

2023 AWSA South Central Region

Membership/ Council Mid-Winter Meeting

Saturday, January 14, 2023

Agenda

1. Zoom sign in [Mark] Complete
2. Confirm quorum [Mark] Complete – approved

Meeting Jan	First Name	Last Name
x	Ann	Hamilton
x	Bruce	Butterfield
x	eric	baird
x	floyd	mccreight
x	jackson	driggs
x	Janet	Hooten
x	Jeran	Hooten
x	Jody	Hooten
x	John	Giordano
x	Jon	Penner
x	Julie	Krueger
x	Kathy	Ives
x	kelly	koehler
x	Kelvin	Kelm
x	Kristy	Krauss
x	Mark	Chambers
x	Mark	Cohen
x	Mark	Zimmerman
x	Michael	Arora
x	Robert	Howerton
x	Ron	Ives
x	Sam	Greenwood
x	Scott	Greenwood
x	Steve	Binkley
x	Lauren	Maalitz
x	Robert	Fulcher
x	Austin	Kolodejcak

3. Meeting called to order by Robert Howerton at 9:24 AM [Mark] Complete 8:46
4. Appointment of Parliamentarian
5. Seating of Councilors and Confirmation of Voting Roll
6. Agenda call for additions [Mark] Complete – nothing added
7. Review of July 2022 meeting minutes [Mark] Complete – accepted as on website 8:46
8. Treasurer’s Report- Kathy Ives

Kathy – online w bank, electronic deposits [Mark] Complete – approved

\$21178, Head tax deposits will be timelier, Paid for webcast, CC fees removed from sanctions, income issues – head tax 409.50 – ending balance – \$14,267.50 (corrected after disbursements at meeting)– sanction may not be approved until head tax paid. \$300 Seeding stipend returned to Kathy, allocated to JD.

9. EVP Report- Robert Howerton - [Mark] Complete – approved

- July – policies and procedures proposals – biggest was for regionals entry fees, \$140 single, 150 2 events, 160 3 events... Family of 3+ 400... head tax charges (motion considered in new business approved, see new P&P for corrections) and boat reimbursement has not affected ... fam of 5, add 10x3... Bruce – eliminate the additional

- Changes to officials counts and announcers

CHIEF JUDGE
ASST. CHIEF JUDGES
(5)
CHIEF DRIVER
ALL APPOINTED DRIVERS (4)
CHIEF SCORER
ALL APPOINTED SCORERS (4)
CHIEF TECHNICAL CONTROLLER
ASST. CHIEF TECHNICAL CONTROLLER
ASSIGNMENTS COORDINATOR
CHIEF SAFETY DIRECTOR
ASST. CHIEF SAFETY DIRECTOR
ANNOUNCERS (2)

- Optional requirements – request – not mandatory... fee can be modified based on inflation – no banquet tix provided.
- Site familiarization definition – revised.
- Push @ nat level – 0 based... everyone qualified @ level 5 w zero score? Standings being reviewed might see changes 2024. Formulas changes. Younger skiers who have never run a pass are qualified for nationals. This will help alleviate it. Possibility a 3rd event eliminated for overall for youths and older skiers
- Zero scores will not qualify for specific events and divisions...
- Towboat selection – do our best to align with nationals for towboat draw
- State championships must have 3 events.... OK, MS no state championships this yr.
- Officials rotation rules for regionals and nationals – 3 yr rotation rule – EVP/Board can make exceptions
- Regional guide eliminated – using website

- No competing tournaments - for state championships weekends – non compete remains in effect
- Head tax – no changes, but could be waived prior to winter meeting
- State championships – CASS wants to host it.

10. Committee Reports

A. Regional Tournament Committee – Ann Hamilton [Mark] Complete

- Regionals – Thu Fri Sat Jul 27-29
- Jrs Friday
- Sat – family reunion party – optional
- Backup site – smrr and may 15? decision date

B. Rules Committee – Danielle Dlugosh, See Written Committee Report

Summary (see rules submission for details):

- Prop 1: prevent peoples from complaints wo homework – disciplinary action possible
- Prop 2: online checkin for nats.... If use and verify complete – no check in onsite
- Prop 3: max speed 32 for M9
- Prop 4/12: nat qualify: dual citizenship – can ski @ nats
- Prop 5: clarification
- Prop 6: clarification on wording
- Prop 7: nat tourney officials – assigned judges aligned w USAWS, unless R, only seniors
- Prop 8: chief TC – appointed by LOC & evp approval
- Prop 9A: clarification – no effect w manual timing tolerances
- Prop 10: Alignment w IWWF
- Prop 11: reverse trick credit – eliminate the repeat – align w IWWF
- Prop 12: awsa registration – dual citizenship
- Prop 13: timing and video validations trick and slalom – IWWF alignment. Jump chief judges and TCs review
- Prop 14: changing dates when records are submitted – wi 7 days – report within 15 days – for nationals
- Prop 15: timing chart – IWWF alignment

C. Social Media -Julie Krueger

- Share links do not work
- Add Julie to website to provide updates
- Mark helped with possible solutions

D. Skiers Qualifications – Kelvin Kelm. Nothing to report

E. Judges and Scorers – Jane Greenwood, Robert Howerton

- Approved several emeritus officials

- 5 steps to approve – wants it to change
- Driver retirements
- Written tests updated
- Slalom – videos – challenge 1993 still lol

F. Jr Development – Lauren Malitz

- Lauren – proposed budget approved – done
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G. Boat Drivers – Scott Greenwood

- Approve retired and emeritus driver – butcher and ives
- Greg B replaced as nat chairman – Chris Eller
- Driver manual updated
- Will Bush – PanAm chair – working on PanAm manual – nominated 17 AWSA drivers, 1 Dominican Republic, 7 South Americans, 3 Canadian
- Sure path – true #s – may look at that on driver eval form / Testing details still being reviewed
- Worked w Robert – re chad scott.... Reached out to driver committee & legal department – how to retire him during absence.
- Feb 11 judges clinic
- Feb 18 – TC clinic
- Feb 19 Scorers / SP clinic

H. Towboat – Scott Greenwood

- Promo boats - \$50 / hr recommendation
- # of promo boats continue to decline
- LOC challenge

I. Seeding – Jon Penner

- All good, some were resubmitted to clarify divisions

J. Technical – Terry Dlugosh

- 3 Ais to board
- Skiers setting records
- Upgrades to senior TC – must be a reg judge
- Senior tc test – asked permission to use IWWF senior test
- FYI
- L/R Jump – must use SP
- Video gate program – free download -Chip Shand
- IP Cameras now part of Chip Shand program
- SP windows desktop view app – data xfer
- TC clinic Feb 18th
- TC / scorers Feb 19

K. Safety – Terry Dlugosh

- Rope releases in tricks hitting SP antenna on pylon
- Safety Clinics – requests – may do one in SMRR and College Station

L. International Activities Committee (IAC) - Sam Greenwood

- Intl athletes committee – select officials for intl events
- 2022 events world games, over 35 worlds, under 17 worlds – GOLD.
- Athlete survey – get feedback from athletes – driving intl events – make sure we have the best drivers / officials.
- Stepping stones program – goal was to ensure officials. drivers had adequate exp for intl events – us open, pan am, etc.
- IC athlete involvement – current athletes involved in officials selection
- Athletes concerns – encourage athletes to stay involved... make sure 3 event stays interested / involved. Gave a mid level skier in 2 events the 3rd event
- **2023 events**
- U21 worlds – June 19 – 25 MX
- Jr US Open June 24-25 Maize Ks
- Fall open worlds – oct 10-18 – Travers site
- Pam Am games – oct 20 – nov 5 santiago chile
- Over 35 pan am – TBD
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- Q: Top 20 qualify? Yes. Sam to provide clarification (posted on SCR website)

M. Executive (AWSA) Board – Robert Howerton, Bruce Butterfield, Kelly Dlugosh Jerry Bautsch

- Kelly – sending report
- Bruce:– continue collegiate program w \$500 incentive (SSR, Katy and Bent Tree, AP). Driggs – 32 skiers – 28 skied in a tournament... many at regionals and nationals. Helped grow sport. Proposed \$1000 for 4 clinics, rather than 500 per clinic. Events run net zero, only as sanctioned practice. Motion on floor to approve \$1000 w 2nd. Approvals Julie, jerry, bruce, Floyd, kevin, Robert, Kathy, cypress.
- Kelly: Show ski vote?
- International Committee – lack of access? Nate – 78% clubs are not promoting / accepting new members.

N. By-Laws – Lisa Holland

- Collegiate – Austin Kolodejczak - did not start skiing until TAMU. Most of the skiers are new to comp skiing.
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- [MARK] Ski league – MSC runs with a 1 time league fee. This builds commitment. No refunds policy, unspent funds were used to tshirts, ballcaps, cookout, club profits. Weekly fees meant one week 3 skiers, another week 15 skiers and not enough time. When USAWS offered the free sanctions, MSC sanctioned each ski league as a GR tournament to build judges, scorers and trained drivers.

- How do we increase income? Head Tax increase?

Other Items:

11. Policy and Procedures Changes

12. Nationals Update West Palm Beach, FL – webcast? Unsure. Juniors? Americas cup?

13. Officials for Regionals and Nationals.

- Ballot to be sent for officials – 2 more requests for being official. Danielle pulls her name due to schedule. Next Friday – ballots open 10 days - need scorers

14. Review and Approved the SCR Tournament schedule. Get the sanctions in Early! Apply and secure towboats Early!

- No conflicts – SCR schedule

15. Old/New Business

A. Regional Recommendations

- ID sites around the region willing to host. Rotating... even 1 lake sites. Need a default list of sites willing to host...
- Motion – how to expand regionals – send notice to all affiliated clubs –
- 2nd motion – sanction fee and head tax - \$4 head tax, sanction fee \$80 Frozen for 2 yrs.
- Regionals Head Tax - \$8 for 2022 APPROVED
- Next Meeting: Regional Tournament July 28th