

MINUTES - EXECUTIVE MEETING HOLLYBURN CROSS COUNTRY SKI CLUB Monday, February 5, 2024, 7:40 to 9:30 p.m.

Attendance: Dirk Rohde, Morna Fraser, Jenny Williams, Shannon Harris, Marieve Legrand, Jen Gow, Andrea Frisque, Birgit Weaver, Dave Morris, Andrea Hay, Joanne Fenwick, Jake Weaver, Birgit Weaver

Online: Heidi Horlacher, Katya Ananyeya, Tim Blair **Regrets:** Megan Scheffer

1. **Review of Agenda and Past Minutes** Move to accept minutes from Dec. 14, 2023. (Dave/Jen). All approved. Move to accept agenda (Morna/Dave). All approved

2. Program Reports

- Jackrabbit Programs have been going well until recently with the closure of Cypress. Katya has been communicating exceptionally well with Cypress however some concerns have emerged related to club events. The Feb. 3/4 weekend session was cancelled due to the closure of the mountain and this weekend sessions (Feb. 9/10) are at WOP for BC Cup #2. While there are a limited number of sessions left for the season, a plan will be developed to allow for the program to move forward.
- Track Attack A dryland session was offered on Saturday, Feb. 3rd which was followed by an on-snow session at WOP on Sunday Feb. 4th. The older TA athletes had the option of skiing at WOP on Saturday and Sunday. If a session is planned at WOP, we need to communicate the schedule to Tim Hope. As a substitute for the weeknight sessions, the TNR are encouraged. 57 athletes are registered for Track Attack Champs in Kelowna. There have been challenges with coach retention this season.
- Adventurers There will be a joint Adventurers/TA option to ski in the backcountry at WOP.
- Racing Team Race team attended BC Cup #1 and 33 athletes will attend BC Cup #2. A plan is being developed to allow the race team athletes to train, which will involve the Tuesday night TNR, a Wednesday night ski at WOP, a weekend practices at WOP, and potentially a double poling practice. Hollyburn skier Eamon Wilson attended Youth Olympics and represented the club well. Eamon Wilson and Katie Weaver were both selected to attend the World Cup races in Canmore with Eamon racing long distances and Katie racing in the Sprint. Katie Weaver also competed at World Cup races in Germany and Switzerland in January.
- Adult Program Good feedback from the participants.
- Coaching Coordinator CCBC T2T is getting organized. A parent came forward with a training opportunity to help our coaches support neurodiverse skiers. **ACTION:** Heidi and Zoe will have a call to discuss next steps.

3. **Past/Upcoming Events**

- Coast Cup/BCWGT Events December 17, 30, January 20 events went well despite the challenging conditions.
- Lantern Ski December 28 The Lantern Ski was unfortunately cancelled this year due to the conditions at Cypress.
- BC Cup #2 February 10/11 is going ahead.

• Payak – February 24 – Kids' program champion – Planning for the race is underway and we are optimistic the race will go ahead. The registration discount code was set up incorrectly resulting in a small number of skiers paying the wrong amount. This error was fixed and due to the small number of skiers this involved, the Executive decided to waive retroactively correcting the payments.

4. Financials

- Budget Financials were discussed. There were some savings in the clothing budget. The SDP administration is nearing completion and will be submitted soon to CCBC. The gaming grant will be submitted in March.
- Wax Hut Now that the new building is complete Dave can complete the fascia installation. Upon inspection, Dave found the roof needs some repairs and the railing needs to be rebuilt. ACTION: Dave will prepare a budget for the repair with the assumption the work will be completed by Hollyburn members. Cypress is building a deck on the east side of the rental building and will include our hut and replace our stairs. Our thanks are extended to Sen for building new wax forms. More ski ties are required for the rental fleet. ACTION: Shannon to follow up with Coast Outdoors regarding excess ski ties available from our Coast Cups.
- Operation Snowball There has been a slow start to our fundraiser with \$1K of our \$15K goal raised to date. Plans are underway for another email to club members to generate more support.

5. Ongoing Business (Current Club Issues)

- Long Term Strategic Plan Executive discussed the option to solicit feedback on our fee structure for our programs and on our asset management. The Executive agreed that this is too focused for the survey so this will be considered in the Strategic Plan.
- Departing gift for Corinne Andrea made a special gift and Morna will purchase a gift certificate to thank Corinne for her years of service.
- Ski Club Exchange The Executive supports the plan presented by Olivia for the Ski Club Exchange with Chelsea Nordiq. **ACTION:** Heidi will follow up with Olivia advising them we are supportive of their plan.
- Volunteer Appreciation Event Brown Social House- **ACTION:** Joanne will confirm with Andrea that the venue is booked.

6. New Business

- WOP Passes The passes we purchased are nearly used up. **ACTION:** Jen, Marieve and Megan will email Shannon how many passes their programs will need. We will advise WOP that we are communicating to all coaches they must have a ticket or submit a reimbursement claim to Hollyburn for the purchase of a trail pass.
- 7. Next Meeting Monday, March 4th at the Weaver's home 7:30. Motion to adjourn (Morna/Dave)