



September 16, 2014  
Muriel's Kitchen

ATTENDANCE: Board Members: Bob Arsenault, Ray Broomhall, Chummy Broomhall, Paul Jones, Dick Lovejoy, Terry Richard, Roger Arsenault, Mark Thibodeau, Charlie Lever, Herb Adams, Quorum met.

Club Members: John Bernard

MEETING OPENED: 6:00 PM by Chairman Dick Lovejoy.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Both April and June minutes available by printed copy, email copies, and on-line.

Motion: Ray made a motion to accept the minutes. Herb seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion passed to accept the Secretary's Report.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Charlie said on the second page, it shows the transfer of money from savings to checking. He noted that we haven't spent much as of right now except for insurance, accounting bills, and renewal for the post office box. Charlie noted we have \$3,000 in the budget for stadium repair and we have not yet received the homologation trail certification bill

Motion: Paul made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. Roger seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

Trails:

Paul brought up the recent changes on Scotty's Loop Trail. It has been moved uphill 7 meters reducing the loop by 150 meters to avoid interference with Scotty Broomhall's property line and water system. The culvert has a tendency to wash out with big storms and we need an estimate to fix it properly. Currently the brook runs on both sides of the culvert but not through the culvert. It was suggested to have Skip McFawn evaluate it and contact a contractor to do the work. Charlie

asked where the money would come from for it? Out of the stadium funds? Bob recommended we get an estimate and then come back to the board with the request.

#### Race Schedule:

Eastern Cup Races are scheduled for January 17-18, 2015 and the Bates Carnival January 16-17, 2015. We also have the Eastern High School Championships March 20-22, 2015. Roger asked if we should solicit sponsorships for the events from area businesses, especially lodging and restaurants. Paul noted that we have submitted a bid to be part of NENSA New England Marathon Race Series. He said we have not heard if NENSA has accepted our February 8th date because of Bethel's marathon race being held on February 7th. It was suggested that if we held both races that weekend, we could make it a Western Maine Nordic Race weekend and co-advertise with Bethel to draw more to skiers in for both days.

Alpine report from Mark is that the state meet schedule has not been set and we are waiting to hear from the MPA on the dates. Mark noted that the schools that participate in the Friday night races like coming to Black Mountain because of the longer Giant Slalom hill. Mark reported that Coach Lavallee is back up and running and will be back with the race program. Mark noted that we will use money from last year's budget for repairing gates. Mark also mentioned that the Middle School race program will have 3 meets at Black Mountain and day 2 of the state championship is scheduled for February 14, 2015. John reported that the high school cross-country running race scheduled for October 1st has been cancelled due to lack of schools entered.

#### By-laws changes:

John noted that changes to be made to the by-laws include clarifying language of "members". Are they general club members or board members? Who can vote at the board meetings and annual meetings, annual meeting date changes, and resignations and replacements?

Motion: Roger made the motion to accept the changes that John recommends are made to the by-laws and have the new changes posted on the club website.

Paul seconded the motion.

Vote: Motion passed.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

Ski Museum/Book: Herbie noted he would like the museum committee to go to the New England Ski Museum in Franconia, New Hampshire to see what they have done with their museum. Herbie's nephew Bo Adams is the president of it, and he recently sent us some posters and photos pertaining to Black Mountain and

the Chisholm Ski Club. It was noted that our museum committee would meet and decide where to put these pieces and refresh our displays. Paul said we have also received some photos from club members and the committee will review the photos to decide which ones to display in the alpine museum upstairs in the lodge. Paul has requested a bid on a plaque to list Nordic and Alpine Ski Meisters. It will cost approximately \$1,500-\$2,000. Chummy recommended that duplicates of photos and posters be donated to the ski museums in Kingfield or Bethel. Charlie noted that the Memorial Savings went to the museum and the history book. We have \$7,900 with approximately \$4,000 of that ear-marked for the history book.

**Request:** We received a request from the MT Valley High School Renaissance program for a donation to reward kids for good behavior. The budget is already set for this year so they will have to put in a request in April for the 2015 budget.

**Trail Work:** Chummy asked when the trails will be mowed and Paul noted that Jim Carter has it on the schedule to be taken care of. Chummy noted that there is a problem with the traffic flow on the new course. Roger recommended that we table the discussion and let the Course Committee of Chummy, Paul, Ray and Carlie deal with the issues.

**Work Day:** Paul noted we need to plan a workday. It was decided to schedule it for October 18th at 8:00am. Paul will have a list of projects to work on.

**Website Sponsorships:** John noted that in the past for big events, we have received advertisement sponsorships for the website. Roger said he would like to see the club do this again and in the past we solicited sponsorships with emails. John will contact Carlie to see if he would lead this project.

**Snow Guns:** Chummy said the 4 cross-country snow guns are insufficient and would like permission to sell them.

**Motion:** Charlie made a motion to give Chummy permission to sell those 4 snow guns. Herbie seconded the motion.

**Vote:** Motion passed.

**Trail Grooming:** Roger noted that people are critical of our course track setting conditions and we need to improve our track grooming. We could improve the conditions by getting track sleds on the groomer. Jim and Jeff are researching options for getting track sleds and outfitting our groomers with hydraulic track sleds. He estimated the cost to be \$6,400. Charlie wondered if this is a club expense or a shared expense with Black Mountain. Roger would like to see a proposal to bring to both the Chisholm Ski Club and Black Mountain Boards. Charlie said there is over \$3,000 in the Junior Nationals account and asked if we should use that money.

Motion: Paul made a motion to spend up to \$6,500 to get proper grooming and track setting equipment and form a committee with members from the Black Mountain Board to work on getting the grooming equipment needed.

Discussion: Charlie said we should wait until Black Mountain has their board meeting in October. Ray agreed and Bob noted we should change the motion that as a club, we support this project and will help Black Mountain with the funding. Paul removed his motion.

Motion: Roger made a motion that the club purchase the equipment and then approach Black Mountain Board to fund raise for this.

Discussion: We should allocate the money and purchase the track setters for this season and approach Black Mountain for support and fundraise to replace the money.

Motion: Seconded by Paul.

Discussion: Charlie asked Roger if Black Mountain would consider not taking their part of the head tax race fees for 1 year and allow the club to put that money toward the purchase of the grooming equipment.

Vote: 8 in favor, 2 opposed. Motion passed.

Discussion: Roger noted that the cost could be less. Chisholm Ski Club will front the money and then recoup the money through the head tax.

Youth Program: Paul asked if the club would be interested in supporting a youth program. Last year Fred Bailey was paid \$1,500 to go to the area elementary schools and Roger asked that we support Fred to do that program again this year. We have \$1,500 in the budget for coaching and \$500 from the marathon to put towards youth programs.

Black Mountain Report: Roger reported that season pass sales for Black Mountain are up. He also noted that Black Mountain is below budget on costs.

Motion: Roger made a motion to adjourn. Ray seconded the motion.

Vote: Meeting adjourned at 8:00pm.

Next meeting: Tuesday October 21, 2014 at Muriel's Kitchen.

Respectfully Submitted,

Terry Richard  
CSC Secretary

