

# North Carolina Water Ski Association

2017 Winter General Membership Meeting

November 11, 2017

Coble Ski School, Lillington, NC

## Agenda

### I. Call to Order

A. Attendance Sheet

Johnny Thomas

### II. Presentation of Minutes

A. Winter Meeting

B. Summer Meeting

John Young

### III. Treasurer's Report

A. Read through Treasury summary and some detail expenses

B. indicated that the President/Treasurer were moving institutions to have more breach locations in NC

1. Motion to approve: Bob Archambeau

2. Second by Larry Michael.

John Young

### IV. Committee Reports

A. Regional Council

Bob Archambeau

- Any new rules must be published by Dec 1<sup>st</sup>. Publish in the regional and then reach out to your councilmembers whom are: Bob Archambeau –
- Regionals will be 4 days in Paduka, Sunday will be the back-up day.
- Money for clinics – let Pres/Treasury for reimbursement from the region; have to get it to the Region before the end of year for tax purposes.
- Chris – Chief Drivers for Nationals this year – Congratulations!
- Fill out the survey – (States) ability based, younger divisions. Results are already posted. Fill out the survey! Ability based was surprising – it was heavily voted against. All active AWSA Members.
- Decided: Clubs wanted to guarantee the number of pulls; min of 4 pulls and running in Fun Division.

1. Motion to accept: Alan Long

2. Second: Burris

3. All in favor & non opposed

B. Junior Development

### V. Old Business

A. None

### VI. New Business

A. 2017 Tournament Schedule = reviewed and approved will send out.

i. Motion to close Alan Long

ii. Second Bob Archambeau

B. Carolina Water Ski Team – collegiate water skiing. Carolina needs a ski site in April and September.

- i. Officials would not be an issue.
- C. Officials Clinics / Driver Clinic – Darnell
  - i. Lake Magnolia would like to host a driver’s clinic May 19<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> official’s driver’s clinic / Jr clinic / Safety
  - ii. Bob can teach safety; Keith can teach the driver’s clinic
  - iii. Junior Clinic – multiple ones
    - Discussed if we could not multiple clinics; 1 day only AWSA members and bring friends/skiers into the clinics; can we do an East & West Clinic and will there be enough support and skiers for both. Through ASAP/YMCA – they coordinate together and run a month long clinic with Charlotte Ski Boats to move into higher sponsorship;
    - Decided: N/A
- D. Fund Raising
- E. Setting Tournament Dates ( multiple tournaments during same weekend )
  - i. By-Laws state that you cannot cannibalize another primary event without prior consent; all approved calendar dates are protected from another club; an unsanctioned event is allowed. Discussion around the rules and how we should operate. Bob wanted to get promo boats involved. Dave Harris brought up the point that to grow as a group we need to operate as a group and not as individual clubs and therefore protected events should be protected events. Chris Eller added if a 3 event tournament lake would take priority over an event tournament.
  - ii. Up for vote: All sanctioned events must be approved by the board and EVP; if it is on the tournament schedule it is therefore protected.
    - Voted: 16 in favor: shall read – “ Primary sanctioned tournament events shall be protected whereas no other North Carolina club can host a sanctioned event on the same date with no permissible exceptions. All primary and dates are protected from conflicting events by the association. All other approved and scheduled events are subject to approval by the NC board. Secondary events must go through the NC board and EVP.”
    - Motion to accept: Bob Archambeau
    - Seconded:
    - All in favor – none opposed
  - iii. June 30<sup>th</sup> – July 1<sup>st</sup> penciled in for Little Mountain
  - iv. Beaver would want a 3<sup>rd</sup> tournament 3 event; nothing conflicting with it; Aug 2<sup>nd</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> slalom
  - v. Magnolia Aug 22<sup>nd</sup>
- F. Team/Joint Tournament
  - i. Discussion about can we effectively do a NC/SC joint tournament. May or late Sept may be good dates to include SC skiers into the NC sites. State Championship would be too difficult to do, but maybe they can join in some of our events.
    - Decided: N/A
- G. NC State Championship Rules
  - i. 2018 State Championship – Location: Clear Lake
  - ii. Rule Amendment Proposals: Spirit of the rules exist so that the top 3 skiers can complete in regional events and nationals but also to draw skiers of all abilities to participate in the event.
    - Proposed & Voted: Eliminate the rule that states an approved skier must qualify by skiing in at least one tournament; currently only one region has

this rule in the Southern Region. Consider that this changed from last year where skiers can ski in Class F and ski not for placement so that no skier gets turned away. They will get their passes but not compete for ranking or medal.

- Decided: all agree
  - Unchanged – To qualify for placement / medal a skier must:
    - a. must provide proof of residency ( NC )
    - b. skier must be an AWSA member and be in good standing ( joining the day of is allowed)
    - c. new skiers can complete if it is their first tournament so the below rule will not apply
  - Proposed & Voted: Rule states that as a qualifier a skier must have skied in at least one NCWSA event the year previous to the former state championship date OR have participated in an event such as an official, coordinator or driver. Proposed change was relating to remove the rule.
  - Decided: 14 voted to leave as is, 5 no vote/undecided
  - Decided: all Juniors placements should receive a trophy/medal; great for our sport to recognize up and coming skiers.
- iii. Proposed: Include South Carolina in our State Championships as joint NC/SC
- Decided: logistically this would be very difficult with scoring, medals, etc

#### H. INT League

- i. Where do these tournaments fit in now that INT will be going away in NC? These were tournaments designed around fun and ability based participation? Can some of these competitors be swayed to join AWSA? Announcements may go on social media but perhaps get Johnny Wofford to provide an e mail list and send them the ncwaterskiers.com side. 50% discount on first tournament perhaps.

#### I. Hall of Fame – Conference Calls

- i. Darnell would like to entertain that officers and HOF members to vote in; 2<sup>nd</sup> week in Jan was proposed and once a month do an active conference call. We want to make sure everyone is included in the discussion and voting. Darnell will send out link.
- ii. Tommy recommended that we do what USA Waterski is doing – Distinction Award

#### J. Term for Officers – lengthen term

- i. Discussed proper term for officers. One proposal is that we rotate clubs to take over – widely accepted in the group forum but nothing voted on.

#### K. Social Media – Web Master

- i. Discussed on the subject of the great work of our media master – reimbursement was voted on and accepted – update: sent a \$ 500.00 check to Tommy in February.
  - Motion to accept: Shirley Coble
  - Seconded: John Burris
  - All in favor – none opposed

### VII. Other Business

A. State Championship – proposed to make cut off 2-3 weeks prior to cut off date so we can get a good count for banquet; late fees can encourage ppl to sign up and participate. Get the word out on FB/IG/Web channels – keep it fun but informative.

B. Jerry Hargis Award: for outstanding service to waterski community. They wanted a committee to keep this ongoing. Mike P and any recipient of that award should be on the committee

as well. This would effectively take place of the Award of Distinction from USA Waterski. Darnell can help is define the scope of the qualifications and criteria. And to pass this on to Mike P.

C.Coordination of the Waterski Federation: Robbie Mitchell would like to pass on the baton of Coordinator for the Waterski Federation.

Assembly of Awards & Medals Who can replace this role? Eddie will work with Larry on the current inventory. Some clubs this is the role of the VP.

D.Junior Activities – State Champion reimbursement – Treasurer reimbursed for expenses used at the State Championship that allowed kids to have a great ski weekend as well as fun games after the tournament!

VIII. Motion to adjourn – Alan Long

1. Eddie 2<sup>nd</sup>