

Nickel Plate Cross Country Ski Club

AGM 2023

MINUTES

Wednesday, June 21, 2023, 6:00 PM
Penticton Community Centre - Meeting Room #4, 325 Power Street, Penticton

Meeting called to order at 6:01 pm

1. Welcome remarks and Agenda Review - Rick Watson (President)

The NPNC acknowledges that it is operating, playing and working on the traditional and unceded territory of the Syilx Okanagan People. A list of members attending is provided at the bottom of the Minutes.

2. Introduce Board of Directors – Rick Watson (President)

The following are the current NPNC Board of Directors: Rick Watson (President), Kevin Wilson (Vice President), Paul Donkersloot (Secretary), Greg De Gagne (Treasurer), Ray Mumby (Trails), Ian McAndrews (Director) and Mike McInnes (Director), Jens Petersen (Director).
Tricia Wilson (General Manager)

3. Approve 2021 Minutes – Rick Watson (President)

Greg De Gagne moved that the 2022 AGM Minutes be approved. **CARRIED** (all in favour)

4. Financial Update – Greg Degagne (Treasurer)

Greg presented an update on the financial position to date and a forecast for the remaining year. Highlights noted included:

- Total income for the year (\$383,00) would be less than last year if not for the \$100,000 donation. Although income is down, expenses are also down more.
- Because of the one time donation the club's profit (\$128,000) is up significantly. \$100,000 of the income will be used to construct a second warming cabin. Profit is still up even after taking this into account.
- Any excess income will go towards the replacement of the grooming machine, which is done on a regular basis.
- A new snowmobile was purchased this year (the old one broke down).
- A \$60,000 CEBA loan from the federal government is due in December. Only \$40,000 has to be paid back.

5. Motion to Approve 23/24 Membership Dues

Sarah Broder moved that the membership rates for the 2023/24 season remain unchanged from the previous year. **CARRIED** (all in favour). The government sets the day rates which influences what the club can set membership rates at.

6. Election of Directors

Rick Watson moved that Shannon Keyes and Peter Achtem are added to the existing board for the 2023/24 NPNC board of directors. **CARRIED** (all but 2 in favour)

7. Manager's Report 2022/23 – Tricia Wilson (General Manager)

Tricia presented a quick snapshot on the past year's operations at NPNC:

- NPNC opened on Nov 11 for full time operations.
- The club saw 691 registrations. Of the 691, 552 were paying members, 102 were Indigenous and 38 were senior registrants.
- Total revenue from the office was down slightly from the previous year, but expenses were also down.
- The rainbow coalition ski program needed some fine tuning, but in the end it was a success.
- The club has a new phone number. The provider was switched to Telus (the bills have been reduced). The club now has year round internet and security.
- The consignment store generated over \$5,000, The majority of sales were from selling Jakroo clothing. It was difficult to find volunteers to keep the store open.
- The Indy Pass was a success. The club had 14 people visit from Washington State that had never been to NP.
- Water sample results were all clean. The club still needs to display a warning until interior health decides we have enough of a clean history.
- The club will apply for a community gaming grant this year.
- The waxing trailer has some mold developing in one location. Investigations are being made into what repairs required and the related costs.
- The drain in the kitchen sink needs to be properly connected to the septic system. Costs are to be determined.
- The club is currently looking for a school program coordinator.
- Staffing for the upcoming season is proving to be challenging. The club is looking into ways of compensating for travel time and cost.

8. Strategic Plan Highlights – Rick Watson (President)

Rick provided an overview of the Strategic Plan. The following are some of the highlights from the past year:

- Challenges include an aging infrastructure, financial restraints and the need for volunteers.
- The club hosted the OK Cup which was a success even though the nationals were held a week earlier.
- A land lease application has been sent to the provincial government. If accepted, the club's lease land will increase by an additional 3.5 hectares. The club's leased land is not under the jurisdiction of Recreation Sites and Trails BC.
- Jens Petersen made a presentation on the construction of an additional warming hut "Colleen's Cabin". The cabin is to be built near the top of the eagles nest run. A contractor has been selected. The cabin will be accessible only during ski season. It will include a septic system and a deck with a view.

9. **Logging Update** – Rick Watson (President)

- The club has recently been informed of logging activity that may be occurring this fall in the motherload area.
- The cut block is still in the process of being permitted.
- The club will work with the government and the logging company to protect the integrity of the club's trails.
- The logging activity may result in the construction of a new ski trail.

10. **Adjournment**

Ray Mumby moved that the meeting be adjourned at 7:55 pm. **CARRIED** (all in favour)

Attendance List:

Tricia Wilson
Kevin Dyck
Rick Watson
Greg DeGangne
Paul Donkersloot
Mike McInnes
Ray Mumby
Jens Petersen
Kevin Wilson
Ian McAndrews
Mark Whalen
Mark Wendenburg
Paul O'Neill
Gerald Crawford
Paul Donkersloot
Shannon Keyes
Shane Fox
Peter Achtem
Kevin Dunn
Janelle Parchomchuk
Elvia Dumas
Kevin Wilson
Sarah Broder
Chris Toneff
Kathryn Snider
Doug Archibald
Lisa Wambold

Please note the following attachments emailed to the membership for review prior to the AGM: 2023 Agenda and 2022 AGM Minutes. The 2022 Financials will be presented at the meeting.