

**Minutes of the
KNSC Board of Directors meeting
January 19, 2015
Hancock Chalet**

Call to Order: 7:06 pm

Attendance: Jay Green, Mark Roberts, John Diebel, Wayne Stordahl, Pete Loubert, Adam Wellstead, Sandy Aronson.

Absent: Candi Silvola.

Changes/Additions to Agenda: Wayne reminded us that we need to discuss the Barnelopet.

Changes/Approval of Minutes of last meetings: Motion by Pete, second by Mark to approve as submitted; all in favor.

Treasurer's Report: written and verbal reports given by John. We've sold our first day, season individual and family passes via the web site. Motion by Mark, second by Pete to accept as submitted; all in favor.

Groomer's report: not present – grooming daily

Public Comment: none present

Business

Glide N Gorge - 2/27 – Candi provided a written report provided for Jay to report on in her absence. The chalet will be rockin' again, as Frann has some friends who can do the music. Posters and tickets are in the works and Candi needs help to getting them up, especially in Calumet. Jay asks all to email Candi to coordinate where you can post some. Candi will have DMG and TV6 do interviews – she'd love to have a volunteer who is looking for their 15 seconds of fame. *Email Candi at <cjsilvola@chartermi.net> or call 281-5294 if you can help with the GNG in any way.*

Barkell Elementary School Learn To Ski program – Wayne – Volunteers needed! But wait, first you gotta sign a background check form before the lessons start. Ski school begins on Monday 1/25, and continues for 4 weeks; class is held daily, 3 - 40 minute class periods, start at 12:45. Usually need 2-3 people to help get skis on/off; 2 or 3 to ski along with the kids. Wayne will need to know who's volunteering each day, so he can notify you in case of cancellation. *Email Wayne at <wr.emstordz@sbcglobal.net> or call 482-0292 if you can help.*

Moon/Fire – Due to low attendance the past 2 seasons, we'll skip it this season and revisit it next year. Sandy suggests hold only one, make a big promo, etc.

Retroski – Jay – plans to hold again, slightly different format. Watch the web page for details!

Barnelopet - Sunday Feb. 7th. Need volunteers from 12 – 3. Both indoor and outdoor jobs are available, and the good thing is that whatever job you pick, is a lot of fun. Make a kid's day! *Email or call Wayne if you can help.*

Heikinpaiva parade 1/30 10:30 AM – Arlyn will tow with the new Defender, pull probably an implement on the dolly. We'll proudly hoist our banners. Web page has info. Jay will put an invite out to march on k-trails list.

Luminary wrap up – collected \$140 in donations; expenses were \$75. Less attendance than previous 2 years, no thanks to winter's anemic start. Next year we'll promote the event early and hold it regardless of snow depth.

Fund raising committee & donations – Sandy reported that an actual committee is in the process of forming and getting off the ground; we'll keep you posted. Hand in hand with this, the board once again needs to draw up a 5 – 10 year "wish list". The visioning process will commence within the next week or so. Jay is willing to host a gathering any day the week of 1/25. Notification of the location, date and time for the meeting will be sent via email to the local skiing community.

Grants – Wayne brought forward the Portage Health Auxiliary grant. Time frame is 1/15 – 2/15/16. Wayne will contact the president of the auxiliary to discuss what sorts of projects they are most interested in so we can submit the most appropriate application.

New UTV – just received the BRP Defender in the last week, remains in break in phase. So far – awesome!

Communication in the field – since phoning/texting/emailing is of utmost importance to the groomers while out in the field (safety issue) and for coordinating (efficiency issue), after discussion, motion by Jay, second by Adam for KNSC to provide \$30 a month to each groomer during grooming season for an unlimited talk/text plus data cell phone plan; all in favor.

Australia loop – east side groomed; plan to re-open (re-route) the west side this coming summer.

Website, grooming reports – website recently significantly updated. Includes trail/grooming report, club blog. John is willing to post reports to k-trails, just need the groomer to email or text a report at some point during the grooming day. Arlyn will continue to keep our club blog updated with photos and more detailed reports.

Charge accounts – no problems and makes it much easier for the groomers to get the stuff they need to take care of the equipment and trails.

Snow bikes – Churning Rapids has a couple volunteer groomers on the snow bike trails. Jay would like to set up a meeting with their groomers, the exec. Director of CHTC, and Arlyn; Jay; John and Sandy will attend also. Jay will notify attendees via email.

Bylaws – Mark – as a fun walk down memory lane, Mark has sifted through KNSC's archived documents and is working up an updated version of the Bylaws. Sandy found some documents also; Mark will look through them to see if any further info is found. Notice of the proposed bylaw changes will be emailed to the membership for review, and at the annual meeting in April, the updated document will be presented and voted on.

Visioning – Sandy – see above.

Other - none

Tabled business: CR Cabin, What club??, club growth , Grant writing: Smartwool, CF-UP, Cliff Bar, wood/fire sled & boggan sled, trail counters, Retro and moon/fire changes

Meeting adjourned at 8:40

Next meeting 2/16/16, 7 PM

Submitted by Sandy Aronson, KNSC secretary