

North Carolina Water Ski Association
 2018 Winter General Membership Meeting
 November 9, 2019
 Coble Ski School, Lillington, NC
Minutes

- I. Call to Order 9:31 am Johnny Thomas
 a. Attendance Sheet

Johnny Thomas	Alan Long	Jeff Gilbert
Donnie Lindsey	Ken Jordan	Bob Archambeau
John Brooks	Max Rouse	Brooke McMahan
Cheryl Armstrong	Vic Armstrong	Jack Bond
Eddie Carrick	Tommy Harrington	Pat Bloodworth
Shirley Coble	Mark Dingeman	Robbie Parks
Chris Eller	Erica Bleier	

Addendums Attached:

Meeting Minutes from State Championship
 2019 NCWSA Budget

Old Business

- I. Presentation of Minutes Erica Bleier
 b. Winter Meeting – Main topics
 i. Bylaw wording for tournament dates voted on

PROPOSED RULE CHANGE	VOTED	DECISION
Sanctioned tournament events shall be protected whereas no other North Carolina Club can host a sanctioned event on the same date. In the event more than one club wishes to hold an event on the same date, it is the responsibility of the two clubs to discuss possible options but the club with the primary/secondary date can allow or disallow the event of the other club making the request. Changes and/or agreements must be submitted to the North Carolina Board in writing.	YES	All present voted yes except for one

- ii. Junior Development Committee budget proposal for Junior Activities at tournaments

PROPOSAL	OWNER	VOTED	
Host club may request up to \$500 from Junior account for each primary tournament. May use up to half of the money for entry fees. The rest will be used for activities for kids.	Valerie Pollock	Motion to accept – Bob Archambeau Second – Jeff Mitchell All in favor; none opposed	
6 primary tournaments			\$500 each
NC States Tournament			\$1000
Junior Development			Pays for itself
Total			\$4000

Motion to accept minutes – Alan Long
 Second – Bob Archambeau

- c. Summer Meeting – Main topics
 - i. New Officers elected
 - 1. Ari Grode is taking over as President
 - a. May still need to have a vote at Summer Meeting based on Bylaws
 - 2. Council Seats
 - a. Robbie Parks
 - b. Chris Eller re-elected
 - 3. Other positions remain the same
 - ii. Scholarship Awards presented
 - iii. Jr Development Fundraiser
 - iv. 2020 States are at Lake Magnolia

Motion to accept minutes – Bob Archambeau

Second – Alan Long

- II. Treasurer’s Report Erica Bleier
 - a. Debit card and Square Acct pull from main acct so transfers had to be made appropriately
 - b. MoneyMinder was very easy to use and easy to divide up into categories \$159 per year
 - c. Good job raising money through Jr Clinic/States
 - d. Skyview Jr Clinic
 - i. Still waiting for reimbursement (\$400)
 - e. Other money spent on flowers/plaques/website/medals
 - f. Can also get reimbursement for any Safety or Driver clinic. Bob Archambeau will get this information to Johnny Thomas to forward appropriately

Motion to accept – April Coble

Second – Shirley Coble

- III. Committee Reports
 - a. Regional Council Bob Archambeau
 - i. Regionals: formal bid to be at Jeff Rodgers; no other bids at this time
 - 1. Jeff won’t do: has hard time asking for help;
 - a. Need to take on a challenge: dock starters, trash, etc.
 - b. Offer help as officials and behind the scenes help
 - c. Sign-up sheet to help.
 - i. April will organize the kids doing trash.
 - 2. Thinking about: Tuesday through Saturday or Wednesday through Sunday.
 - ii. Regional Winter Meeting
 - 1. Make sure we have representation from the NC on the board or at the meeting.
 - 2. New rules will be voted on such at W4 speed.

3. All new rules are published at least 30-60 days ahead of time.
4. EVP represents our region as well as State and local clubs.
5. Winter Meeting—Birmingham, AL; very expensive, hard to get to. Suggestion of Atlanta by April Coble. 2x more expensive to host in Atlanta. Unknown where it will be. Email Keith Lindemulder.

b. Junior Development

April Coble

- i. Encouraged others to go around and get gift cards from businesses

Motion to accept – Erica Bleier

Second – Shirley Coble

IV. Splash Eye

- a. Regular one can be used for jump; premium adds slalom and trick

PROPOSAL	DUE DATE	
Chris Eller will investigate cost of Splash Eye. The North Carolina Water Ski Association will pay for half of the total cost. The other half to be paid by the North Carolina Clubs. Final determination will be made at the summer meeting.	Summer meeting	Motion to accept – Bob Archambeau Second – Ari Grode All in favor; none opposed

- b. Changes in cost and now more affordable. Each club can choose to purchase. Proposal no longer needed.

Motion to withdraw proposal – Alan Long

Second – Shirley Coble

New Business

I. 2020 Tournament Schedule

- a. In order to keep your primary date, you must pay dues as well as attend meeting
- b. Senior Worlds: September 12th to September 19th 2020
- c. State tournament date always protected; it is 2 weeks before Regionals
- d. Adaptive Clinic
 - i. Usually ski Thursday/Friday with tournament Sat/Sunday
 - ii. Options 5/16-5/17 or 6/13-6/14
- e. Discussed moving to a single large event for each club. May to smaller secondary tournaments. This will help decrease the amount of commitments skiers have throughout the month of May/June. Beaver Lake has agreed to try this new schedule as long as the original PRIMARY date is protected for 2021.

PROTECTED PRIMARY DATES	
June 6 th – 7 th	Skyview -- primary
June 13 th – 14 th	Magnolia – primary
June 20 th – 21 st	Beaver Lake – primary
June 27 th – 28 th	Clear Lake – primary
September 12 th – 13 th	Little Mountain – primary
September 26 th – 27 th	Rocky Ford – primary

f. 2020 Tournament Schedule

2020 Tournament Schedule		
Date	Club	
MAY		
May 9 th – 10 th		Mother's Day
May 16 th – 17 th	Adaptive Clinic?	
May 23 rd – 24 th		Memorial Day
May 30 th	Junior Development – Coble Ski School	
May 31 st	Safety Clinic? – Coble Ski School	
JUNE		
June 6 th – 7 th	Little Mountain	Slalom CELR
June 13 th – 14 th	Lake Magnolia – primary	3-event (2 round)
June 20 th – 21 st	Skyview – primary	3-event 2C, 2L
June 27 th – 28 th	Clear Lake – primary	3-event 2C
JULY		
July 4 th – 5 th		3-event 2C
July 11 th – 12 th	NC States Championships – Lake Magnolia	
July 18 th – 19 th		
July 22 nd – 26 th	Southern Regionals – TBD	
AUGUST		
August 1 st – 2 nd		
August 4 th – 8 th	Nationals – West Palm Beach, FL	
August 15 th – 16 th		
August 22 nd	Lake Magnolia	
August 23 rd		
August 29 th – 30 th	Beaver Lake	3-event 2C
SEPTEMBER		
September 5 th – 6 th		
September 12 th – 13 th	Little Mountain – primary	CELR
September 19 th	Clear Lake	Slalom 2C, Jump 1C
September 20 th		
September 26 th – 27 th	Rocky Ford – primary	
OCTOBER		
October 3 rd – 4 th		
October 10 th – 11 th		

Motion to accept – Vic Armstrong
 Second – Eddie Carrick

- II. Official Clinic/Driver Clinic/Safety Clinic
 - a. Needs to do clinic every 4 years
 - b. Judges Clinic – Can do online
 - c. Safety clinic
 - i. Practical can be done at a tournament
 - 1. Need one hour’s work at tournament
 - ii. Can to clinic and then sign off sheet over the summer
 - iii. May be online next year

- III. Junior Development Clinic 2020
 - a. Need to focus on our current skiers and those that will continue to ski in tournaments
 - b. Coble Ski School will host 1 day clinic (May 30th 2020) April Coble
 - i. 6 skiers per lake, 4-5 lakes
 - ii. Need to ski 4-5 times
 - iii. Must join NCWSA
 - iv. Entertainment 5:00 pm
 - v. Help pulls from current coaches at ski school; any other volunteer help is welcome

- IV. Junior Development Committee – Johnny Thomas
 - a. Doing a great job of fundraising
 - b. The proposal from the Winter Meeting 2018 will continue to be in effect

- V. Hall of Fame
 - a. Did not hear anything from Darnell
 - b. Added Award of Distinction
 - c. Darnell does a lot of behind the scenes work. We want to thank him for this.
 - d. Spent a lot of time on the phone and behind the scenes
 - i. Easier to discuss in person. Suggestion of meeting together at some point
 - ii. Possible Webinar but not sufficient internet connection in certain areas
 - e. Tommy Harrington – proposing announcing inductees/recipients ahead of time
 - i. Allows family to be a part of the banquet/dinner
 - ii. Difficult to have it be a surprise at times

PROPOSAL	ACCEPTED?	
Chairperson shall announce Hall of Fame inductees and Award of Distinction recipient as soon as Hall of Fame committee has made a decision. Motion to accept – Shirley Coble, Second – Bob Archambeau	YES	All present voted yes; no objections

- f. Still no decision on location for permanent structure
 - i. North Carolina Sports Hall of Fame – a museum in Raleigh
 - ii. Alan Long to start looking for location, putting together cost, proposal, etc.
 - 1. Present more at summer meeting 2020

VI. Webmaster

- a. Tommy has done a great job. We have a lot of followers compared to other States and Regions
- b. Need to sell this sport
- c. Get with managers of teams going to other countries to compete
- d. Motion to put NCWSA memberships online

PROPOSAL	OWNER	ACCPETED
NCWSA memberships will be online. Motion to accept – Bob Archambeau, Second – Tommy Harrington	Erica Bleier	All present voted yes; no objections

- e. Continue to give Tommy Harrington \$500
 - i. Motion to accept – Erica Bleier
 - ii. Second – Bob Archambeau
 - iii. All present voted yes; no objections

VII. Officials/Drivers

- a. Difficult to find ratings online
- b. Ari Grode will put together a list to post with the date it was last updated

VIII. Records – How does North Carolina want to list and accept State records

- a. Maximum speeds and age classes are ever changing
- b. Currently AWSA lists the new record (at new speed), as well as the old record
- c. Records are set by total buoy count
- d. Southern Region is retiring old records

PROPOSAL	ACCEPTED?	
Any changes in a division (age or speed) will freeze the previous record for that group. New records can be set at the next State Tournament following the change. Will continue to list the old records along with the new one with * to denote a change in the division. Motion to accept – Mark Dingeman, Second – Erica Bleier	YES	All present voted yes; no objections

IX. Call for other New Business

- a. Erica Bleier proposes we continue to utilize MoneyMinder program at a cost of \$159 per year
 - i. Motion to accept – Alan Long
 - ii. Second – Cheryl Armstrong
- b. Alan Long proposes we move the meeting to the first Saturday of December
 - i. Deadline for Regional Guide is February 15th
 - ii. Recommend meeting be held prior to Regional Meeting (2nd weekend of January)
 - iii. By moving the meeting date, we would have the rules ahead of time

PROPOSAL	ACCEPTED?	
Winter Meeting to be held the 1 st Saturday of December unless the Saturday falls the weekend after Thanksgiving in which case the meeting will be held the 2 nd Saturday in December. Motion to accept – Bob Archambeau, Second – Jeff Gilbert	YES	All present voted yes; no objections

- c. State Tournament 2020 – Ari Grode
 - i. Order of events: would like to do ALL slalom on Saturday, trick/jump on Sunday
 - 1. Pros
 - a. Ease of course changes
 - b. Time
 - 2. Cons
 - a. Decrease in banquet attendees
 - b. Officials may not want to stay the following day
 - c. Junior awards at banquet
 - ii. Please contact Ari Grode for any suggestions for State tournament
- d. Tournament Dates – Jeff Gilbert
 - i. Tournament Cancellations
 - 1. Bylaws states you must cancel 30 days prior to event unless there is an extenuating circumstance
 - 2. Need to notify all other local tournament directors ASAP
 - 3. Need to notify Tommy Harrington so he can post update online
 - ii. Discussed possible exclusions for the rule of tournament date protection.
 - 1. Thought that tournaments such as Big Dawg, Queen’s Cup are different type/caliber tournaments and should be excluded from the rule
 - 2. Discussed that Big Dawg is possibly excluded however Queen’s Cup is still considered a local tournament
 - 3. No changes to current rule have been made
 - iii. COMMUNICATION IS KEY
 - 1. Additional tournament dates – any open weekend is 1st come, 1st served basis; no need to have approval if it is open
 - a. If you are even considering an additional tournament date, contact all other local clubs as a courtesy
 - b. Contact AWSA site ASAP for them to post
 - c. If you would like to host a tournament on a date that is already taken, contact that tournament director ASAP to see if it can be worked out for both officials and skiers
 - i. The rule is written as to not put pressure on officials, drivers, and skiers to have to choose. Keep this in mind and be respectful.
 - 2. COMMUNICATION IS KEY!!!!

Motion to Adjourn (1:20 pm)

Motion to accept – Mark Dingeman

Second – Alan Long
