

MINUTES for OISRA Nordic Division Steering Committee 2018 Spring Meeting
Eric and Laurie's home
1821 NW Glassow
Bend, Oregon
October 7, 2018

Present:

Eric Martin – Nordic Director
Gene Hyde – Nordic Commissioner
Kelly Crowther – Northern League Rep
Sarah Swaney – Southern League Rep
JD Downing – Summit Assistant Coach
Jinny Martin – Nordic Division Secretary

Not Present:

Pete Reinhardt – Nordic Assistant Director

Eric Martin called meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

1. PRELIMINARIES

Spring Meeting Minutes: June 17, 2018

MOTION: Gene H. moves to accept Spring Meeting Minutes (June 17, 2018). Kelly C. seconds.

VOTE: Unanimous approval

Treasurer's Report

MOTION: Sarah S. moves to accept treasurer's report. Gene H. seconds.

VOTE: Unanimous approval.

Discussion: Sponsorship money from OISRA Partner Sponsors (Point S and OSU-Cascades) will be distributed on a per-participant basis. An additional \$10,000 (beyond the \$5,000 Partner Sponsorship from Point S) has been donated by Point S, but the OISRA Finance Committee has not yet determined how to distribute the additional Point S money.

2. OLD BUSINESS

2018-19 Race Schedules : Reviewed the schedules that were determined in the Spring. Only change is that the Hoodoo night race will not take place on a Thursday night. Will need to select another night that week.

XC Oregon Invitational: Three relay teams per school are allowed.

Video: New rules for reporting abuse: This video did not get made – not enough time and energy.

The steering committee acknowledges that there may be a lot of questions in this area – and the best we can do at this time is to develop a flow chart that might help people decide what they are supposed to do for reporting abuse.

FERPA form: Jinny M. is getting questions from coaches about the FERPA forms. Solution is to send out another information bulletin to the coaches and team parents that lists questions she has been getting and the answers she's been sending out.

- Most common question is "Why do we have to deal with PAPER forms?" Answer – it is a federal regulation that goes along with a federal law.
- Next, "Can I collect these forms in one bundle and take that bundle to the school? Answer – Yes, that will be the most efficient way to handle this process for the schools and teams.

Bibs:

- Discussed options for bibs
 - amount to ask for sponsorship (\$5,000) not determined only by the cost of bibs
 - designs (including logos of several sponsors)
 - timing of purchasing bibs (this season or next)
 - option of major sponsor paying over the course of 3 years vs full payment made in one year
- Decided that Gene Hyde will contact Pete and fill him in on the strategies discussed at this meeting
- Determined that, if the Lithia sponsorship does not pan out, a sponsorship committee (JD Downing, Gene Hyde, and Pete Reinhardt) will work on a more long-term strategy (package) in the Spring for financing the bibs.

2. NEW BUSINESS

Start-up Grant for LaPine

MOTION: Gene H. moves to approve a “start-up” grant for LaPine High School of up to \$500 for team-related expenses. Sarah S. seconds.

VOTE: unanimous approval.

Recruit new charter schools in Bend

Eric M. reported that Jinny M. has approached the two new charter high schools in Bend to extend the invitation for their students to participate in high school Nordic skiing by training with the Mt. View team.

Preparation for Fourth High School in Bend

Committee discussed the importance of being prepared to fully support a Nordic team at the fourth high school as soon as the school opens its doors. Things to be prepared to provide: a coach, funding for basic supplies, such as wax irons, waxes, equipment rentals, money for trail fees. Will probably need more than the \$500 “start-up grant” – and may need funding assistance for more than one year.

Sisters ski team supplies donated to LaPine

Because Kelly Crowther has found no replacement coach for Sisters High School, he wants to donate all the ski equipment and ski supplies the Sisters team owned to the LaPine team. Kelly C. will contact Zach W. and transfer the supplies.

Question raised about gathering information for Student-Athlete pins

Because the FERPA Consent Form specifically addresses only “student academic eligibility requests,” Sarah S. asked the question about if or how the team parent or coach could get the information needed to award the student-athlete pins. Jinny M. will ask the schools some questions and see what kind of answers she gets.

Meeting ended at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by
Jinny Martin
Nordic Division Secretary
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