



Waterski and Wakeboard Sask

Board Meeting Agenda

Apr. 8/2025 7:06 pm

Roll call – Ashley Baerg, Norm Lucas, Michelle Clunie, Chelsey Strilchuk, Danny Gray, Mike Napper, Mike Strilchuk, Troy Monz, Jerry Kristian – regrets Denise Wall

Approval of Consent Agenda and Exec. meeting minutes (attached) from Jan. 20/25

Motion and Voting – Michelle, seconded by Chelsey - carried

Old Business:

Wakeboard at the YXE Urban Games – Mike Napper – Games scheduled for July 16-18, plan for involvement is evolving, potential satellite site to the Games at the Cable Park. Mike is on the planning committee, will have update next meeting.

Membership – new online process – will be unveiled in the next week. Norm and Len will work on logistics of having people purchase memberships for AGM. Club registration is still on hold. Updates at next meeting. Michelle will follow up at a Nationals meeting this week regarding the unveiling of the new system.

Fundraising committee to support SaskFirst team – Christine Stumborg is the lead and will work with Wakeboarding, Denise Wall is working with Waterskiing, Len will work with new Adaptive Excellence director. There is now a National Sport Trust Fund that people can donate to that is targeted for the Excellence program so that there is the potential for a tax deductible receipt.

Courses for Coaching – Foundations date – Michelle is working with Adam Morris to set up a date in May. Norm is going to discuss the potential for Boat Drivers' certification for Thomas and Carter in Florida. All coaches need this certification in 2025, unless WSWC postpones this requirement, this will be updated next meeting. We still need to work toward having a boat drivers' LF in Saskatchewan. Len will send Michelle screenshots of Thomas Daigle's and Carter Lucas' NCCP qualifications. It's a process, and will take time and patience to get there. There is a course for Wakeboard Judging for Boat and Cable planned, Len will follow up with Kita regarding dates.

Nominations Committee for AGM – Norm so far Danny has let his name stand for VP Sport for All, Mike Strilchuk has let his name stand for VP Finance. Names are need for Director Wakeboard Excellence, Director Adaptive Excellence, and Sport for All Waterski. Let Norm know if you are interested or know someone who would be a candidate to let their name stand.

Governance – As per our Strategic Plan, the board has reviewed the Governance Model, and surveyed the membership regarding the potential for bylaw change and board size. There was limited response to the survey, and those that responded were satisfied with the current structure. No changes are recommended at this time. The new board can re-visit this as part of their due diligence annually.



Policies to discuss – Alcohol at Events and Legacy Recognition were provided. The goal will be for the new board to make a motion to include them in the 2025 policy manual. The other recommended update for the 2025 policy manual for the new board is to review the criteria and process of selection for SaskFirst for all 3 disciplines.

History Project update – Phase II progress about 60% of research has been collated, about 5% ready for the website. The website data will provide the basis for the final product, which will be to have the Guest Services building at the Cable park in Saskatoon as the Sask Towed Watersports Museum, with banners, posters, memorabilia, etc. on site for people to view when they visit. The grant was due Apr. 1st, will find out in May regarding the success of this stage, which is about a \$10000 ask.

Len Contract 2025 – no increase in salary, increase in stipends, mileage, increase in cell phone and data plan compensation – these stipend increases are built in to the History Project grant to cover the costs, no Sasksport annual funding will be affected.

New Business

VP Finance – Mike S. 2025 draft budget presented as a small deficit, making self-help such as the Excellence program fundraiser important. The budget is based on a focus to prepare for different levels and opportunities for self-help through fundraising and grants such as the CSJ, if they are all successful, we will have a healthy surplus from the draft presented. Norm and Danny met with Brad Redekopp, MP Saskatoon West at the Cable Park and SWSC to discuss the CSJ and its importance to our programming.

VP Excellence – Jerry – 2025 has several athletes already training in the US in Wakeboard and Waterski in Florida, and a Team Canada Adaptive training camp in Louisiana at the end of April. Ashley is unable to attend as she is going to Adaptive Curling National Championship when the camp is on. Good luck Ashley. Ryan Riehl's retirement is from competition, he still wants to be involved, so if there are any opportunities to include Ryan, we can connect with Adele (Ryan's mom) and discuss. Michelle is going to follow up on an idea regarding Westerns.

VP Sport for All – Danny - Travel Clinic Schedule – dates are almost all booked. There is opportunity with additional grants this year to have more opportunity in the north. We have been given approval to write a SPARK grant to increase opportunities for underrepresented athletes, will find out in May its success. We are almost at a point where there is more interest than there are days available.

Cable Park – programming is being set up for the summer, the site is already being prepared, Troy has donated his company's time to build a deck on the Guest Services building with the materials paid for from a City of Saskatoon Grant for \$10000. The Josh Dutchak Foundation has also committed some of their annual fundraising to supporting programming for underrepresented athletes at the Park, and will be committing funds over the next few seasons to support the future development of the site as well as equipment and programming. On June 21st there will be an event called the Ice Breaker tournament and the re-naming of the site to the Josh Dutchak Memorial Cable Park.



VP Coaching/Officials – Michelle has updated officials list for Michele Grant to transfer certifications to the IWWF platform. It is reversed, so a Level IV is now a Level I, so it will be important to review the new system to make sure no one is missed. Kita has planned a Wake board Judging clinic, Len will follow up with details. The Wakeboard discipline received a list of previous judging clinics through the WWA system, and was asked to check it and update it and it was sent to Kita, this will also need to be reviewed.

Other – Len

Membership Demographics – SaskSport Funding report sent in Apr. 1st. Our membership was up over 60 new people from 2024, mostly due to the Cable park.

AGM date change was due to requirement by Sasksport to have audited statements to members 21 days prior to AGM. We received the audit on Mar. 30th this year.

Motion to Adjourn Michelle/Ashley 8:18 p.m.