

2022 U.S. Ski & Snowboard Ski Jumping / NC Sport Committee Meeting Minutes

May 5, 2022; Utah Olympic Park, Online Video/Teleconference

Martina Lussi, Chair

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

8:02am Call to Order – Martina Lussi

Members Present: Martina Lussi, Blake Hughes, Nick Hendrickson, Jasper Good, Colin Delaney, Matt Petri, Paul Jastrow

Others in attendance: Anders Johnson, Dan Dean, Paul Wylie, Zak Hammill, Garrett Fisk, Karl Denney, Tom Bickner, Rex Bell, Meg Larson, Scott Smith, Matt Laue, Jennifer Hassrick, Lyle Bucher, Tomas Matura, Kerry Lynch, Kim Larson, Todd Wilson, Chris Gilbertson, Todd Einig, Jill Brabec, Kyle Wilkens, Riley Elliott, Rebecca Dayton, Adam Loomis, Jim Holland

2. Confirmation of SJ/NC Sport Committee Membership 2022

- Martina Lussi	Chair	5/2023
- Bryan Fish	US SKI Nordic Manager	By employment
- Decker Dean	Athlete SJ	5/2023
- Bryan Fletcher	Athlete NC/BOD	5/2022
- Jasper Good	Athlete NC	5/2024
- Logan Sankey	Athlete SJ	5/2024
- Blake Hughes	National Coach	5/2023
- Nick Hendrickson	National Coach NC	5/2023
- Colin Delaney	Regional Rep, East	5/2023
- Matt Petri	At Large	5/2023
- Paul Jastrow	Officials	5/2024
- Jed Hinkley	At Large	5/2022

3. Confirmation of the Subcommittees

Executive Committee

Martina Lussi – Lake Placid, NY	Chair	5/2023
Bryan Fish – Park City, UT	U.S. Ski Nordic Mgr.	By employment
Bryan Fletcher – Park City, UT	Athlete NC/BOD	5/2022
Blake Hughes – Park City, UT	Coaches	5/2021
Paul Jastrow – Eau Claire, WI	Officials	5/2022

Judicial Committee

Martina Lussi – Lake Placid, NY	Chair	5/2023
Bryan Fish – Park City, UT	U.S. Ski Nordic Mgr.	By employment
Bryan Fletcher – Park City, UT	Athlete NC/BOD	5/2022
Blake Hughes – Park City, UT	Coaches	5/2021
Paul Jastrow – Eau Claire, WI	Officials	5/2022

4. **Opening comments by Chair – Martina Lussi**

5. **Approval of minutes, Spring USSA Congress 2021**

Motion: ?

To approve the minutes of the 2021 SJ/NC Committee Meeting

2nd:

Discussion : none

Vote: In Favor: All; Opposed: None

Outcome: *Minutes approved*

6. **Domestic Calendar Report – Alan Johnson**

- Waiting on approval of Iron Mountain World Cup
 - i. Effecting the calendar for the winter season, including US Cup and COC schedule
- October 9-11, COC in Lake Placid, Men's and Women's Ski Jumping
- October 1-2, U.S. National Championships
- Major Summer dates confirmed
- World University Games January 12-22
- Proposed Nordic Combined Continental Cup Lake Placid, February 10-12
- World Junior Tryout, Steamboat, December 3rd, Park City, January 7-8
- World University Game Tryout, Small Hill Nationals in Lake Placid, Oct. 1

Motion: None, calendar incomplete

7. **Sport Reports**

Sport Development Summary – Blake Hughes

- Brief summary provided by Karin to present
 - Overall paid membership is up 105% of goal (197)
 - Focus on major upcoming events and overview of community our reach programs (US Junior cup series, Virtual Nationals, Flyer Camps)

Men's Nordic Combined – Nick Hendrickson

- Overview of team goals for this season
- Overview of individual athletes performance and goals
- Overview of team goals for the next four years
- Continue building pipeline with Junior National Team
 - Full report available upon request

Women's Nordic Combined – Tomas Matura

- Overview of team goals for this season
- Overview of individual athletes performance and goals
- Overview of team goals for the next four years

Men's Ski Jumping – Blake Hughes

- Coaching staff changes
- Overview of team goals for this season

- Overview of individual athletes performance and goals
- Overview of team goals for the next four years
- Continue building pipeline with Junior National Team
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Women's Ski Jumping – Blake Hughes

- Overview of team goals for this season
- Overview of individual athletes performance and goals
- Overview of team goals for the next four years
- Continue building pipeline with Junior National Team
 - Full report available upon request
- Coaching Staff Changes

8. Proposals and Report from Officials' Sub Committee – Paul Jastrow

- New Officials with National/FIS Qualifications
 - National Level
 - Dan Brabec (RMD) – Judge
 - FIS Level
 - Keith Hanson (IMD) – Chief of Competition
 - Paul Jastrow (Central) – Chief of Competition
 - Matt Keuler (Central) – Judge
- FIS Obman Election – Elections were held this past week by the Current FIS Officials to elect the FIS Obman for the next 4-year term concluding in May 2026. Reed Zuehlke was re-elected.
- Created manual process for Annual Rules Review testing when US Ski & Snowboard Official Memberships are renewed/created. Will continue to work on improvements to this testing process.
- Continued to work with Ken Hatch, Division Chair of the Alaska Division, to progress through the training plan to get one AK Official to be ready for assignment of one of their Officials to the 2024 Junior National Championships.
- Will try again to form an Officials Pipeline Review Working Group charged with reviewing the current Officials Pipeline document and requirements. Goal is to update current document along with creating detailed guidelines for all levels of officials.
- Discussed the possibility that the current FIS Equipment Control Protocols will be changed and may affect our current Equipment Control Rules. Decided that when FIS makes any changes that affect our rules, we will address with Coaches and Officials together to adjust as necessary and present to US Ski & Snowboard Executive Committee for adoption.
- Will begin the development of Level Specific (Small Hill, Divisional Medium Hill, US Cup, JN Qualifier for example) rule guidebooks for Officials, Coaches and Organizers use at these specific level events.
- National Assignments
 - US Jr Nationals – Coleraine, MN**
 - TD – Jarrett Moe (IMD)
 - CoC – Paul Jastrow (Central)
- Updated competition age classes
- Rules updated and errors corrected
- Full report upon request

Motion: Blake Hughes

To approve rules proposed

2nd Nick Hendrickson

Discussion: None

Vote: In Favor, All; Opposed: none

9. Coaches' Subcommittee – Blake Hughes

- Junior National team selection committee appointed
- Junior Training program explained
- Appointed new Subcommittee Chair – Zak Hammill

Motion: Nick Hendrickson

To approve rules proposed

2nd Blake Hughes

Discussion: None

Vote: In Favor, All; Opposed: none

10. USANS Rex Bell Presentation

- Norway/USA Partnership
 - i. Ski Jumping teams
 - ii. Sports Science
 - iii. Coaches Education

11. Announcement of US Ski and Snowboard Winners

Blegen Award	Chuck Heckert
Athlete of the Year – Ski Jumping:	Annika Belshaw
Athlete of the Year – Nordic Combined:	Ben Loomis
International Coach of the Year:	Chris Gilbertson
Domestic Coach of the Year:	Todd Einig
Official of the Year: Mittelstadt Award	Keith Hanson
Paul Nash Layman Award: (NC National Champion)	Taylor Fletcher
Sons of Norway Jumping Award: (Best Junior at National Championships)	Erik Belshaw
Paul Bietila Award: (Normal Hill National Champion)	Casey Larson

Torger Tokle Award:
(Large Hill National Champion)

Casey Larson

Dorothy Graves Award:
(Female Jr. National Champion U-16)

Ella Wilson

- **Club of the year award not awarded, out of compliance with SafeSport**

12. Expiring Terms

- **Expiring Terms 2022**
 - Bryan Fletcher – Athlete/BOD – 5/2022
 - Jed Hinkley – At Large – 5/2022
- Jasper Good voted by athletes to become US Ski and Snowboard athlete representative to replace Bryan Fletcher
- Jed Hinkley's at large seat eliminated from Committee
 - Increased athlete representation

Motion: Paul Jastrow

To approve Jasper Good to BOD/Athlete rep., Sport Committee

2nd Matt Petri

Discussion: None

Vote: In Favor, All; Opposed: none

Motion: Matt Petri

To adjourn 10:15am MST

2nd Paul Jastrow

Discussion: None

Vote: In Favor, All; Opposed: none