

New York State Ski Racing Association - Nordic, Inc.
SPRING MEETING MINUTES
Glens Falls Country Club, May 6, 2018

President Eric Seyse called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM and welcomed those present.

Present were: Chris Frielinghaus, Ski Orienteering¹; Brian Halligan, HURT; Eric Hamilton, Shenendehowa Nordic¹; Greg Malia, Kingston; Tom Moffett, Saratoga Biathlon¹; Darwin Roosa, Vice President; Curt Schreiner, Mid Atlantic¹; Brian White, Peru Nordic¹; and Eric Seyse, Glenville Hills¹.

Minutes of the September 17, 2017 meeting were accepted as circulated on a motion by Darwin Roosa; second by Curt Schreiner; carried.

Treasurer's Report: A summary from Lee Mahood (attached) was read by Eric Seyse. Total net worth is \$24,144.58.

Executive Director's Report

Greg Mailia reported a 58% membership increase. Take out the the PA Wildcats and we still have a 35% increase. The total is 508 members this season. It was the consensus that the Newsletter is a good idea. It provides a value for membership and keeps the members informed and inspired. It also provides a opportunity for advertising and generating a limited amount of revenue from ads which was \$1,500 last season. Greg also posed the question: what can we do to make PA Wildcats and those in the western part of NY feel more a part of the organization.

Committee Reports

Nominating Committee - Eric Seyse said that due to personal reasons that Chris Rose decided he must from from vice president in the fall. At this time Brian White will be running for president, Darwin Roosa for vice president, and Amanda Zullo for second vice president and web coordinator. No candidates have stepped forward for high school liaison. Eric Hamilton noted that we need a financial secretary and apologized for not coming up with a revision to the by-laws that would allow for a second signer on the checking account. Eric Seyse appointed Eric Hamilton as the second signer and requested that he contact Lee Mahood to make the necessary arrangements.

Cross Country Ski - Eric Seyse asked for suggestions on how to effectively encourage high school coaches to have their team members participate in NYSSRA sanctioned races. Brian Halligan promised to send Eric a list of high school teams and their coaches. There was also discussion about fairness of the ranking system between new and experienced racers and early season results vs. late season.

We also discussed a roller ski series leading up to a New York Roller Ski Championship. Tom Moffett moved that all roller ski races be sanctioned, with a head tax of \$2 and a \$5 non-member one day license, second by Darwin Roosa, carried.

Web Site - Eric Seyse is trying to elevate any post to the web site so that it automatically posts to FaceBook. He will set up a Facebook plug-in for both sites.

As soon as arrangements can be made with Ed Luban so affiliate clubs will be listed as soon as their membership fees are received. As for NYSSRA Nordic sanctioned events, race organizers will complete their event sanctioning forms using Google forms and send their sanctioning fee check to Ed. When Ed receives the race event sanction Google form and sanction fee check, the event will get posted to the Google calendar.

For the 2018-19 season, the XC Points Series will be revised to designate the Red Group as the top 20 racers (a change from last season's top 30).

The Wilkinson Cup Series will be scored by a percent back.

Mid Atlantic Division - Curt Schreiner announced a meeting of the committee in the Utica area on June 2. He added that they had discussed the possibility of three Junior National qualifying

weekends tentatively in Rochester, Lake Placid or Gore, and at Old Forge. The Mid-A website needs revision including a new look.

Biathlon - Tom Moffett reported that they would be looking for a new committee chair who will be elected at their fall meeting.

Ski Orienteering - Chris Frielinghaus summarized that NYSSRA acts as a clearing house for calendaring Ski Orienteering competition. We sanction events and insure them through OUSA, similar to biathlon's relationship with USBA. He noted that Ski-O participants in New York State are not required to be NYSSRA Nordic members.

Insurance - Sean Halligan's report, presented by Brian Halligan, stated that the liability insurance premium for 2018-19 is expected to be approximately \$4,505 and is due July 1. Last year's premium was \$4,580. There is no snowmobile exclusion.

N Y State Charities Registration - Eric Hamilton recommended that we have a second person with access to the checking account and financial records. This position could be a financial secretary. He admitted that we are all aging and this standard operating procedure is even more important than ever for the long term continuity of the organization and its assets. Eric Seyse asked him to contact Lee Mahood about being a second name on the checking account.

New Business

Trip Policy - Eric Seyse suggested that we require a non refundable \$150 deposit on all trips. Once the cost of the trip is refined the balance would be due. Discussion followed. The idea was tabled until the fall meeting following a more detailed review.

Website - Curt Schreiner moved that we spend \$200 annually for our web site, Chris Freilinghaus second, carried.

High School Beat - The web site will be discontinued as Dave Kvam has stepped down. Brian Halligan's similar site (kickzone media) will be linked to the old HS beat site as a replacement.

Calendar - NYSSRA - Nordic Championships will be at McAuley Mountain, Old Forge.

Updated Organization Chart - Eric Seyse pointed out that David Parberg-Kvam had done an excellent job with the graphic organization chart. However the chart was difficult to navigate between the detail description and the larger picture. He offered an organizational outline with a four page linear presentation for discussion and requested that we finalize policy and procedures. Tom Moffett moved Brian Halligan second that a committee of Eric Seyse, Brian Halligan and Darwin Roosa review the material and report back at the fall meeting.

Race Bibs - Eric Seyse reported that we have 198 bibs: half are with Eric and half with Darwin Roosa. Curt Schreiner moved that we purchase bibs 201 through 300 and 4 sets of 1 through 15 relay bibs and blanks, Tom Moffett second, carried. Consensus was that they should have white bibs w/ black numbers for easy spotting.

Next Meeting tentatively set for Sunday, September 23, 2018.

Adjournment - Being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 3:00 PM on a motion by Chris Freilinghaus, second by Tom Moffett.

Respectfully Submitted,
Eric J. Hamilton
Secretary

Treasurers Report

		S2018	F2017	S2017
Balance		\$24,144.58	\$20,602.60	\$26,617.85
Brian McDonald Fund		\$297.00	\$297.00	
Biathlon fund		\$1,300.93	\$1,645.21	
Youth Development		\$1,555.65	\$1,855.55	
Mid A		\$8,256.02	\$5,143.00	
Eastern High School/U16		\$0.00	\$697.55	
BKYSL		\$1,014.41	\$1,514.41	
General Fund		\$11,720.57	\$9,367.55	