

## **KACHEMAK NORDIC SKI CLUB BOARD MINUTES**

January 4, 2012

6:30 pm, Kachemak Bay Conservation Building

**PRESENT:** Dave Brann, Richard Burton, Mike Byerly, Alan Parks, Carlin Rauch, Nicky Szarzi, Kevin Walker

**ABSENT:** Jan Spurkland, Megan Spurkland

**GUESTS:** Kathy Sarns Irwin

### **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

*Dave moved to approve the agenda. Mike seconded. No objections. The agenda was approved.*

### **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE MEETING OF 12/07/2011**

*Kevin moved to approve the minutes. Dave seconded. No objections. The minutes were approved*

### **SPECIAL TOPIC**

#### **HOMER 100 KM**

Kathy presented a proposal for a 100 km fat tire / ski race for Homer. The race would also have a shorter route and would end at McNeil. She presented to board with an outline of the proposal prior to the meeting. Megan and Jan suggested making the fee \$150 and limiting the entrants to 50. Kathy proposes that the KNSC sponsor the race. It would be March 24. Micky Todd would groom the trail. Alan suggested that Kathy put together a steering committee. The board wants to be respectful of the Snomads and would like to have them ok the race since it would occur mostly on their trails. There was a lot of discussion regarding what needs to be done to pull it off and it be safe and successful. Should have a steering committee formed and have a fleshed out plan in two weeks and send to the board.

*Motion by Dave. Moved that the KNSC support the Homer 100 event*

*Kevin seconded.*

*Motion approved.*

### **TREASURES REPORT**

Richard presented the board with a budget report. We have about 36k to spend (doesn't include the revenue sharing money which should be > 10k) but we also have ~27k in expected expenses. Membership income is presently ~ 20k - there was 25k budgeted. That number should increase and get close to the budgeted amount. The Homer Foundation grants will come open in a month or so and Richard will put in for those.

### **EQUIPMENT REPORT**

Dave presented the board with an equipment report. One of the 2-strokes is down and is in Dave's yard. The other 2-stroke works mostly. Bill will pickup #5 from River and Sea. Repair cost will be ~ \$700. Bay Crest still has a McNeil machine. The new machine is broken in and Dave's trying to get it wired for grooming equipment. Dave did some research on purchasing another new machine. River and Sea has a new e-tech super wide track 600 that would cost ~11,800. They also had a Yamaha 4-stroke at \$9700. He checked with Mike Arno on the Artic Cat, Bear Cat. That machine would cost 11.8k. It's set up for grooming with the electrical and an extra radiator. The Skandic has 24" track the others are 20". Dave will organize an equipment meeting within a month.

There was a lot of discussion the pros and cons of purchasing a new machine now. It would take 3 weeks to break it in. Purchasing it would make the budget very tight and may put us in the red.

*Motion by Alan. The KNSC should make available \$12k for the purchase of a new machine.*

*Seconded by Mike*

*Motion approved.*

Richard will look at the budget closely and have more information for the board next meeting.

## **EVENTS**

### **BESH CUP**

Jan gave an update to Alan. Jan is still not sure where the sprint race will be but should know by Friday. Jan still needs to confirm the shelter issue.

### **FIRDAY NIGHT LIGHTS**

Dave said the event will happen Fri and Sat. Still need some volunteers.

### **SKI SWAP**

Alan will contact Mike Illg to check to see if it's still a go.

### **JR NORDIC**

Carlin and Kathy looked around for ski purchases. Homer Saw and Cycle had best prices. They can get about 25 to 26 pairs of skis for the \$2500. The idea would be to get the skis out to the community and not make it a fund raiser. Carlin was thinking they would charge ~ \$25 for one season's rental. There was further discussion on the fee but in the end the board left it for Carlin to decide. She will also decide on how to administer the ski program (e.g. distribute them, pick them up, rent them for longer than Jr. Nordic season, etc.). There will be a coaches meeting before the season.

### **WINE AND CHEESE**

Need a chair. The event will be at McNeil. Marilyn will get the wine and cheese again this year. Still need to confirm the stops. Bill and Judy Styr may be an option. Alan will get the liquor license.

## **COMMITTEE & AREA REPORTS**

### **BAY CREST/SUNSET**

Dave reported that the trails were in good shape. He also said there was a wolf sighting on College.

### **MCNEIL/EVELINE**

Nothing to report. The trails are being groomed and skiing is good.

### **LOOKOUT/ATI**

Mike gave an update on the ATI grant. There was supposed to be a meeting between the Homer Soil and Water Conservation District and the Snomads to discuss options for obtaining gravel from the Olson Mt. pit. The Snomads have run into problems with a trail easement on the Watermelon Trail and until they get that figured out they aren't interested in pursuing the gravel issue. That puts the Olson Mt. gravel issue back solely in the KNSC's lap. It was decided that Alan will call Senator Seaton to discuss the issue. Mike will relay the information from Alan to Kenton and Tara.

The LO trails are in good shape.

### **CONNECTOR TRAIL**

Nothing to report. Alan said they may start packing it out this weekend. They will find a new route for this year to address the private land issues. Alan and Kevin discussed possible routes.

## **FUNDRAISING & GRANTS**

### **MEMBERSHIP**

See budget above

### **FIREWOOD SALE**

The fund raiser will be ongoing. If anyone wants wood, they can call Molly to sign a waiver. It will be ongoing and will continue until it's all gone.

### **OLD/PENDING BUSINESS**

None

### **BYLAWS**

No discussion

**NEW BUSINESS**

None

**COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE**

None

**COMMENTS FROM THE BOD**

None

**MEETING END**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 pm.

Next regular meeting will be 2/1/2012 at the Kachemak Bay Conservation Building

**DOCUMENTS SUBMITTED**

Budget

Budget summary

Homer 100 proposal

Mike Byerly

Secretary