

Snowbowl Ski Patrol General Meeting Minutes

Date: December 11, 2018 Meeting Start 7 PM

Attendees: Christine Lustik, Joe Lustik, Cheri Thompson, Steve Thompson, Marea Kuhl, Neil Marjerrison, Ty Whalen, Tyler Kulla, Tom Kerr, Jordan Rice, Stan Sneath, James Gardner, Karl Uhlig, Art Wear (Terry), Jackson Yeats, Penny Bucher, Bill Bucher, Bob Rinfret, Dennis Hardwick, Frank Scariano, Will Holm, Bruce Amrine, Jeannette Amrine

Location: St. Pats

Typed up: 12/11/2018 by Christine Lustik, Secretary Called to order: 7:00 pm

Mountain Update (from Art!)

- Open Frid – Sun this weekend and wed next week starts every day except Christmas. Snow would be nice. Making snow. Opened Outhouse.

Lost and Found

- Still have an oec book. Still missing a bucket from the sos fair with hooks for booths.
- Priscilla is missing her patrol outfit – rust shell and hat, ski pants, boots in a box with Priscilla the patrollers outfit on it.

Patrol Organization:

- Joe was asked to create an *org chart*. He passed around the first version of the org chart and invited people to add to it.
- *Emergency Contact List* also going around one last time. Voluntary, but if willing fill it out please do. Will save as pdf and email it out.
- Joe updated *Google calendar* invites. He keeps it up-to-date, so if anyone is having trouble accessing it, and would like to, let him know.

Secretary

- For Paul (Treasurer), since he's out of town, Christine is collecting all **reimbursement forms**.
- **Scheduling:** Scheduling for the second half is open. An email with the link will go out tomorrow. There's been some confusion about scheduling and what's expected. Christine reminded everyone: To be a member of NSP, the National Ski Patrol you must be a member in good standing of an active ski patrol and pay your dues. What does that mean for Snowbowl? As a member of Snowbowl, we pay your dues when you are a member in good standing.
 - You are scheduled 8-12 days per year. It varies depending on the size of our patrol and what's needed. And you split those days fairly evenly between the first and second half of the season. It apparently needs to be stated. When we request that you put in your schedule for the first half and then the second half, we are giving you a chance to let us know what days do not work or do work for you. But if you do not submit your schedule you will still be scheduled, unless you've had a conversation with the e-board about not patrolling and what that means for you. It may mean paying your dues, etc.
 - You understand and follow the patrol expectations as outlined out in the document created by Anthony years ago, posted on the website and sent out with the first half schedule.

- You maintain OEC and CPR certification.
- It used to be required as a member of ski patrol to participate in SOS, and previous e-boards decided to not make it required, but it is a strongly encouraged event since it is a main fundraiser for our organization.
- **Social Media:** Christine is working on finishing up some basic social media guidelines for the patrol. If anyone is interested in helping out by posting on Facebook or creating a twitter or Instagram account, we are ready to disperse that work if others are interested. We'll have a social media meeting of just those interested to answer all questions, make sure everyone has access, and to go over the guidelines. Let Christine know at the meeting tonight or by email this week, so information can be shared with you.

Training Opportunities

- *350 toboggan clinic* – filling up nicely. ½ the places taken. If complete class patrol will credit back 50%. Questions? Karl, there may be more toboggans from Cascade. Not for sure. Saturday, Jan 26th
- *Avi 1* class occurring, that Matt is teaching just for Snowbowl. It's already full. There is an *Avi 2* class in the schedule Norther Div, Lost Trail, Feb 28 - March 3. Still working out more details, pricing, lodging, Bob asked if it was the pro version, but NSP hasn't transferred thru and there's one (not a rec and pro course).
- Steve will be leading and *IDC (Instructor Development) course*. If you want to go into teaching any of the programs you have to take the IDC. Steve, it's a one time only course. Contact Steve if you are interested.
- *Winter tip off* – Helena Jan 11-13, register in Polaris. Encouraged to go. Bruce brought up if people go to winter tip off – will the patrol off-set some expenses. That will need to be put on the next eboard agenda.

New OEC Class

- New class is starting this Thursday, 12/13/2018 – 16 incoming candidates with 3 juniors. We are talking about growing a more organized junior patrol, with Neil heading that up. Karl let us know there is a young adult patroller program (YAP) advisor. Vicki, lives in Stevensville. Contact her as a resource.
- There are also 4-6 transfer candidates. Since Paul (the transfer czar) isn't here, encouraged everyone to support the transfers.

OET Update

- Stan is current OET advisor on the hill. He'll be working with the new class. Also, Karl and Stan talked about process of refreshing patrollers each year. Used to go out early in the am with sleds to check people off. The last couple years it's been if you've run a real call with a toboggan you are counted. But, everyone is supposed to refresh every year and that may not be enough and everyone may not do a call. We are going to make an effort to run some refreshers in the mornings. He's set up a course number under toboggan refresher – it's free, please sign up.

Course info to sign up: Member Resources/Course Schedule Course Title: Toboggan Refresher Course Number: N029180008 Instructor: Stan Sneath

- Bruce A confirmed everyone is required to be signed off every year. As an OET advisor you can sign people off if they've run accidents, but everyone who is an alpine has to run a toboggan. Qualified to observe, anyone as a current OET instructor, this includes: Karl, Stan, Josh, Jack, and Bruce A.
- Noted that new binders need candidate check off lists. We'll put a sign off sheet in the general patrol binders. Take some initiative. If see an instructor grab them and go do it.

Old Business

- **Jim Anderson Family Donation:** Last month the people at the meeting voted to support, but we did not have a quorum, Joe did an additional email ballot which passed quorum. Joe is letting everyone know that is a go for Jim Anderson's donation.

Bruce brought up that he sent a yes vote in but has a question. He wanted to know why we didn't donate to Northern Division and didn't bring a donation for the silent auction, which he thinks we should have done one or the other. Joe acknowledged that he was remiss in that. He had forgotten that was the normal procedure. So when he'd gotten a reminder the day before the Northern Division, he'd brought a personal item of an unused backcountry backpack for the auction, but had forgotten that the patrol as a whole was supposed to bring something. Bruce wants to make sure going forward we cover our bases. Joe agrees. Bruce feels like it's Snowbowl ski patrol not SOS or license plate money, he appreciates us doing donations. Neil, clarified that the eboard talked about it at length, whether to make a donation to Northern Div and/or the Anderson fund and they put it out to the patrol. The patrol voted to donate \$1,000 to the fund and nothing was decided for next year. With our funds declining it's generally viewed that each year's donation abilities will be taken year by year.

- Bill – quick correction on the **radio guidelines**. Radios should turn on to Snowbowl tone frequency. If going to talk to air ambulance go to tan frequency (ground to air), not white that is ground to ground. Updated will be posted. Neon general aid channel for training toboggan purposes, etc., so we aren't cluttering a channel.

New Business

- Karl – If anybody is planning to go to winter tip off and needs a roommate he has someone that needs a roommate.
- **Life flight rescue membership** Joe got his renewal and reminded people that while there were lots of rumors about this not continuing it is still there.
 - Ty confirmed that renewals can renew as is, but one can no longer purchase individual memberships in Montana, but if you do a group of 10 or more through a group then the memberships can still be purchased at the very discounted rate. It was reiterated by many this is a great deal. Anybody interested in joining as a group contact Ty Whalen and he'll help organize it!
 - Jordan – Now have a **recruiting coordinator** and he welcomes any ideas or contributions. Go to him with all things recruiting.

Adjourned Marea, seconded Jordan. 7:58 pm

General Meeting Agenda

12/11/18 7:00 PM St Pat's Hospital (Duran Learning Center)

1. Mountain Update - ART
2. Lost & Found (bucket, OEC book)
3. Treasurer Report and license plate revenue – PAUL
4. Gear Reimbursement - \$100, submit NOW
5. Organization Chart – being emailed to all of you and posted on the website.
6. ICE list – being emailed as PDF so you may save it to your phone.
7. Updated shared Google Calendar members list - website
8. 350 Clinic – 1/26; \$49 fee; capped at 20 with 5 toboggans (50% reimbursed) – REGISTER NOW via Polaris form
 - a. Jeannette – how many checks received?
9. Scheduling – Second Half: CHRISTINE
10. Facebook update: CHRISTINE
11. Social Media Guidelines: CHRISTINE
12. Recruiting update – first class on Thursday, 12/13.
13. OET Refresher – STAN – mandatory for the entire patrol. Register for the class.
14. Avy Classes - MATT
15. IDC – Instructor Development Course to be led by Steve Thompson.
16. WTO Registration in Polaris: Great Divide 1/11-13
17. Life Flight membership – patrol discount
18. OLD Business
 - . Jim Anderson \$1000 donation passed with email voting. Donation being made via GoFundMe.
 - a. Distribute parkas
19. NEW Business
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