

SASKI – SKIING FOR DISABLED
AGM and PROVINCIAL FALL PLANNING MEETING

Sask Abilities Council at 1410 Kilburn Ave location in Saskatoon
Sunday, Nov. 4, 2018 (11:05 am – 16:08 pm)

In attendance:

Voting Members:

Pat Prokopchuk (Chair, Saskatoon Nordic), Dave Zerr (Alpine/CADS Co-Chair, Asessippi Avalanche), Jeff Whiting (XC Chair, Saskatoon Nordic and Hudson Bay Ski Club), Gord Poulton (Regina Alpine Adaptive Ski Program of Regina Ski Club), Colette Bourgonje (Para-Ski Coordinator, Sturgeon River Nordic), Helen Grimm (Vice-Chair, Regina Ski Club), Jaimie Smith-Windsor (Sask Adaptive Snow Ski Club), Kyle McEwen (Wapiti Ski Club), Lorelei Ehman (Biathlon Chair), Wayne McGilliray (Table Mountain), Murray Bedel (Ft Qu'Appelle), Dave McQuaid (N. Battleford XC), Gail McCallum (Table Mountain Ski Club), Steve Bell (Alpine/CADS Co-Chair, Regina Ski Club), Ali Osadiuk (Sask Adaptive Snow Ski Club), Quinn Smith-Windsor (Sask Adaptive Snow Ski Club)

Observers:

Michelle Dezell (SaskSport Consultant), Doug Rudolph (Sask Blind Sport)

Regrets:

Marc Manduson (Wapiti Ski Club), Gloria Stang (Hudson Bay Ski Club), Gene Layton (Snobuddy Ski Club), Andrea Muir + Chantelle Gosselin (Sask. Wheelchair Assoc.), Murray Ernst - Pres of Sask Snoboard, Joanne Fergrron, Judy Prociuk, Jolanta Kedra & Ron Walsh (Blind Skiers' Program of Saskatoon Nordic), Alison Robertson (Sask Abilities Council), James Brown and Kryztle Shewchuk (Prince Albert Ski Club); LaRonge Ski Club, Dave Elder (Sask Adaptive Snow Club); Jesse Ehman (N Battleford Biathlon Club and Saskatoon Nordic); Nikhit (Sask Blind Sport)

Agenda

1. Introductions / Welcome.
2. Club accreditation and Adoption of Agenda.
3. Acceptance / Amendments of previous meeting of N0v.18,2017 (minutes attached).
4. Business arising from previous meeting.
5. Reports:
 - a. President's Report & Financials (Prokopchuk)
 - b. Para Alpine / CADS Report (Zerr + Bell)
 - c. Para Cross Country / Biathlon (Whiting + Ehman)
 - d. Para Development Coordinator (Bourgonje)
 - e. Club or Area Reports, or Comments from any clubs with paraski activity:
(eg) Regina Adaptive Ski Program of Regina Ski Club; Saskatoon Blind Skiers of Saskatoon Nordic Ski Club; Snobuddy; Saskatchewan Adaptive Snow Ski Club; Asessippi Avalanche; Sturgeon River Ski Club; Ft. Qu' Appelle Ski Club; Wapiti Ski Club; North Battleford XC Club; North Battleford Biathlon Club; Table Mountain Ski Club, Sturgeon River Nordic; La Ronge Ski Club.
6. Board Elections:

Nominating Committee (Murray Bedel + Helen Grimm)
Members of the Board of SASKI-Skiing for Disabled include: President; Vice President; Secretary/Treasurer; Alpine Chairperson; Cross Country Chairperson; Biathlon Chairperson.

A Club is the basic membership and voting unit of the Association and voting is in accordance with the formula (based upon vote from last AGM):

20 members and under = 1 vote

21 -100 members =2 votes

101- 200 members = 3 votes (and so on)

Clubs more than 500 km from the location of the AGM can submit a signed proxy vote with another Club. All individual members are entitled to attend any AGM or special general meeting of the Association, and all voting is in accordance with the above,

7. Potential Planning Topics.
 - a. SK 2019 Winter Games, if not adequately covered in the reports,
 - b. Provincial para ski training schedule (ie, mainly para-alpine and para-nordic)
 - c. newest emerging SK Ski area (Optimist Hill).
 - d. Sask Sport Adaptive Sport initiative (SASKI-Skiing for Disabled; WC Sports; Deaf Sports; Blind Sport).
8. Other.
9. Adjournment.

Meeting Minutes:

Discussion of accreditation: List of clubs list and membership numbers was supplied by Alana Ottenbreit, Executive Director, SASKI.

Accreditation List:

Name	Club Name	Number of votes
Dave McQuaid	N. Battleford XC	1
Lorelei Ehman	N. Battleford Biathlon (proxy)	1
absent	Snobuddies Ski Club	0
Lorelei Ehman	Saskatoon Nordic Ski Club	1
Colette Bourgonje	PA Nordic (Proxy)	1
Jeff Whiting	Hudson Bay Nordic	1
Jeff Whiting	Sturgeon River Nordic (proxy)	1
Gail McCallum	Table Mountain Ski Club	1
Gord Poulton	Regina Ski Club	2
Jaimie Smith-Windsor & Wayne McGilliray	Sask Adaptive Snow Sport Club (SASSAC)	2
Kyle McEwen	Wapiti Ski Club	1
David Zerr	Assessippi Ski Club	1
Murray Bedel	Ft Qu'Appelle Ski Club	1
absent	La Ronge Ski Club	0
12/14 clubs present		14

Motion: Approval of the Accreditation Colette/Gord Carried

Motion Adopt minutes from last meeting (Fall Meeting Nov. 18, 2017) as corrected
Dave McQuaid/ Murray

Carried

Submitted Agenda, 2017 AGM Minutes, Reports (17):

<https://www.dropbox.com/home/SASKI%20AGM%20Meeting%20Reports>

Change of title to AGM/....

Discussion of whether minutes need signing or minute makers name.

Discussion of equipment MOU for clarification.

Business arising from last meeting

Action: Pat to provide the insurance inventory list and create and lending inventory and create an MOU (Jeff to provide Biathlon Rifle MOU) to maintain equipment for both ski area operator and clubs. Steve Bell to create spreadsheet by Dec. 30, 2017. Post season equipment inventory/inspection not done at end of last season, as intended by volunteers

We need to do the job requested last year. While we do not have any rights to club list we are requesting that the list be made available.

Sub-committee to be re-created to get Discipline Chairs to collect the info & repair (Nov 19-20). Discussion of whether clubs were paying for the equipment which covers repairs. Suggest that a tag be put on equipment giving the repair. We need some idea on equipment need.

Motion: Adoption of agenda – Colette/Gord

Carried

Minutes from Meeting

5. Reports

- President's Report & Financials (Prokopchuk)

As sent out

Discussion of Financial Report. Further explanation and discussion of Financial Report. Balance sheets of past 2 seasons included for illustrating how grants usually span across SASKI year ends, so that the balance / net numbers may not appear logical compared to activity in each season, ie, different year ends.

Discussion about kneeler funding, whether it is finished.

The rotation for SASKI presidency is up to Skiing for Disabled for the upcoming one year term. The policy has been to try to find a skier with disability to accept this position. Pat is working on this.

- Para-Alpine & CADS Report (Steve)

As sent out

- CCC / CCS Report (Whiting) with CCC PN Ctte supplement (Prokopchuk)

As sent out

- Biathlon Report (Whiting for Ehman)

As sent out

Motion: That SASKI Skiing for Disabled will continue to follow the HPPI (2016-2019) plan and use every effort to close the gap outlined in the report - Jeff/Colette

Carried

As sent out

- Para Development Coordinator Report (Bourgonje)

As sent out

- Para-Alpine (Gord)

As sent out

Discussion about funding for recruitment. We need to start looking a monitoring and sharing especially from our successful clubs.

Presentation on social media

- Club Reports

Regina Alpine Adaptive Ski Program (Poulton): Run a 6-day program; 5 mountain training camps; fundraising events include steak nights and the Challenge Cup with SaskTel sponsorship, attendance at CADS Pre-courses and NCCP and EL courses; planning joint events between Mission Ridge / Wapiti / Table Mountain; possible equipment sharing plan; Kurt Oatway agreeing for another 4 year cycle towards the next Paralympics; difficulty in skier recruitment from the 1-day school visits to the ski areas

Asessippi Avalanche (Zerr):

There is a disconnect gap between managing a race team (weekly instruction) and drop-in instruction (once per year). Asessippi contemplating a proposal for a "Ken's Day" as a memorial event or a way to celebrate the legacy of Ken Waldherr; Other area operators echo the issues of keeping instructors.

Wapiti + Table Mountain + SSASC (McEwen, McGillivray, Smith-Windsor):

These other clubs and ski areas echo the issues of retaining instructors.

Motion: To accept the reports as discussed Dave Zerr/Gail Carried

Election: Bedel headed the Nominations Committee. Candidates for the President's position were Prokopchuk and Bell. Presentations were heard from each candidate.

Nomination:

President: Pat Prokopchuk & Steve Bell vote to be held

Motion: Nominations cease Jamie/Colette Carried

Vote by secret ballot conducted by Grimm with assistance from Dezell.(independent observer)

Elected: Pat

Vice-President: Helen Grimm

Sec./Treasurer: Gene Layton

Cross Country: Jeff Whiting

Biathlon: Lorelei Ehman

Alpine: Dave Zerr

Motion: Destroy ballots Helen/Jaimie carried

Motion: That the remaining positions be filled by acclaimed. Gord/Colette Carried

5. Planning Topic

- Schedule of PA Biathlon & PN Events;

- SaskCup race schedule is on the discipline web sites
- SK 2019 Winter Games
 - i. Nordic - 3 athletes instead of 4 (missing one male)
 - ii. Alpine – 1 male (possible 5 in Canada)

Discussion about lack of funding for athletes. Suggestions to try approach Kiwanis /Kinsmen Clubs / Lions Clubs national / Casinos. Try Lions, Casino

Motion: In light of this being CWG season, and we have athletes on the pathway to CWG, that SASKI Skiing for Disabled look for any discretionary funds to be made available for training

Dave Zerr/Steve

Carried

- SWG 2018 report
- Provincial para-ski training schedule (ie, mainly para-alpine and para-nordic)
- Newest emerging SK Ski Area is Optimist Ski hill within the city limits of Saskatoon ; hoping to be open in Jan 2019 for alpine ski sports with snowboarding terrain park & 2 magic carpets. On the other side of the river there are major renovations to Gordie Howe Bowl for expanded XC ski amenities.
- Sask Sport Adaptive Sport Initiative discussions (Saski Skiing for Disabled; WC Sports; Deaf Sports ; Blind Sports). We report on the first meeting on Oct 17,2018 with next meeting scheduled for late November, 20'18. Sask Sport desires that the provincial adaptive sports will amalgamate into some kind of a model that will be sustainable, efficient, and as a clean funding vehicle for the long term. Sask Sport basically does not wish to take the leadership on this; they prefer to be a funder and a partner and allow the sports to form the template. We tried to identify a bit of a collaborative vision, the concept of a 'pathway facilitator (sort of like the CPC Talent Search idea, but not exactly the same), simplicity, 'models' of ability where there is no focus on the disability, the legal issues with privacy in social services and the barriers / stereotypes in blind culture & deaf culture & Special O, as well as LTAD and coaches (including for the elderly and fit-for-life). Nothing concrete yet about an Adaptive Sport umbrella organization. Sask Sport is not in a rush. We were asked for input for the Nov meeting from our constituency.

Motion: SaskSport under the Sask Sport Adaptive Sport Initiative hold a para-sport summit to discuss this initiative & that Sask Health, Ministry of Social Services - Office of Disability Issues and Ministry of Education be included to develop an appropriate business model to provide for all participants (sport for life)

Jeff/Jaimie

Carried

Motion That the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

Minute taker: Jeff Whiting