

BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL MEETING NOTES

March 17, 2015 7:00 pm

Location: Wills Residence

 Present:
 Directors – Pat Pearce, Doug Geller, Sharon Clarke, Brian Wills, Jeff Curtis, Bruce Sandilands, Gerry Breneman, Sandra Ecclestone Staff –Troy Hudson Guest – none Regrets: Chuck Austin

Notes:

1) Notes from Previous Meeting

Approved as amended

2) By-Laws and Election

Membership reports are hard to obtain because the way SLNC uses zone4 makes extraction difficult. Improvements will be made so this is not a problem in the future.

Changing by-laws will require approval of 75% of members present at the AGM. Thus, abstention is a negative vote.

If the number of nominated directors is smaller than, or equal to the number of director positions, the directors will be acclaimed.

Motion: Nominations will not be accepted from the floor because it is disruptive and the club has invested considerable time disseminating the call for nominations and the deadline. **Approved.** Note that the proposed by-law changes will streamline and clarify the elections policy.

3) Dog Policy

After a one year trial, the interim policy appears to be working. No problems were reported this year.

Motion: Adopt the Dog Policy

Approved.

The Dog Policy should be added to the E-binder, and Troy H. to amend the Policy Manual. Thanks to the Dog Policy Committee.

4) Policies

The Board discussed forming a committee to provide recommendations on policies, whether a board member should be assigned to the committee, and whether periodic review of policies should be reinstated. The Board decided this was a matter for the incoming board.

5) Groomer Replacement Background Information – Brian W

Brian outlined the scope of his research on groomers, including purchase vs. lease, inclusive of maintenance. The existing grooming machines should be kept for at least one more season with budget planning to take place to fund replacements.

6) Financial Statements – Brian W

On evaluating our financial position and the reporting requirements, Brian W recommends that we have a "Notice to Reader Financial Statement".

7) Operational Update -- Troy H

Troy circulated an electronic report. The month of February was good for revenue, but March has been very quiet so far.

8) Treasurers Report – Sandra E

February statements are not available yet. At the upcoming AGM, we will have Annual Financials, and including a February 2015 update.

9) AGM Planning

The Board reviewed, modified and approved a Powerpoint presentation from the Board to the membership (prepared by Brian W).

The Board decided that the ballot box should be open for the duration of the meeting. The board reviewed and approved nominees for annual awards and lifetime service award.

10) Other Business

The Board discussed and approved a video of SLNC highlights, prepared by Liz Ariano.

Meeting adjourned at 9:55.

The next meeting is the Annual General Meeting, scheduled for 7 pm April 6, 2015 at the Schubert Centre.