified a question that has been discussed in the past with the Board.

Does the club and ski club board want to develop a high performance athlete plan that is a year round plan?

- What is the demand from the enrolled athletes for a high performance option?
- Scott has put the framework together for this option, but would like to get feedback from the membership via a survey and parent meetings before rolling it out early registration.