



Alaska Division ACC Meeting Minutes -- 10/27/2020 6pm AKT

Members in attendance: Lara Hildreth (ACC/ASC), Natalie Osborne (Divisional Manager), Amy Guse (ACC), Brian Hartman (ACC), John DeHaven (HART), Mary Thomas (ACC), Luke Clement (Arctic Valley), Sparky Anderson (UAA), Bill Gunesch (WR), Jeff Pickering (WR)

Topic: Alaska Division USSA's Zoom Meeting

- **Approval of Minutes September 23, 2020**
 - Hartman Motion
 - Dehaven 2nd
 - Minutes approved with no changes.

- **Approval of Agenda October 27, 2020**
 - Agenda approved with no additions

- **WR Staff** – Open forum to discuss with Bill Gunesch, Angie Brown and Jeff Pickering
 - Bill:
 - i. All Summer and Fall Projects were cancelled. That included 5 U14, U16 and FIS projects.
 - ii. The current biggest effort is the calendar. 2020/21 is fairly complete right now. There will be no U14 WR championship in 2021. The 2020 Championships will be in November since that is still in the calendar year and a 2021 championships will happen in March 2021.
 - iii. Fluoro Waxes: Alpine sport committee approved motion to ban fluoro wax at all levels of USSA racing, as it has been banned in North America (Canada and US). FIS is still able to use fluoro through at least June 2021.
 - iv. There is a resolution draft to equalize gender quota for Championship events. It has been tabled for future discussion, but was applied to the 2020 Nationals in November 2020.
 - v. There is a U14 Non-Competition Project being drafted for April 2021 (approximately just after Easter). Task Force is working on the project with Pick. 45 men/45 women. No site has been chosen yet (Mammoth is out/PNSA is out due to other conflicting events). Will be a 4-day block, no timing, focus on speed, fun, progression. Announcement is expected in early December.
 - vi. Pick enjoyed catching up with ASC in Mt. Hood in July.
 - vii. Would like to have a monthly call with U14/u16 groups to stay in touch.

- **Official's Report – Brian Hartman**
 - Online Officials Updates/Recerts via Zoom.
 - If jury ends up doing gate keeping, needs to have coaches w/ Cos on courses, especially when more are needed (example: stubbie courses)
 - New coaches need to get their CO done online & get to Brian for grading.
 - Because of the 2019 fall conference, we are pretty well set. All officials for HART and AV are up-to-date. ASC only has 4 – 5 in need of recert. Randy Bates needs re-cert. Brian suggests taking care of the ASC ones and have Randy join in with Lucy online for his re-cert.
 - TD shadowing CAN be done this year. We will be in need of new people to step up and be in those TD roles, if anyone is interested. 2020, we only really have Brian Hartman and Alex Von Wichman.
 - Officials + Volunteers Needs / Update from clubs on their exact needs for hosting events.
 - i. Natalie is going to create a Google template of what is needed at a race to fulfill roles in order for HART, JSC and AV to provide feedback of what they will need to pull off any races they are hosting.

- **Old Business**
 - Homologations / Updates from Clubs
 - i. Lara has been in touch with Paul and he will be getting reports back to clubs very soon (ASC / AV / JSC)
 - ii. 3 new Super G courses at AV!
 - Division Calendar / Formally Adopt
 - i. Calendar was adopted, but everyone understands 2020/21 may be a very fluid year and we will need to be flexible if the atmosphere changes.
 - ii. Natalie will layout points boards for U12s and U14s. They have so many races in the state!
 - iii. U16 Tri-Divs:
 - 1. 100 athletes, Troy is still working on the quota calculation. But the ROC (Big Sky) has it confirmed.
 - COVID Coordinator Role / Updates from clubs
 - i. AV is working with a COVID committee and their board. Will have a mitigation plan published soon.
 - ii. HART has a COVID mitigation plan complete. It will be published to their website when it launches next week.
 - iii. ASC approved their COVID mitigation plan with the Board yesterday (10/26) and it will be posted to the website. They have hired (paid position) a COVID Coordinator who will be on staff through the winter.
 - UAA Skiing – update from Sparky
 - i. Fundraising is at about \$203,000 so far (that includes the matching funds from Ski Racing Magazine).

- ii. Sparky is hoping Tiger and/or Chip will write something (Bill & Pick will help there).
 - iii. Team is working hard
 - iv. Midnight Sun is running a matching donation campaign right now – go donate there!
 - v. Girdwood Brewing is going to do something similar in December.
- "Legendary Lex Patten Ski Run Naming" Committee Report/Update
 - i. This has fallen off the radar, committee will get to working on this again. Committee includes: Jen Danza, Natalie Osborne, Amy Guse, JP Dehaven
 - ii. Sign production once the file is complete will only take about 3 days.
 - iii. Natalie is working on design. JP will send some photos of the signs around the hill for examples of what is up there, but this can be creative and doesn't need to stay within any specific guidelines.
 - iv. Need to come up with actual name of the run.
- **New Business**
 - Proposal to increase Entry Fees for AK Divisional Scored Races (Osborne) Refer to supporting document.
 - Raising ROC \$1
 - JP Dehaven proposed.
 - Luke Clement 2nd.
 - Approved with no discussion.
 - Team Alaska: Academic Team athlete lists deadline is November 31, 2020.
 - Team Alaska: Committee Volunteer needed for new awards procurement.
 - Natalie needs help with new ideas.
 - Old gifts include: pop sockets, thumbdrives, mugs, blankets.
 - These gifts are a progression and they get something a little bigger the more years they are on the Academic Team.
 - New ideas: HydroFlasks, Buffs
 - Natalie will put together a google sheet with what she has done in the past and the budgets she is working with to see about some new ideas.
 - Have all clubs registered their races?
 - i. Note: USSS will be refunding all schedule agreement fees for races/events that are canceled due to COVID19. Please get your races registered by end of November. You can still add later in the season, and pay a late fee. If it is moving because of a cancelation, like previously, USSS will work with the original site so that site two pays site one the agreement fee.
 - ii. If anyone needs help, Lara is happy to walk through with people over the phone while they are filling out the agreement.
- **Set Next ACC Meeting – Wed. Dec 2, 2020 @ 6pm**