

# Sovereign Lake NORDIC CLUB

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES August 19, 2010; 7:00 p.m.

**Location:** Summit Environmental Consultants Inc. Boardroom, Vernon BC  
**Present:** *Directors* – Pat Pearce (Chair), Hugh Hamilton (Secretary), Alex Lane, Chuck Austin (Treasurer), Gerry Breneman  
*Regrets:* Jeff Bassett, Bob Advent (Vice-Chair), Sharon Clarke, Therese Roberts  
*Staff* – Scott Lemon (Club Manager).

---

**Agenda.** Approved as submitted.

### Minutes of the Previous Meetings

- The draft minutes of the June 16, 2010 Meeting of the Board were reviewed.  
**Motion** (Gerry): *To accept the minutes of the May 19, 2010 Board Meeting.* **Carried.**

### Treasurer's Report (Chuck – submitted by e-mail)

- Chuck provided a financial report with information to July 2010.
- SLNC's financial position (net income) after 2009-2010 ski season was up compared to the previous season.
- The exchange rate with the Euro is posing challenges for the Masters World Cup (MWC). WE will ask for a fixed exchange rate. The governing body won't allow payment in Canadian dollars.
- The MWC Committee will be invited to the September Board meeting to review finances with the SLNC Board and to discuss ways to

### Club Manager's Report (Scott Lemon)

- Construction of the new trail is well underway. Will come in under budget because of volunteer labour and equipment donations, and because less blasting was needed than expected. Blasting needs to wait until fire hazard is less.
- The 2009-2010 dual-area pass agreement with Silver Star has been signed. It will be the same as in 2009-2010.
- HST will apply to our sales.
- Group discussed prices for seasons and day passes for 2009-2010, given the HST. Examples: Adult day pass will be \$16.50 (\$14.73 + \$0.44 HST); ten punch-pass will be \$160 (incl. HST; last year was \$145 plus GST). All prices will be posted on the web site.
- We will be buying new computers for the race building. Microsoft has donated 8 copies of Windows 7 and Office 7.
- Waiting to hear about lottery grant application. We have also applied for a Mountain Equipment Co-op grant.
- Most staff members are returning.

- Discussed idea of having a float in the winter carnival parade. Would consider it is a “champion” stepped forward to coordinate.

### **Committee Reports**

- Programs (Gerry)
  - Gerry presented a statement of philosophy for SLNC’s programs. One edit was suggested. It will read *“Sovereign Lake Nordic Club programs will further the development of a strong local and regional cross-country ski community by providing high-quality development programs, opportunities, and support for skiers and coaches in the spirit of inclusiveness, participation, and excellence.”*
  - As discussed in previous meeting, three (3) new positions will exist in 2010-2011 to help deliver programs – Jackrabbit Coordinator, Masters Coordinator, and Racing Team Manager. A Masters Facebook page will be created to facilitate training a social skiing opportunities.
  - Fall training schedules have been developed and are being distributed.
- Communications (Therese - away)
  - An e-mail newsletter will go to members in early September.
  - Discussed need for two newsletter formats (long and short). Consider harmonizing.
- Membership/Social (Alex)
  - Alex is looking to form a membership/social committee. Volunteers are welcome.
  - There will be two volunteer work parties in the fall. One on a Saturday and one on a Sunday.
- Competitions (Sharon away)
  - Reminders: SLNC will host Nor-Am races this fall again. Level 1 and Level 2 Officials courses will run this fall in Vernon.
- Policy (Pat)
  - There will be a special policy meeting on September 8 to update the policy manual. A final version for review and adoption at the regular Board meeting on September 22, 2010.

### **Master’s World Cup (MWC)**

- Discussion of the Euro exchange rate issue.
- Registration will open soon.
- Jeff has joined the fundraising team to link all SLNC fundraising.
- Silver Star hotels have 600 bookings for MWC.

### **Future Lodge Renovations (Pat)**

- We will ask a local architect for a quote to conduct initial assessment of the lodge and to negotiate with the Regional District regarding what would be required for a building permit.

**Adjourned** – 9:10 p.m. (approximate). Next meeting September 22, 2010.