

Minutes for Kanata Nordic Ski Club Annual General Meeting

April 5th 2016 / 7:00 – 9:00 pm

Beaverbrook Library

Present: Richard Batty, Rich Russell, Adrian Turcanu, Raynor Boutet, Harris Kirby, Lorraine Kirby, Marlene Alt, Maureen Smith, David Bentley, Kam Leung, Jim Lambley, Lily Yip, Ralph Quapp, Don Warner, Kevin Chapman, Michael Asselstine, Arthur Andreassen, Mike Duivenvoorden, Kaleigh Maclaren

1. Agenda, Richard Batty motion to accept seconded by Jim Lambley
2. 2015 minutes reviewed, Rich Russell motion to accept seconded by Jim Lambley

3. Reports

a. Presidents report

The highlights:

- there is now a 10-year agreement with Wesley Clover Parks
- the Ski Swap and Pretzel Race both a success this year
- Snow day as a new initiative was also successful, with a lot of membership growth potential
- Richard Batty is standing down as President
- Specific thanks to Lily Yip for all her volunteer coordinating
- The future plans include trying to make a better connection between the two sites, 401 and 411 Corkstown Road

b. Treasurers report ([see full report online](#))

Don Warner outlined the financial position as outlined in his report

c. Membership

Membership this year was 600 members with 218 in programs and 382 not in programs and 43 new family registrations. The question is how do we prevent turning away interested program participants. Can we encourage more team leaders by offering more training courses?

d. Events

This was summarized as per President report. The year-end banquet will occur on April 30th.

e. Jackrabbit program report ([see full report online](#))

A successful year with the recruitment of many new leaders. The program should come in under budget. It was also noted that there was an empowered parent organizing committee so the coordinator's efforts were decreased.

Bunnyrabbits program also went well. Training areas were found to be sheltered from the wind. There was some exchanging of participants between Bunnyrabbit and Jackrabbit 1. Perhaps consider having three grades of Bunnyrabbits.

f. **Trails** ([see full report online](#))

g. **Promotions**

- Good support from Wesley Clover Parks with promotions via social media
- Thanks to Fresh Air Experience for sponsorship
- 300 or more people attended Snow Day

h. **Racing** ([see full report online](#))

- 400+ volunteer hours over 92 sessions
- Harris Kirby was recognized for his considerable time commitment
- Pretzel Race was well attended with 200+
- Kanata Nordic racers participated in the World Ski Tour opening ceremony
- A new pilot biathlon program was offered this year
- Under budget so a request for equipment like roller-skis

i. **Track attack and Teen Ski Fit** ([see full report online](#))

- Lynn Morgan and David Bentley coordinated sessions
- Dryland training began in the fall
- The campground was found to be a good terrain for training

j. **Adult program**

- Novice had 18 participants registered with 12 attending regularly
- Touring group of 12-15 skied in Gatineau Park on Saturday mornings

k. **Vice President: no report requested**

David Bentley proposed a motion to accept all the reports this was seconded by Don Warner.

4. Proposed amendment to the Bylaws

1. A motion was proposed that the bylaws be adjusted so that the AGM is held before April 30th rather than the current March 31st

This was proposed by Don Warner and seconded by David Bentley and accepted. The change will be posted on the website.

2. A motion was also put forward to “include the position of Coordinator of Volunteers as a voting member of the Executive, therefore increasing the Executive to 13 positions. This was accepted.

5. Election of Executive

The proposed slate for positions on the Executive:

President: Marlene Alt

Vice President: Rich Russell

Treasurer: Brendan Duivenvoorden

Secretary: open

Membership Coordinator: Gene Vigneron

Events Coordinator: open

Promotions Coordinator: Kaleigh Maclaren

Track Attack: David Bentley

Racing Coordinator: Jim Lambley

Adult Coordinator: open

Jackrabbit coordinator: Maureen Smith

Coordinator of Volunteers: Lily Yip (acting)

(Past President: Richard Batty)

Harris Kirby moved to accept the current slate and seconded by David Bentley, unanimous acceptance of the positions as stated.

Meeting adjourned 21:00