



Waterski and Wakeboard Sask

Executive Meeting Minutes

Jan20th/2025 8:14 pm

Roll call – Norm Lucas, Jerry Kristian, Mike Strilchuk, Michelle Clunie, Len Thomas

Regrets: Tammy Lucas, Danny Gray

Approval of Consent Agenda and board meeting minutes from Nov. 18/24

Moved by Jerry, seconded by Michelle. Carried

Old Business:

1.

- SaskFirst Team announced
- Policy for serving alcohol at events (Beer Gardens) – draft motion will be circulated for discussion at next board meeting
- History Project update – Michelle and Norm volunteered to proofread History documents – SaskSport Hall of Fame reviewed the research, and recommends that we adjust Phase II and III due to the quality of work completed in Phase I. They also recommend that since we have a “permanent” location to use for display (the Cable Park building), it could be the site for banners, business flags, posters and some memorabilia, and the Travel Clinic could have rotating displays that could be set up, and skip the trailer purchase for travelling exhibit in the original proposal from 2022. The banners, flags and memorabilia could easily be transported and set up at events as well. Len will re-do the Phase II proposal based on SaskSport recommendations and submit a new Phase III proposal to the SSHOF by Apr. 1st.
- A Legacy Recognition Policy has been developed and will be presented and discussed at the next board meeting.
- Grants update – CSJ/Adaptive/CDC – Len - Gold Eagle/Battleford Agency Tribal Chiefs not an option, must come from the community – Painted Hand Yorkton <https://paintedhandcdc.ca/how-to-apply> - case by case, applications accepted 4 times a year- Northern Lights PA - <https://www.nlcdd.ca/#apply> case by case, applications accepted 4 times a year-Living Sky – no online application but there is a city of Swift Current, not sure if they are part of the casino CDC <https://www.swiftcurrent.ca/divisions/community-services/living-sky-community-development-corporation-grant> – Bear Claw – no online application – Moosomin just outside of catchment area
- Westerns Waterski at SWSC – scheduled for June 25-27, goal of being a RC tournament, and useful for officials development, with provincials the same weekend. co-host with MB, provide for support for officials training
- 2025 – Wakeboard YXE Urban Games – To be discussed at next meeting. No Nationals bid this year. Cable Park events will be based on interest and ability to train judges
- Membership – WSConnect – this portal is being reviewed by WSWC, and may be changed to a different system.



New Business:

1. VP Finance – Mike S.
2025 draft budgets – There is increased need for focusing on self-help through fundraising and partnerships, as well as membership growth. Grants will continue to be important for external self-help to maintain programming, especially for Adaptive and the underrepresented portion of our budget. The association will need the Canada Summer Job grant, we applied for 5 positions in 2025, in order to maintain the past program opportunities for Waterski provincial coach and Travel Clinic, as well as adding the Cable Park jobs. Our 2024 budget was dramatically impacted by only have 2 positions covered by the CSJ, and if this continues, hard choices will have to be made regarding the programming. 2 budgets are prepared, one with support from the CSJ, one without support, and the board will have an opportunity to review each at the next meeting once the CSJ is announced.
Len has contacted the auditor for 2024 (Marcia Herback) and will work with Mike S. and Hillary to have the documents prepared and sent.
2. VP Excellence – Jerry
 - HP SaskFirst team meeting – Jan 27th – The powerpoint will be edited, Michelle and Norm have volunteered to proofread, and Norm, Mike, Jerry, and Michelle will assist in presentation.
 - Fundraising committee to support SaskFirst team – Christine Stumborg has agreed to lead the committee, Jerry will contact her this week to discuss the SaskFirst meeting presentation.
 - MOTION - Legacy Scholarship – Jerry Kristian moves that Carter Lucas receive the 2024 WSWScask Legacy Scholarship. Seconded by Mike S. Carried
3. VP Sport for All – Danny
 - Travel Clinic Schedule and Local Legends and Legacy – to be discussed next meeting
 - Cable Park – fees/clinics/opportunities/events/corporate membership – to be discussed next meeting
4. VP Coaching/Officials – Michelle
 - Courses for Coaching, Foundations - Michelle is working on a date for the delivery of the Foundations clinic for 2025.
 - BTS/Boat Drivers certification requirements and legacy opportunity, boat drivers' LF, Course for Wakeboard Judging for Boat and Cable are all waiting for direction from WSWC. Len has been in contact with Kita McRory
 - Officials update – Michelle sent Peter Person the updated list from WSWScask, and the website for Waterski officials updated – the goal is to build potential and capacity to host without needing the extensive out of province support
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5. Other



- Governance – the survey was sent out to all 349 members in September. There was once response. The board has done their due diligence to present the membership with the Governance review, and has the opportunity to make decisions based on best practice moving forward regarding the board structure. Currently, there are 12 positions with 2 tiers (Executive and Directors), the proposed change had a board of 7 Directors, and has a structure of committee work for certain responsibilities. This will be an agenda for the next full board meeting.
- MOTION - The AGM for 2025 will be Tues. Apr. 22nd 7 pm. Moved by Jerry, seconded by Mike. Carried. The board will receive the 2024 audit by Mar. 30th, review/sign audit, Len will send to membership 21 days prior in order to meet SaskSport regulations and requirements and ask SaskSport to extend our AGM date beyond the 90 days past year end in order to accommodate this change.
- Nominations Committee for AGM
 - positions up for election (5) - Exec. - VP of Finance (currently Mike S.)
 - VP of Sport for All (currently Danny)
 - Directors - 3 Event Waterski Sport for All (currently Denise)
 - Wakeboard High Performance (currently Mike N.)
 - Adaptive High Performance (currently vacant)
 - Tammy Lucas (Past president) will work with Norm to set up a Nominations Committee for the open positions. The goal will be to have someone nominated for each position before the AGM.
- Len Contract 2025 – Norm has discussed the current contract with Len, and Norm, Danny, Mike S. and Michelle will present the 2025 contract to Len by the next board meeting.

Motion to Adjourn – Michelle