



Waterski and Wakeboard Sask

Board Meeting

June 9/24 8:03 pm – online

Roll Call – Michelle, Ashley, Mike S, Chelsea S., Jerry K., Norm L., Danny G.
Regrets – Troy, Denise, Mike N., Tammy L.

Approval of Agenda – Michelle motion to approve. Second Jerry
Approval of Executive Meeting Minutes May 1st - Michelle motion to approve. Second Jerry

Old Business:

1. YXE Urban Games and Wakeboard Nationals update – Len – Next meeting with YXE on Thurs June 13. Len will attend. Registration site is complete, waiting to go online. YXE Urban games site ready to go live. This event combined with Nationals will bring spectators to our event, also we can set up in the Vendor tent to advertise all our programs. Our participation has some residual benefits, not as first discussed by YXE, but it will be a fun event to be part of. Hilton Garden Inn is host hotel, working with Kita from WSWC to finalize judging. Len will ask for the \$10000 this week from Wake Canada as host.
2. Club fees, MAP grant and Insurance updates – MAP grants are in except for SWSC, club fees done, insurance with NSO is increasing and will continue to increase over the next 2 years. Len will work with Mike to work on modeling for the future on how this will impact our rates.
3. SaskFirst Fundraiser/SWAG order 2024 – The fundraiser was a huge success, thanks Chelsea and Christine Stumborg for helping with this. Over \$5000 raised. Len will order SWAG this week, hats, tees, floating wristbands.
4. Cable Park update – Building delivered next week. The community has really gotten behind this project, with many donors over the \$10000 mark with gift in kind and support. Thanks to the committee for their amazing work, Danny, Troy, Mike N., Mike Leiffers., Richard Clunie, and Kevin Johnston. There are too many contributions to mention at this time, with some like the building, the siding, the deck, etc. and the machinery to get it in place being very significant in dollar amounts if we had to purchase it. The committee will work on ways to properly acknowledge the companies and people that have made this dream from many years ago into a reality.
5. SaskSport Funding Review meeting May 3rd – The review was great and very intensive, over 3 hours long. We received very positive comments from SaskSport, and are in a good position moving into the next few years. We did have a followup letter to explain how we will insure that we rebuild our liquidity, as the purchase and development of the Cable Park and the Adaptive Dock has increased our Capital Assets, while reducing the percentage of our cash assets to less than 100%, and this triggers a warning from SaskSport. This was explained by detailing our ability to generate revenue through the Travel Clinic, the Cable Park, and the donations through the Capital Equipment Trust Fund.



6. Phase II History Project – update – We are well underway, the team of Sidney and Michaela as Research Assistants have begun the interviews and data collection, and will continue over the summer. Project lead Kelsey created the google docs and tracking sheets and will be reviewing and cataloging the collected work and direct the team regarding the steps over the summer and into the fall when it switches to archival work and retrieval.

New Business

1. Capital Equipment Transfer amount request for Cable Park – Mike S. motions that we request the National Sport Trust Fund to transfer the amount in our Cable Park Equipment Fund. Seconded by Danny – no discussion. Carried.
2. Budget – Mike S. – Mike highlighted the major aspects on our 2024 budget, such as the lower amount from 2023, as we received an additional \$17500 from SaskSport last year as a bonus from the Lotteries. (people bought so many tickets during COVID, there was extra money in the Trust to distribute). We have the fundraising amount that provides additional self-help this year, and the opportunity to use additional self-help to pay our loan commitments. The boat was paid off in April, we were paying \$15000 a year for this loan, this is also the amount of our Cable Park loan, so this will be a re-assigned expense.
3. Season Update – Excellence – team fees/fundraiser/events – Jerry. The season plans are in place and many waterski athletes have been training to qualify for international opportunities. Provincials are set, SWSC Aug 24th for Waterski, Kip Aug 10th for Wakeboard. There are some outstanding team fees, Chelsea and Mike N. will follow up with the athletes to complete this. All our events are on our website, under Programs/SaskFirst
4. Season Update– Sport for All - Travel Clinic /Cable Park– Danny/Len - The Travel Clinic is full, with new locations added this year. Total of 35 dates, beginning June 15th, ending Aug. 9th. The boat is in good shape, the equipment is new, and the coaches are hired and trained. The Cable Park grand opening is June 22nd, the website is up, registration for riding begin June 16th. Everyone is welcome to attend the Grand Opening. Len has a grant of \$1500 from Dakota Dunes to cater the food at the event.
5. Season Update – Coaching/Officiating – courses/opportunities – Michelle – 9 people took the Foundations course, delivered by Hunter Hollerbaum and Adam Morris. Len and Michelle have started a coach tracking sheet, which was shared with Kita at the NSO. This will help plan for the future and assist the coaches through the process for complete certification and for upgrading their credentials. Michelle is working with the Officials list, which is quite outdated, and will be focusing on getting the ROE's out for our volunteers to continue to develop our resources. Michelle has explained the simplicity of the American system, and a frustration with our Canadian system regarding communication and getting the officiating list updated. Norm will reach out to the NSO and ask for assistance. Michelle proposed the opportunity to speak to the athletes online and at provincials about the coaching pathway and officiating opportunities, this will be discussed at a future date.



6. Adaptive Give it a Go/Excellence – Ashley – Orientation night on June 12th for new participants. 2 Give it a Go dates planned, June 23rd and July 6th. Development opportunities for athletes to progress beyond grassroots introduction are planned for July 17th and Aug 7th.
7. Grants update – Len – Canada Summer Job Grant only provided 2 jobs this year, instead of the usual 3, this has had a significant impact on our budget and self-help. This will require some readjustment in allocation of programming funding and highlights the importance of opportunities to create revenue generation for ourselves.
8. Membership fees update/Insurance moving forward 2025 and beyond. Len will work with Mike on the proposed increases for the next 3 years. This will impact our membership rates as well as school and club fees. It will be important to communicate the increases and rationale to our membership this year so that there is no sticker shock to deal with, as membership is another important self-help revenue for us and for our SaskSport funding, as more members and more clubs can result in additional funding from the Trust.
9. Membership Survey – Governance Review – As mentioned during the AGM, this year will be a chance to survey our members about our Governance Model, and the best practices that are being used by other branches as we work toward the future to provide the best service we can for our members. Len will coordinate this survey, and will present the survey to the executive at the next meeting.
10. Sask Records compilation – committee may be formed to help with this task. There are currently no records database for us to access, Norm has initiated the process of retrieval, and the board is asked to assist with providing names of members past and present who may have archival data to assist.
11. Resignation – Gord Barnes – the executive has the opportunity to appoint someone to the position of Director Adaptive Excellence for one year. This will be discussed at the next executive meeting. It was highlighted that the position is important for the board and the executive will work toward filling it.
12. Other

Adjournment – 9:24 pm

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