**Golden Nordic Ski Club Society  
Board Meeting Minutes  
February 22, 2023  
Dawn Mountain Chalet, Golden BC**

**Board Members:  
Present:** Annette Boelman, Phil Carson, Jim Doyle, Jeff Dolinsky, Ian Robinson, Annette Luttermann, Derrick Murphy  
**Absent:** Julie Caldwell, Adam Oster

**Others Present**, Sanne Van der Ros, Kirsty Panneton   
**Quorum Achieved:** YES  
Agenda:

1. Approval of Agenda
2. Approval of Minutes of previous meeting
3. Business arising
   1. Loppet wrap up
   2. Golf course map, washrooms, signage
   3. Gear order for 2023/24 -12 skis/5 boots
4. Treasurer’s Report – Derrick/Kirsty
   1. Surplus decisions
5. Committee Reports
   1. Grooming -Jeff/Erwin
      1. OK alone app is not working.
      2. IPad is not working properly.
   2. Programs – Sanne
      1. Seth -T2T / race team update
   3. General manager update – Sanne
      1. Facebook issue -next steps
      2. RV/large vehicle warning
      3. Old furniture
      4. Special event March 4 and 11th
   4. Chalet – Jim
   5. Safety and Grants- Phil
   6. Trails – Ian
6. New Business
   1. Charging station sign about revenue share etc.
   2. Fire pit?
   3. Tourism Golden
7. Other Business

8.Adjournment -set date for next meeting.

**6:25pm Phil called the meeting to order.**

**1. Approval of Agenda:** Jeff moved, seconded by Jim, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

**2. Approval of Minutes:** Jeff moved, seconded by Phil to approve the minutes of the January 18th, 2023, meeting. Motion Carried.

**3. Business Arising:**

**a) Loppet wrap up –** Jeff reports that the Loppet was a great success with its’ challenges. There were new people in roles who had never seen a Loppet before! We had a new caterer. 180 participants were the total for both days. Joan Dolinsky did an enormous amount of work. Dona Gylander did amazing gathering door prizes and sponsorships. Seth Conlin did in kind donation with his drone technology. We need to do a final thank you for the sponsors – on Golden Community Facebook, newsletter, etc. One request was to tweak the Bunny race of 1km to an easier loop. Maybe a 500m race would suffice!

***Action: Sanne will create a poster to say thank you to the sponsors of the Loppet.***

**b) Golf Course –** Annette L. reports that the Golf Course team inquired and there are in fact washrooms at the Campground. The Map upgrade has not been done yet. Once that is done we can make up a new sign with the map and the GNSC logo etc.

***Action: Sanne will ask Seth if he is interested in mapping out the Golf Course and how much this would cost?***

***Action: Annette B. will update the website in regards to washrooms and that there is no skate skiing, classic only.***

**c) Gear Order –** Annette B. reports that 12 pairs of skis and 5 pairs of boots have been ordered for next season for the rental shop. Delivery should be October 2023. We just need to add this into next years budget. We have a whole bunch of boots to sell “by donation”.

4. **Treasurers Report**: Derrick reports he finally has access to CVCU. We have around $158,000 in our chequing account and right now we are potentially looking at a $58,000 surplus potential. $30,000 will need to be set aside for amortization.

Derrick brought up the concern that we are charging too much for snowshoeing day passes and rentals. Other clubs charge less but offer way more trails. For 2023/24 we should look at lowering these prices to $8.50 GST included for a Snowshoe Trail Pass. Sanne brought up the point that we have had a lot of snowshoes break/wear out this season and will need to budget for replacement gear.

***Action: All board members to bring ideas to the next meeting to prioritize our capital expenditure plans and how to spend the potential surplus.***

***Action: Sanne will research new snowshoe equipment and what will be best to purchase for the Rental Shop.***

**5. Committee Reports:**

**a) Grooming:** Jeff reports that Erwin is training Bill on the BR275 and Jean is training on the Prinoth. We still could use a couple of other groomers on the roster. Ben Blaine is interested in training. And Phil has a potential candidate. Next season we should look at increasing Erwin’s wage for grooming. Discussion followed on opportunities for the grooming team to learn from an expert and how people are vetted to join the grooming team.

i) OK alone app not working – Phil was working on reloading the app. It was having some technical difficulty. We pay $45/month for this service.

ii) Ipad not working- The old ipad is bad to use!

***Action: Kirsty will buy a new one for the Grooming Team!***

**b) Programs:** Sanne reports that Lady Grey full day programs are now complete. Invoice has been sent (copy Kirsty on the email). The French school is coming 4x’s and GSS 3x’s and Nicholson School is also on the schedule for ½ days! There are enough instructors too, to cover all the classes! Youth Programs are almost coming to an end already. The club has not been able to find an instructor for all the private lesson requests. But overall, it has been good! Yoga is now Sundays at 5-6pm. It has been well attended.

Annette B. reports quickly that the coaches for the Nordic Racers have not spent all the expected money on the races due to lack of interest. Only one athlete went to Rossland and to Nelson. They just went on their own. The last Race that will be supported will be the Lake Louise Loppet on March 5th.

**c)General Manager Update:** Sanne reports that she has hired the staff she needs. Barb is 4 days / week from Friday to Monday, Mark works Tuesday, and Aiden - Wednesday, and Thursday. There is still a need to train a back up person in case of illness or other issues that may come up. Kirsty is now available for back up from Thurs. to Sunday if needed.

**Motion: Jeff moves, 2nd by Ian that one more person is trained up to fill in at the Chalet if needed. Motion Carried.**

***Action: Sanne will ask Joan Dolinsky.***

Sanne also reports that there was an issue on Facebook with 3 different fake accounts make false accusations about the GNSC. One action that Sanne has already taken was to put a sentence on the Youth Program webpage stating that all volunteer coaches and instructors working with minors must have a criminal record check done. Discussion followed and it was decided that in the next newsletter that Sanne writes a “did you know” paragraph about how all coaches have criminal record checks done. And then post this newsletter on the GNSC group site.

There was an issue with an RV (quite large) parked in the parking lot. It was a one off and we do not wish more signage. If Chalet staff see this again then ask the owners of the RV to park elsewhere.

Old furniture still on back deck – ***Action: Jeff and Jim will have a look and see what should go to the dump and what could stay.***

Special Events – Sanne is planning two wonderful events with the help of a volunteer. One will be a Glow event on March 4th from 7-9pm with lights and campfire etc. Then on March 11th she is putting together a Story Telling evening (postponed March 4th). Stay tuned for more information.

**d) Chalet:** Jim reports all is good. He would like to build shelves in the back room of the equipment room to clean things up in there a bit more. He would also like to build a sled to use to drag things to the Owl’s roost etc. Sanne asks him to look at the power outlet that is outside by the wax bench. It is not working right now.

**e) Safety/Grants:** Phil has nothing to report on safety (that’s a great thing!). On the grant side we were not successful in receiving a Tourism infrastructure grant for the rental shop expansion.

**f) Trails** – Ian has nothing to report

**6. New Business:**

**a) charging station –** there was a request to have signage that the GNSC benefits from the revenue of the EV charging station.

***Action: Sanne will ask Julie about this.***

**b) Fire pit? –** it is under the stairs/deck of the upper suite

**c) Tourism Golden** – we’ve had a request from Tourism Golden to help a photographer to get photos and video of Dawn Mountain Nordic.

***Action: Sanne and Annette B. will work together on this.***

**7. Other Business: none**

**8. Adjournment: At 8:00pm Phil moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Annette L. Motion Carried.**

**NEXT MEETING:**

**Board Meetings: Mark your calendars!**

**March 23rd**

**April 20th**

**May 25th**

**6:15pm**

**Location: Dawn Mountain**