SKI NB

Annual General Meeting October 17, 2021 Zoom Meeting

MINUTES

Attendees:

Shane Sutherland – Past President
Dick Daigle, President
Andrew Arsenault – PMRC
Andrew McLeod, Executive Director
Michele Leger, Technical Director
Paul Levesque – Director Mont-Farlagne
Brian Price – Director Crabbe
Joffe Theriault – Director Poley
Danielle Gagne – MFRT
Neil Manson – President CMRC
Amy Gorham – Director Crabbe

Jeff Sparkes - CMRC
Kristin Sparkes - CMRC
Michel Bois - MFRT
Erika Jones - PMRC
Renee Williams - PMRC
Jason Williams - PMRC
Dean Michaud - MFRT
Peter Berube - President MFRT
Kay Mills - CMRC
Brad Englehart Heidi King -

- 1. WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER: President Daigle called the meeting to order at 2:05 PM.
- 2. **QUROUM AND VOTING:** It was determined that a quorum was present. President Daigle explained the voting procedures.
- 3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** M/S (Dean Michaud MFRT/Paul Levesque MFRT) that the Agenda be approved.

CARRIED

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** M/S (Brian Price - CMRC/Joffe Theriault – PMRC) that the minutes of the October 18, 2020 Annual General Meeting be approved.

CARRIED

There was no business arising from the minutes.

5. REPORTS:

PRESIDENTS REPORT: Appendix I.

TREASURER: Andrew McLeod reviewed the Unaudited Financial Statements with the Members.

Andrew McLeod presented the 2021/2022 annual budget.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR: Appendix II.

TECHNICAL DIRECTOR: APPENDIX III.

CARRIED

6. APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS: *M/S (Shane Sutherland - CMRC/Andrew Arsenault - PMRC) that the firm of Teed, Saunders, Doyle be appointed as Auditors for 2022.*

CARRIED

7. AMMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS:

No amendments to By-Laws were proposed.

8. **Elections:** Past-President Sutherland recommended that the following people be re-appointed to the Ski NB Board for an additional 2-year term: Dick Daigle – President' Brian Price – Crabbe and Christian Duguay – Mont Farlagne. Janice MacPherson - Poley has stepped down from the Board and Dawn McLean – Poley has agreed to replace her.

President Daigle thanked Janice for her time on the Board.

M/S (Shane Sutherland - CMRC/Andrew Arsenault - PMRC) that Dick Daigle President; Brian Price – Crabbe; Christian Duquay – Mont Farlagne and Dawn McLean be elected to the Ski NB Board.

CARRIED

9. **NEW BUSINESS:** There was no new business raised from the floor.

President Daigle congratulated Andrew Arsenault on being name Ski NB 2021 Coach of the Year.

President Daigle informed the members present that the 2023 Canada Winter Games guidelines were on the Ski NB website for their review in preparation for the Games.

- 10. DATE FOR NEXT MEETING: The next Ski NB annual meeting will take place in October 16, 2022.
- 11. **ADJOURNMENT:** M (Paul Levseque MFRT) that the Ski NB Annual Meeting be adjourned at 2:28 PM.

President's Report Ski NB AGM 2021

Thank you for attending the 2021 Annual General Meeting. This is my second year as president of Ski NB and in addition to my role with SkiNB, I am continuing as Chair of the AAA Inter-Provincial Committee.

I have enjoyed working with this Board and the members of the SkiNB community and I am always amazed at what a group of dedicated volunteers can accomplish.

As you are all aware, the 2020-21 season was challenging with all races in the country being cancelled. Your Ski NB board working with the COVID committee, the clubs and our partners in the Atlantic region chose to apply an optimistic approach to the season and planned all races with the understanding that public health guidelines would dictate whether they could proceed. Unfortunately, all the events were cancelled, but I must commend the community for their efforts and positive attitudes.

As a Province, we were more fortunate than many others and were able to keep training throughout most of the season. However, we were severely impacted by zone closures with some areas losing a significant amount of training while others did not. Zone 1 and 4 were particularly impacted and had a difficult training season.

As we embark on the 2021-2022 season it will again be challenging and we will need to be patient and adaptable. However, the efforts of public health lead us to believe we will be able to have a race season in Atlantic Canada and field teams for national events and, including the U16 Eastern's to be held in Edmundston in April 2022, and a FIS team consisting of up to 15 athletes. We will also be planning for the 2023 Canada Winter Games taking place at Crabbe and will try to provide our athletes as much access to that track as possible through Speed Week and a CWG Test Event in mid February.

Ski NB will continue to meet regularly with both Alpine Canada and Sport NB to return to sport safely. The Ski NB COVID Committee with representation from each club, drafted a return to sport document that has been adopted by our board and shared with the clubs. This document is available on our website and we will continue to update as new information becomes available.

Based on the hard work of this board and our committees, I am hopeful and excited to enter the 2021-202 ski season. We all understand what a challenging season this will be, but I am confident we can work together to provide a safe competitive race season.

Best Regards Dick Daigle President SkiNB

Appendix II

2021 AGM Executive Director's Report

2021 saw another year of cancelled ski racing due to COVID-19. It has been another difficult year for our athletes, parents, Clubs and Operators.

Financially, SKI NB has come through the pandemic financially sound and ready to head into a new season. The financial statements are in your AGM package and revenue was consistent with past years and expenses were down due reduced ski racing. Overall, we finished 2020-2021 with a \$3.9K net income.

Congratulations to Andrew Arsenault – PMRC for being named 2021 Ski NB Coach of the Year.

It looks like we will see ski racing return in 2022.

This will be my last AGM has I have given notice to Ski NB that I plan to step down as Executive Director at the end of December 2021.

Andrew McLeod Executive Director

Appendix III

Ski NB Technical Director Annual report 2020-2021 This was an odd year for sure. All three clubs had no competition. They were only able to do training.

One of the clubs was able to only miss about a 10-day period. One club was doing really well then, they had a full lockdown and the other club was split as the athletes were split between 2 health zones and one was in lockdown for most of the season.

We had a very active Covid -19 committee that met regularly to keep track of what each club was doing and how we had to respond to the provincial guideline. The government of NB sport and recreation branch had a weekly update and that was what we based our discussions on.

Ski NB had a Speed camp committee as well and we met several times to develop the speed camp into an even better event, however as it became obvious that we were not going to be able to offer this camp we basically stopped meeting.

Ski NB (myself and Dick) met monthly or more with AAA to determine what we could do if anything as Covid -19 pandemic progressed. It had been decided that we would cancel events as we had to and that enabled us to maintain the schedule IF things were ok to host events.

Ski NB offered 3 Entry Level courses. One was at Poley Mountain and two were at Crabbe. In this coming season will be offering at least one at Mont Farlagne and hopefully one at Poley and at Crabbe.

We had Learner Facilitator training offered by ACA and assisted by Coach NB in September via Zoom.

As the Technical Director I had planned to be spend time at each of the three clubs this past season. However, with the global pandemic and the situation that was occurring in NB, i.e., the lockdowns and public health guidelines, kept me in my own health zone and therefore was only able to ski and "coach" at Crabbe Mountain.

The fall fitness testing and spring fitness testing was cancelled. We had a great group of athletes that were interested in attending FIS races, all of which were cancelled and even those that were not... Ski NB athletes would have been able to attend but then would have had to isolate for two weeks upon return.

Plans are already in the works for this coming season. We are offering the fitness testing, we have already met with the Covid -19 committee, we have had our Learner Facilitator training. We will be re establishing the speed camp committee, we will be offering a Performance Level course at Crabbe Mountain in January, we will be offering Entry Level Courses, etc, etc.

I want to express my deepest THANKS to Andy for all his support over the last year or more, I want to say THANK YOU to Dick as well, I have had some family issues that impeded my ability to do as much as I wanted to for Ski NB, and they both were extremely supportive.

Thank you all for this wonderful job I truly enjoy my work and look forward to another great season and hopefully it is a little more "normal" whatever that ends up being.