Alpine Meeting Schedule

Tuesday, May 14, 2019
7:30 a.m. – 9:00 am Alpine Club Working Group – Tami Strong chair, Intermountain Park City Hospital - Blair Education Center, 900 Round Valley Drive
8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. RMISA Spring Meeting – Tyler Shepherd, Mountain View
1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Alpine Western Region – Tim Hinderman, Kearns/Hearst
2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Alpine Executive Committee – D Landstrom chair, Ivers
4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Alpine Sport Committee – D Landstrom chair, Summit C
5:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. College Panel Discussion – Chip Knight, moderator

Wednesday, May 15, 2019
8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. Alpine - Summit A
8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Alpine Collegiate Working Group – Peter Dodge chair
3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. Intermountain Meeting – Gordon Perry chair
6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Alpine Rules Working Group – Rogan Connell chair
8:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m. Alpine - Summit B
8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Alpine Officials’ Education – Lucy Schram chair
1:00 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. Alpine Timing – John Jett chair
3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Alpine National TD Working Group – Chuck Hughes chair
6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Alpine Courses Working Group – Doug Hall chair
8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. Alpine - Summit C
8:00 a.m. – 9:55 a.m. Alpine Coaches’ Education – Gar Trayner, chair
10:05 a.m. – noon Alpine Development – Karen Ghent, chair
12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Alpine Rocky/Central Region – John Manderfield chair
2:45 p.m. – 4:45 p.m. Alpine U16 and Older Working Group – Pete Korfiatis chair
6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Alpine Regional Subcommittee – Craig Krueger, chair

Thursday, May 16, 2019
7:30 a.m. – 8:00 a.m. Keynote Address – Tiger Shaw - Summit A+B+C
8:15 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Alpine - Summit A
8:15 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Alpine Classification – Paul Mahre acting chair
10:15 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Alpine U14 and Younger Working Group – Jim Hudson chair
8:45 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Alpine - Summit B
8:45 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Alpine FIS TDs – Carl Guenzel chair
10:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. FIS Subcommittee – Paul Van Slyke chair
2:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. Alpine Tech Subcommittee – Doug Hall chair
8:45 a.m. – 4:15 p.m. Alpine - Summit C
10:30 a.m. – noon Alpine Quotas & Selection WG – Beat Hupfer chair
1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Alpine Development – Karen Ghent chair
3:15 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. Alpine Education Subcommittee – Jon Nolting chair

Friday, May 17, 2019
7:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Alpine - Summit B
7:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Alpine Executive Committee – D Landstrom chair (closed meeting)
11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Alpine Sport Committee Meeting – Darryl Landstrom chair
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Alpine Club Working Group

Park City Hospital - Blair Education Center, 900 Round Valley Drive

Tuesday, May 14, 2019, 7:30 a.m. – 9:00 am

Minutes

Meeting Chair: Tami Strong
East Podium Club Rep: John Norton
Rocky/Central Podium Club Rep: John Hale
Western Podium Club Rep: Tami Strong
Small Club Rep: Jim Reilly – absent
Medium/Large Club Rep: John Scheimer – absent
Resort Owned Club Rep: Pete Korfiatis
Divisional Rep: Laura Sullivan
At Large: Dave Edry, Robert Bacon

U.S. Ski & Snowboard Staff: Gar Trayner, Ellen Adams, Chris Packert, Anna Hosmer

Guests: Beaty Schlueter, Lester Keller, Joe Paul, Don Stellin, Ron Lawrence, Jason Hey, Jim Tschabrun, Branko Zagar, Darren Michael, Jeff Barber, Mark Godomsky, Jeff Byrne, Brian Krill, Kyle Wormsbecker, Charlotte Moats, Kelly Lewis, Doug Lewis, Greg Hadley, Jon Nolting

1. Welcome and call to order - Tami Strong
2. Roll call and a quorum is present.
3. Review and approval of agenda
   3.1. Motion: Laura Sullivan; Second: John Norton; Motion carried
4. Review and approval of minutes
   4.1. Motion: John Norton; Second: Laura Sullivan; Motion carried
5. Reports
   5.1. Club Development Manager Report (Ellen Adams)

   Two clubs have advanced from Silver to Gold; 9 new clubs achieved bronze; 5 more in process; 9 clubs achieved recertification. Anticipate 10-15 new clubs each year. By 2022, goal is to have 81 clubs certified. Only worry is having the capacity on administrative end to do this.

   Club Excellence conference has grown organically each year; 2019 is the largest group to date at 187 attendees.

   Regional Club Excellence Conferences - difficult to schedule those so we took a pause on them this year. We want to partner with regions/divisions to deliver conferences that work best with their schedules.

Recap of FY19:
- Steady organic growth of the certification program
- Continue shifting resources from gold and silver to bring more clubs into the process at the bronze level
- Club working group is evolving
- Successful consulting projects; restructuring board and staffing and merging of clubs
- Club consultants can help on both sport and business side
- Completed Gender in Sport Ski & Snowboard Coaching Survey
- Cost of Sport Survey
- Worked with SafeSport on MAAPP for clubs.

Looking ahead FY20
- Enhancing the Programming assessment
- Regional/Divisional staff in certification and evaluations building a larger team
- Expand leadership forums - stay in touch and strengthen communication.
- Collect/analyze data to inform clubs to help them navigate challenges - help us with what club needs are.

5.2. Sport Education Director Report (Gar Trayner)

Areas of roles and responsibilities
- Number of clinics - larger volume of opportunities for clinics for more certification of coaches
- We would like to be a lot more strategic on where we place our professional development opportunities. Working with regional staff and calendars
- Holding strong 55-60% of coaches certified
- 6,077 coaches in membership
- 3,394 coaches are certified
- Where is our opportunity? How do we truly affect change? We have robust amount of content we are in a strong position to better service our athletes.

Identifying opportunities
- Create community of continual learning and engagement with current and relevant content.
- Create a glossary of terms on technical/tactical so we are all on the same page and we all sending a similar message.
- Connect continuing education
- Marketing and communications to engage with our constituents
- Content generation
- Moving towards full compliance of coach certification by spring of 2022, we will have to increase our capacity by 25% per year until then.
- Revised pricing models across all disciplines so we are consistent
- Rewording course descriptions that encourage career development for continual improvement
- FastStart - Coaching Fundamentals - replaced FastStart with more relevant robust content - will reduce the online portion for the alpine level 100.
- Prioritized opportunities and identified workflow.
- Regeneration of older content + creating new content - Dick & Carey Model
- Level 100 - 16 hours on snow - 4 hours e learning 2 hours portfolio development = total of 22 hours.
- We condensed the level 100 from the past course
- Want to create a community of continual learning, creativity, best practices.

FY20
- Alpine fundamentals guide regeneration - then across all sports
- Alpine Turn shape model
- Finalize level 100 across all sports
- Coaching fundamentals course to replace fast start
- New level 300 process implementation and plan moving forward
- Glossary of terms
- Usable suite of tools - planning documents, reporting documents, drill progress, process movement, analysis piece

IT & Systems
- Centralized database
- Build out user dashboard with a user toolbox
- Online learning and moodle platform
- More accessible and available with single sign on
- Analyze user experience so you can find these tools and resources

Increasing partnerships
- Gender and Equality
- SafeSport
- Snow Safety Awareness
- Stop the Bleed
- Grassroots development
- Live like Sam
- Celebrating and recognizing clubs volunteers, coaches, officials
- Talent identification
- Competence, Confidence, Connection, Character
- Questions: where does this live now? Two-part process, will have toolbox on your MyUSSA
- Is the new level 100 available as Continuing Ed? Alpine L100 online course is available for coaches who have taken the old level 100.

6. Old Business
6.1. Regions, Divisions and State involvement
6.2. Expanded awareness of Club Certification through States, Divisions and Regions
How do we expand this to clubs, states & regions?
6.3. Education of opportunities at all levels of College Racing
6.4. Inform clubs of their ability to access U.S. Ski & Snowboard club consultants
6.5. Compensation survey and expanding to other surveys
6.6. Continuation of working on defining and communicating pathways beyond U.S.Ski & Snowboard and FIS (USCSA, NCAA, NASTAR)
6.7. In-house Level 100 clinics
6.8. Enforcing coach venue/hill access at sanctioned events to only certified coaches
  6.8.1. Venue access for coaches - moving to full compliance alpine level 100. Concerned that it’s too hard to find coaches for grassroots programs. Difficult to apply, the process will still be the same, we are just trying to put in place support mechanisms so the coaches are operating at a more robust level.
  6.8.2. Volunteers, Gate Keepers, Physios, Support Staff - Create a free online venue safety module for volunteers
    Coaches vs Volunteers - need to up the bar for both and has to be free for volunteers
6.9. Insurance - open up other insurance options to clubs other than CLS and secondary medical, Workmen’s Comp, Property

7. New Business
7.1. Guide to Club Excellence - handbook updating content, providing resources so clubs have templates and examples that they can use and tailor to their needs.
7.2. We want to share this draft with the club working group before published; let us know if we should add anything; if you have good examples, please share them. Everything is confidential.
7.3. Tami tasks this working group: Go out to the area that you cover states and regions look at the calendaring for next season for either fall updates or officials update clinics and offer a club education piece to expand this information out. Please let us know what areas you are reaching out to so we can put this on our club working group calendar.
7.4. Cost of Sport: Let’s try to get exactly what the cost is of our sport breakdown ranges and financial support opportunities. Let’s process this and figure out what are the next steps with the information that we have?

7.5. Tami: August schedule a call for this working group and start a calendar to see where our opportunities are.

8. Election of Officers – N/A

9. Adjournent

9.1. **Motion: Laura Sullivan; Second: Tami Strong; Motion carried**

Meeting ended 8:56 AM
RMISA

Mountainview, DoubleTree Hotel, 1800 Park Avenue, Park City, UT

Tuesday, May 14, 2010, 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Minutes

Meeting Chair: Tyler Shepherd

1. Call to Order: Schools present – UU, DU, CU, UAF, UAA, Westminster, MSU
   1.1. A quorum is present.

2. Additions to Agenda
   2.1. RMISA/NCAA Selection Method

3. Approval of Spring 2018 Minutes


5. NCAA Rules Committee Report – Kevin & Richard
   NCAA allocations are: Men’s Alpine 17, Women’s Alpine 17, Men’s Nordic 17, Women’s Nordic 17

6. New Business
   6.1. Nominations for new RMISA Vice President – Mathew Johnson, MSU, nominated by Tyler Shepherd, Approved Unanimously
   6.2. HF Wax – Vote was taken on UU Proposal to fall in line with international rules/standards and remove the current HF Wax ban. The proposal was deadlock at vote 3-3, Tabled until September. RMISA approved to vote by proxy in September when new hires for two member schools are in place.
   6.3. Modified Alpine Start List procedure for FIS-U
      6.3.1. Propose to remove the “Top-5 FIS points” after the first group after the first two races – DU – Simplify the startlist procedure discussed and Approved Unanimously.
   6.4. Duals format – CU
      Discussion surrounding the format CU ran; all were supportive and would like to see it continue and evolve into an NCAA event. MSU is looking at NCAA schedule to host a DUAL/PSL exhibition at this year’s NCAA Skiing Championships.
   6.5. FIS-U age cap rule (takes effect in 2020/2021)
      Discuss 21 year rule and if RMISA would support falling in line with other sports (clock starts one calendar year after graduation from high school) – Largely a discussion around the U25 FIS-UNI rule and how we may need to utilize the Nations Quota of 4 to circumnavigate the rule for a few athletes. Largely D-I schools are supportive of removing the 21 year rule for skiing, but D-II/D-III are not as keen to support that within their rules as it conflicts with their missions within those divisions.
   6.6. RMISA/NCAA Selection Method
      Largely for discussion. Are we using the right selection method as it rewards one event skiers more than being good in both disciplines? For now, most like the current method, and no action items were proposed to move to the NCAA Skiing Committee.
   6.7. 2019/20 RMISA Schedule
6.7.1. TENTATIVE DATES as of 5/9/19

January 10/11-12 – DU Alpine at Aspen, Nordic at Minturn
January 15-17 – CU Alpine Eldora (not confirmed)
January 17-18 – CU Nordic Steamboat
February 14-16 – UU Nordic Soldier Hollow
February 22-24 – UU Alpine Park City, UT
February 27-29 – MSU/RMISA Champs, Bozeman

6.7.2. Should Nordic pull results for NCAA Qualification purposes from US Nordic Nationals January 4-9? No, not this season.

6.8. RMISA/NCAA Skiing Culture – discussion surrounding the nature of the NCAA rules regarding alcohol and its impact on athletes. All agree that athletes need to understand consequences of alcohol and the rules set forth by NCAA and each institution. It is largely up to each program to enforce such rules as they see fit.

7. Old Business

8. Announcements

Dave Stewart announced his resignation as the head Nordic coach of DU as he accepted a new position as the new Athletic Director at the Steamboat Springs Winter Sports Club. RMISA congratulates Dave on all his successes while at DU and his contributions to NCAA Skiing!

9. Adjourn
Alpine Western Region Competition Committee

Kearns/Hearst, DoubleTree Hotel, 1800 Park Avenue, Park City, UT

Tuesday, May 14, 2019, 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Minutes

Meeting Chair: Tim Hinderman

1. Welcome and call to order – Chair, Tim Hinderman welcome at 13:05, house keeping regarding wifi connection, reminder of shortened time schedule

2. Roll call and review of committee membership - Secretary
   Staff: Chip Knight, Bill Gunesch, Angie Brown, Natalie Osborne, Lucy Schram, Claudia Yamamoto, Sherri Hale, Carma Burnett
   Guests: Sheryl Barnes, Paul Mahre, Tom Webb, Matt Lemon, Morgan Wolfer, Jennie Holdorf, Jamie Landwehr, Jim Hudson, Branko Zagar, Craig Krueger, Adam Haffey, Roy Loman, Todd Brickson, Bill Hudson, Kevin Keane, Jay Hey, Gail Barber, Thelma Hoessler, Bill Madsen, Gillian Esson, Steve Bounous, John Rust, Shannon Carrell, Lindsay Mann, Josie Brownell, Ron Kipp, Eric Harlow, Nate Schwing, Darryl Whitaker, Graham Flin, Will Brandenburg, Riley Berman, Kristina Revello, Mark Wedeking, Jim Tschbraun, Molly Laramie, Karen Korfanta, Tami Strong, Kevin Chaffee, TJ Lanning, Pete Korfiatis, Eric Garayoa, Jenna Mendes, Gwynn Watkins

A quorum is present.

3. Review Agenda/Additions – DNS proposal to be added under new business

4. Review and approval of minutes April 24, 2019
   Motion to approve the April 24th, 2019 minutes
   M/S/A: Beat/Dan/unanimous

5. US Ski and Snowboard Program Update – Chip Knight
   Thank you to Bill, Angie, Pick and Prado for their work for the Western Region this year. Busy year with rolling out P26 model. Good communication between clubs and staff. Looking to integrate staff with the regional programming. Great year at World Juniors, excellent results and a great bench mark.

   Areas of Focus:
   A. speed development projects: DH in Copper very well received; DH back into US Nationals in Spring and looking to build on that going forward.
   Regional level speed development, Big Sky WR project is a great model
   B. FIS age level athletes to Europe
   C. Parallel: events came off well at U16 Nationals and NorAm. Kids enjoy the events. FIS is going this direction and further info coming down from FIS; NorAm level will calendar three in 2020.
   D. Communication continues as a work in progress: project page, newsletters from each Region every month.
   E. Doubling down on SkillsQuest fitness program. Athletes will need to meet a minimum requirement to be named to D team, etc. Calin Butterfield is the contact for obtaining the test results and google
doc for inputting results.
Chip is around all week and available for discussion.
F. Discussion items from the room:
U19 NPS ladies’ proposal – isolating key point level opportunities to help cut down travel and points chasing. Addresses the emotional level for the athletes getting together.
Discussion about viewing the data for the proposals so that coaches understand where they are coming from. Is there a way to dive deeper into the data, start a program to review the data and sharing opportunity via a Task force/Working group?
New FIS points tracking and world rank discussion, changing the relative number.

6. Western Region Program Update – Bill’s report will be available on the WR website and the FTP congress site.

Bill would like to thank Tim for stepping up as the WR ACC Chair for the next three years. Thanked Gwynn for her years of service. Thank you to Angie for jumping in and providing great guidance and work this season. Thanks to divisional managers and coaches in the field for a great season.

7. Membership – Sheryl Barnes: “We cannot put a price on athlete safety”
Presentation will be sent out.
Sheryl, Jimmy, Morgan, Matt and Tom membership presentation
Athlete Safety: Tom Webb presented the importance of athlete safety policies and that they will continue to change, example: communications with athletes must be ccd to another person, no one-on-one conversations via text/email/etc.
Membership changes:
-non-scored athlete (14-24), this is a name change only
-general and short term are restricted to 17 and under due to background and safesport
-short term foreign: not available online and restricted to 18 & over
-U10/U12 category combined
-adaptive athlete membership has returned
-Masters: 2 categories: one with background and safesport; one without background and safesport (forerunning and masters racing only)
-coach membership: 18 and over, safesport, background screening, coaching fundamentals course

Any athlete that is 17 turning 18 can complete safesport training anytime before their 18th birthday. 18 year old athletes have 10 days to register for their background screening, then become ineligible outside that time. Background screenings can take 24 hours to a few weeks. Review of the public tools section of the website, very clear and concise

Membership key communication: all coaches of U.S. Ski & Snowboard clubs must be registered with a minimum of volunteer level (triggers background and safesport). All staff and board members of member clubs are required to have a minimum of volunteer membership. Background screening every other year, safesport training every year. U.S. Ski & Snowboard has been taking on the cost of background checks since ’06-07, last membership increase was ’12-13.

8. Coaches Education – Gar Trayner, no report available

10. WR Committee Reports and Proposals
   10.1. Executive Committee Report – Tim Hinderman, no report available at this time
   10.2. Treasurer Report (attached) – Troy
Region ran status quo, main income from head tax. This is a tough time to run a report, much clearer around July1st. Lots of income and expense at this time of the year.
Goal is to have one-year coverage in the savings account, prediction is three years out.
Welcome and thank you to Angie for her work, continuing Gwynn’s efforts.
2019 budget – paid required items and then circled around for excess and deficient project/line items. Angie has a great timeline for each project to reconcile and finalize with project leaders, too. The WR Investment fund balance as of April 30, 2019 is $52,152.62
10.3. Site Selection Committee – Bill reported on the review of the bids for the 2020 season. Able to put together December and March. Jan and Feb still up in the air due to the NorAm Calendar continuing to flex. Once finalized, it will help. December blocks: Mammoth: 2SL/2GS and Jackson 3SL Discussion from the committee about how much needing to race in December, especially with the NPS and the NorAm calendar. Bill will wrap back with the committee about creating one series of 3SL and 2GS Speed series calendar discussion, trying to compliment Kimberly U16 Jr Champs at Schweitzer, U14 Jr Champs at Mammoth, WR JR Champs at Jackson WR Calendar Doc link, check back often: https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1gwKrjd0KKpHb-nXNmLwa92BM4DDaxux8-E1q5Bwh8L4/edit#gid=166125608

10.4. Development Committee – no report until after a new Vice Chair is in place

11. National Committee Reports

11.1. Officials Update – Roger Root
New requirements and enforcement, time to continue recruiting officials
Clean up work on each division AO rosters
Goals: to use the U.S. Ski & Snowboard online registration: coaches roster download includes certifications, last update, have to be current in order to reg, etc.
Send out simple survey to ref/assist ref/TD and WR FIS events asking some open ended questions of what we are doing well, what to improve, etc.

11.2. U16 and Older Working Group – Pete Korfiatis
Many proposals to review at their upcoming meeting
Old business: combo FIS/Nat DH, ski down
New business: cost of the sport, Continental Cup rule 7, seeding at U16 Nationals, Points cut off for levels of FIS racing, limitation of FIS starts

Proposals coming forward: Low cost for U12 racing, ski numbers and fluro wax, lift ticket cost.

11.4. Club Development Working Group – Tami Strong
Met this morning, updates from the Alpine Club Development Group and from Gar in Coaches Education. Moving forward will be a Club Development handbook.

11.5. Coaches Education Working Group – Scott McGrew
So much has been pushed to National, blended learning models.
Fast Start is now Coaches Fundamentals which is a building block to level 100
Discussion about mentorship opportunities. Social media opportunity to collaborate (hive).

11.6. Quotas and Selections – Beat Hupfer
Meeting is on Thursday 10:30 – 12. 4 quota items on the agenda, mostly housekeeping

11.7. Regional Subcommittee – Craig Krueger had to depart for the ASC exec meeting

12. Project updates

Whistler Cup update, Troy Price – Kevin Keene and Jim Hudson were on the coaching staff. All five divisions were represented from the athletes. Top 6 boys accepted and attended, Top 5 girls and 1st alternate attended. Spider webs back to the division via the athletes, coaches and families. WR won the National U14 overall.

13. Old Business

13.1. U19 Championships Proposal – review (no discussion)

13.2. WR Jr Championships (no discussion)

13.3. Alan Hayes Cup (action item for new Vice Chair) - update during the August Call
13.4. PG Team update – will be in Bill’s report that will be in the FTP site and WR website; team will be managed by the WR Coach. Winter Training will move around the Region.

14. New Business:

14.1. Stop The Bleed: meeting available Wednesday at 3 pm at the COE

14.2. Divisional Head Tax Language and refund policy

**Motion:** Entry fee for U16 and U14 Junior Championships

The maximum entry fee for the Western Region U16 and U14 Jr Championships is $40 per SL and GS start, and $44 per SG start. Divisions do not collect a Head Tax when hosting the U16 and U14 Jr Championships.

**M/S/A: Natalie Osborne/Dan Henry/Unanimous**

14.3. TD Expense Reimbursement language – tabled to the August meeting

14.4. Regional Subcommittee confirming seat – Tim Hinderman

14.5. ASC Nominee – John Buchar

14.6. Quotas and selections – Will Brandenburg

**Motion** to approve 14.4, 14.5 and 14.6.

**M/S/A: Lex Patten/Troy Price/Unanimous**

14.7. DNS language:

**Motion** to update the language in the Entry Fees for WR FIS, WR Elite FIS Races, WR Jr Championships:

Organizer will be obligated to refund entries only in the case of injury and illness. In the event that an athlete is sick or is hurt on the day of the race, the athlete’s coach must communicate this to the race organizer, prior to race start, in order to get a refund if the athlete is a DNS.

**M/S/A: Gordon Perry/Lex Patten/Unanimous**

15. Election of Officers

15.1. Motion: Vice Chair nomination of Dan Henry

**M/S/A: Roger Root/Gordon Perry/Unanimous**

16. Meeting Schedule- August Call, date TBD

17. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn

**M/S/A: Troy Price/Mike Ginsberg/Unanimous**
Alpine Executive Committee

Ivers, DoubleTree Hotel, 1800 Park Avenue, Park City, UT

Tuesday, May 14, 2019, 2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Minutes

Closed Meeting

Meeting Chair: Darryl Landstrom

Alpine Executive Committee

Paul Van Slyke, Lake Placid, NY (Vice Chair and FIS Subcommittee Chair) – present
Karen Ghent, Edwards, CO (Development Subcommittee Chair) – present
Doug Hall, Maryland, NY (Technical Subcommittee Chair) – present
Jesse Hunt, Park City, UT (U.S. Ski & Snowboard Alpine Director) – present
Jess Kelley, Park City, UT (Athlete Representative) – present
Chip Knight, Park City, UT (Athlete and Alpine Athlete Rep to the BOD) – present
Craig Krueger, Helena, MT (Regional Subcommittee Chair/Western Region Representative) – present
Warner Nickerson, Tilton, NH (Athlete and Alpine Athlete Rep to the BOD) – present
Jon Nolting, Steamboat Springs, CO (Education Subcommittee Chair) – present
Bill Slattery, Buffalo Grove, IL (Immediate Past Chair) – excused
Andrew Weibrecht – present via phone

Guests: Breezy Johnson, Luke Bodensteiner, Darlene Nolting, Jeff Weinman

1. Welcome and Call to Order
2. Roll Call and a quorum is present.
3. Review of Approval of Agenda
   3.1. Motion: Paul Van Slyke; Second: Doug Hall; Motion carried
4. Review and Approval of October 12, 2018 ASC CC Minutes
   4.1. Motion: Doug Hall; Second: Craig Krueger; Motion carried
5. Review of 2019 U.S. Ski & Snowboard Congress Meeting Schedule
   5.1. SC and WG procedures and assignments of minutes
   5.2. Please ensure you assign someone to take minutes for your committee. Minutes are due by 6PM on Thursday.
6. Staff Reports
   6.1. Alpine Director – Jesse Hunt
       Mikaela Shiffrin with a record season
       Four medals at World Championships
       Six athletes moving up into the C Team and higher for the coming season
       Winning at every level is what is driving our programming
       Really good season athletically
       Athlete funding was a real challenge this past year and for the coming season (19/20)
       athletes C team and higher will receive full funding.
       Key Partnerships with Copper, Mammoth, Squaw and Folgaria
   6.2. Alpine Development Director – Chip Knight
Great results at World Juniors - 4 medals and 14 top 10 results. Third at World Juniors in the Holder Cup this past season.

Project-based D Team was in place this past season. We need to keep looking at the long-term focus of this system. We are working a lot with younger athletes and it will take a while for them to develop. A little bit of focus on speed this past year with the National DH in March and a U19 DH project in Copper in December. FIS level athlete project to Europe this past season. Parallel has been a focus this past season. It is a lot of fun and the athletes really enjoy these races. FIS will continue with Alpine Combined and Parallel. Communication - project announcements have been posted on the website and D Team webinar after all projects; Regional Newsletters. Conditioning focus moving forward. SkillsQuest Fitness. Athletes need to meet an overall score to be on the D Team, World Junior and NDG teams.

7. ASC Reports
   7.1. BOD – Landstrom
       7.1.1. Engaged in the Athlete Project study
       7.1.2. Sarah Lewis from FIS presented at the last BOD meeting in Park City
       7.1.3. Kipp Nelson will be the new BOD Chairman following the BOD meeting Sat.
   7.2. Alpine Awards/Judicial/Nominating Committees - Slattery
       7.2.1. More engagement and nominations than in the past.
       7.2.2. No outstanding items to report from Judicial.
       7.2.3. One re-election - Karen Korfanta in the At-Large position, Karen agrees to remain in the position.
       7.2.4. Breezy Johnson to replace Stefan Hughes as the athlete rep on the ASC and be the alternate athlete position on the BOD which would allow Breezy to vote in Warner's place when he can't attend meetings. Breezy is a current USST member.
   7.3. Education Subcommittee - Nolting
       7.3.1. No specific issues to address
       7.3.2. Discussion moving forward is to require coach certification for coaches to coach, set courses and referee at certain level races. The goal would be to have this in place for 2022.
       7.3.3. Coaching Fundamentals course will replace the Fast Start for coaches next season
   7.4. Development Subcommittee - Ghent
       7.4.1. A lot of discussions regarding the cost of the sport.
       7.4.2. Parallel Discussion – task force update
       7.4.3. U14 and under has been very active this past year regarding sharing of resources - video and best practices
       7.4.4. Stop the Bleed discussions
       7.4.5. Better coordination and collaboration between the regions this past season.
       7.4.6. NorAm level racing - we need to do more development work on the women's side. There is not a lot of depth at this level.
7.4.7. Course setting - we need to encourage our course setters to be variable and challenging with their course sets. Objective is to get more female course setters engaged.

7.5. FIS Subcommittee - Van Slyke
7.5.1. One TD candidate being considered
7.5.2. Course setting homologation - Utilizing level 3 and FIS TD’s to help with the re-certification of many of the hills that are due for re-homologation that haven’t changed much in the last 10 years.
7.5.3. Application deadline will be moved up a year so there can be on-snow inspections during the season before. This will be a culture of change.
7.5.4. The only thing in rules is the parallel. We should probably table discussion until we see what comes out of the FIS Committees.
7.5.5. Paul would like to promote a proposal from Alpine Executive to be moved forward as follows 1. Recommendation from the sport committee have Stop the Bleed Kits in the start kit. This information should be part of the Medical plan presented at TCM’s. 2. Ski Patrol be at the start. 3. Avalanche conditions be reported at the TCM.

7.6. Alpine Technical Subcommittee - Hall
7.6.1. Elections will take place in each of the working groups
7.6.2. Classification Working Group needs more support from the Alpine Subcommittee on how they deal with exceptional races
7.6.3. Non-member coaches on the hill - how do we deal with this?
7.6.4. Dealing with events that were held on non-homologated hills.

7.7. Regional Subcommittee - Krueger
7.7.1. Appreciated the Regional Newsletters
7.7.2. Tim Hinderman is the new Western Region Chair and will sit on the ASC. John Buchar is also new to the ASC from the Western Region.

7.8. Athletes - Nickerson
7.8.1. Athlete funding is a huge step forward. Thank you for everything
7.8.2. Athlete liaison has been helpful with getting direct access to Luke
7.8.3. The Athlete Project study has been awesome - looking at two things - revenue and athlete experience. Very excited for the work being done with this and how it will really help the culture of the team.

8. Old Business
8.1. SafeSport - Landstrom
8.2. Precisions - Knight

9. New Business
9.1. Membership Fees - Landstrom
9.1.1. Memberships are increasing this year mostly due the increase costs of Safesport and increased background screening.
9.2. Alpine Awards update - Slattery
9.3. Elections - review SC/WG’s
9.3.1. Classification WG - Hall
9.4. Action items - as received as of midnight April 29
9.4.1. Alpine Masters (ASC)
9.4.2. Children’s Championships Pricing Proposal (ASC)
9.4.3. Intent to Compete Deadline (Development)
9.4.4. Parallel (Development)
9.4.5. Injury Protection (Classification)
9.4.6. NorAm Course Setter Registration (Discussion, received late - Development)
9.4.7. NorAm Quota (Quotas and Selections and U16 and Older)
9.4.8. Pocket Guide (Education)
9.4.9. U12 Lower Cost (U14 and younger)
9.4.10. U16 NC Seeding (U16 and older)
9.4.11. U16 NPS (U16 and older, Quotas and Selections)
9.4.12. U19 National Championships (U16 and Older)
9.4.13. U19 NPS - addition of women to the series (U16 and older)
9.4.14. US Nationals Quotas (Quotas and Selections)
9.4.15. USST Selections Announcement (Discussion, received late, Development)
9.4.16. US TD Daily Announcement (TD Working Group and Technical)
9.4.17. Course Setting Specification for 2020 (ASC)
9.4.18. RC U16 Junior Championships Seeding (RC)
9.4.19. RC U14 CanAm Participation (RC)

10. Discussion - open issues
10.1. Two scored technical races in one day – to request ASC approval
10.2. Combined FIS/NAT Speed events - Eliminate the requirement of only two per region.
10.3. Exceptional races - Classification identified 4 events, 2 are repeat from 2018-19
10.4. Sun Valley homologation - what is the best way to police this situation - the TD and/or Jury hadn’t looked at the homologation report.
10.5. Non-members in race arena - what is the best way to police this situation?

11. Next Meeting - 7:30 AM Friday, May 17 - Summit B

12. Adjournment

12.1. Motion: Craig Krueger; Second: John Nolting; Motion carried
Alpine Sport Committee

Summit C, DoubleTree Hotel, 1800 Park Avenue, Park City, UT 84060

Tuesday, May 14, 2019, 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Minutes

Meeting Chair: Darryl Landstrom

Alpine Sport Committee

Darryl Landstrom, Wayzata, MN (Chair and Alpine BOD Representative) – present
Paul Van Slyke, Lake Placid, NY (Vice Chair and FIS Subcommittee Chair) – present
Mike Bowman, Winter Park, CO (Rocky Central Region Representative) – present
Karen Ghent, Edwards, CO (Development Subcommittee Chair) – present
Doug Hall, Maryland, NY (Technical Subcommittee Chair) – present
Tim Hinderman, Whitefish, MT (Western Region Representative) – present
John Buchar, Park City, UT (Western Region Representative) – present
Stefan Hughes, Boulder, CO (Athlete Representative) – present
Jesse Hunt, Park City, UT (U.S. Ski & Snowboard Alpine Director) – present
Beat Hupfer, Mammoth Lakes, CA (At-Large) – present
Jess Kelley, Park City, UT (Athlete Representative) – present
Chip Knight, Park City, UT (U.S. Ski & Snowboard Alpine Development Director) – present
Karen Korfanta, Heber, UT (At-Large) – present
Craig Krueger, Helena, MT (Regional Subcommittee Chair/Western Region Representative) – present
Dan Marshall, Manchester, NH (Eastern Region Representative) – present
Warner Nickerson, Tilton, NH (Athlete and Alpine Athlete Rep to the BOD) – present
Jon Nolting, Steamboat Springs, CO (Education Subcommittee Chair) – present
Joe Paul, Bloomington, MN (Rocky/Central Region Representative) – present
Bill Slattery, Buffalo Grove, IL (Immediate Past Chair) – present
Tao Smith, Killington, VT (Eastern Region Representative) – present
Andrew Weibrecht, Lake Placid, NY (Athlete Representative) – present

U.S. Ski & Snowboard Staff

Tiger Shaw, Park City, UT (President/CEO)
Darlene Nolting, Steamboat Springs, CO (Rocky/Central Regional Director)
Bill Gunesch, Government Camp, OR (Western Regional Director)
Sam Damon, Campton, NH (Eastern Regional Director)
Angie Brown, Park City, UT (National Domestic Manager)

Honorary (non-voting)

Tom Winters, Tucson, AZ – excused

AGENDA

1. Welcome and call to order – 4:45pm
   Introduction of Kipp Nelson, new BOD Chair and Welcome from Tiger Shaw

2. Review of Committee Membership and Roll Call
   2.1. A quorum is present.

3. Review and Approval of the Agenda
   3.1. Motion: Mike Bowman; Second: Beat Hupfer; Motion carried

4. Review and Approval of the October 12, 2018 ASC CC Minutes
4.1. Motion: John Nolting; Second: Joe Paul; Motion carried

5. Review 2019 U.S. Ski & Snowboard Meeting Schedule
   5.1. Minutes for SCs and WGs to be submitted between 6-10PM Thursday, May 16
   5.2. Proposals due by 6 pm, May 16 for review by the ASCEC Friday morning, May 17

6. Staff Reports
   6.1. SafeSport and Membership – Sheryl Barnes and Tom Webb
       SafeSport – we as an NGB need to create an environment for athletes to compete free of bullying, hazing and harassment. Staff is adapting to a moving and changing environment, so please be understanding.
       Membership – Changing categories, please see membership presentation slides on FTP site: General 17 & under / Coaches membership / Alpine Membership
       Discussion: SafeSport costs have been absorbed by the U.S. Ski & Snowboard since inception. There has been no membership increase since 2013. Athletes who are turning 18 in competition season must complete SafeSport training & background check. Athletes age 17 can complete both prior with parent consent. Core SafeSport course must be taken once and takes about 90min; refresher course takes 15-20min and must be taken every season. New Public Tools will be online soon. Incomplete or Pending membership status IS NOT ELIGIBLE. Background screening can take between 24hr and several weeks – DO IT NOW. All club coaches must have a minimum of a volunteer membership to trigger SafeSport training & background check. We cannot put a price tag on athlete safety, it’s the right thing to do.
   6.2. Alpine Director – Jesse Hunt
       12 months back in this role / Great winter / 4 key things we’ve been focusing on:
       1. Creating a positive team culture
       2. Athlete travel funding contribution
       3. Development
       4. Feedback loops for coaches/staff and athletes
       Also implementing cohesion agreements among the teams Men had a team building camp in Tahoe. Women have a consultant to work on communication. Winning at every level & athlete management. We have closed the athlete funding gap: A, B, and C teams are fully funded including flights. Technical & tactical statements. Training partnership in Folgaria / Trentino, ITA.
       Highlights: Mikaela / WJC medals / New athletes scoring WC points
       Women’s Staff org chart / Men’s staff / Women’s Nomination / Men’s Nomination / Prep period plan / Comp period plan / Pre-Olympic training block in China / Folgaria training block / See presentation slides on FTP site
   6.3. Alpine Development Director – Chip Knight
       Full report at Development Committee meeting / 3rd in Hodler Cup and 4 medals, including Team Event at WJSC / Project 26 rollout with Sasha Rearick & Marjan Cernigoj / Depth of performance is flat looking at the data, but we’re aiming for results over the long-term and hope to see progress within 3-5 years
   6.4. Alpine Regional Directors
       6.4.1. Eastern Region– Sam Damon
            4 new staff – good job / good partners / set goals and met some / won 2 of 3 regions cups / Attendance at FIS races up 15% with Ski Reg
            Strengths: membership numbers / Weaknesses: Need higher % of top performers. Looking for greater collaboration. Need common methodology with
coaches education and club excellence. Full transparency on selections / Communication / Looking at how to improve value proposition

6.4.2. Rocky Central Region– Darlene Nolting
Performance: 75% of USA men’s Top-10 AWRs but 0% of USA women’s Top-10 AWRs / Strengths: great culture & atmosphere among coaches / Partnership with venues that host great events / Weakness: calendar did not provide good opportunities for new FIS athletes

6.4.3. Western Region – Bill Gunesch
Highlights – New staff / ACC President & Vice Chair stepped down
Lost races due to weather & record amounts of snow in CA / 40 M&W FIS races – lost 5M & 6W races
Regional project-based programming starting at U14 – FIS: 5 projects, U16: 4 projects , U14: 1 project; 156 athletes attending projects
Performance: 7 juniors to nationals / 4 B/C athletes renamed & 3 new M & W to D team; Daniel Ferucci (AK) won U14 Whistler Cup GS; Justin Bigatel won U16 Pokal Local GS
Strengths – resorts & big mountains; collaboration among divisions; length of season; Flight School at Mammoth
Weaknesses – large geographical area with only 20% of FIS juniors; early season weather; ROCs & venues; prep period; cost of sport; losing high school graduates who are moving to other regions
Season 2020: developing West Team PG program (men only) – 4-5 athletes who are NorAm focused to stay in region
Attended 10 divisional meetings & 10 competitions; drove 15,000 miles
Darryl – thanks for newsletters – very informative

7. ASC Reports
7.1. Board of Directors – Darryl Landstrom
Kipp – New chairmen; Dexter still on FIS Council; Sarah Lewis made presentation at last BOD Meeting; increased focus on Funding Athletes

7.2. Awards/Judicial/Nominating Committees – Bill Slattery
Jeff Weinman – Nomination went very well even from athletes. Darryl – tough process and thank you for those who nominated. Paul – No judicial issues. Darryl – Karen Korfanta has been nominated to continue as ASC AL member

7.3. Alpine Education Subcommittee – Jon Nolting
Working Group already met / thanks to Ellen Adams / no action items
Coaches Ed meeting tomorrow / proposal to require coach certification / Gar will chair

7.4. Alpine Development Subcommittee – Karen Ghent
Karen – active working groups over last summer and winter / Parallel Task Force put together new rules / U12 Task Force focused on children’s development issues / Ongoing Stop the Bleed discussion / Much observation & discussion around cost of the sport

7.5. FIS Subcommittee – Paul Van Slyke
Paul – Recognized the Subcommittee and members of its working groups
Doug Hall - Homologation help: Level 3 TD's can help with on snow inspections while you are on the event to re-certify & write a short report to reduce the need for additional onsite inspection / Ski areas should apply one year in advance

7.6. Alpine Technical Subcommittee – Doug Hall
Working Groups will have elections

7.7. Alpine Regional Subcommittee – Craig Krueger
Craig – Thanked SC members: 2 each region, 1 masters, 1 collegiate. Love the newsletters – Sam/Darlene/Bill thanks – let us know if you are not getting them

7.8. Athletes – Warner Nickerson
Warner – thank you for the funding: Athletes Council (6 athletes): focus on culture/communication/funding; athlete team liaisons, Breezy is great addition. Athlete Project study to increase revenue and improve the athlete experience – 5 meetings/72 interviews (athletes/current/staff/foundation). We talked about the perception of U.S. Ski & Snowboard only caring about podiums, but this new approach is exciting for athletes. Another Proposal is to lower the cost of the sport at U12 & below: 1. One pair of skis for each discipline 2. No fluorinated wax 3. No speed suits.

8. Old Business

8.1. Chip Knight – Precisions Reports required for distribution to the SC’s & WG’s: document in Comp guide or remove exception. We would like to hear reports of Parallel Events run throughout the US.

8.2. NASTAR Integrated Scoring Pilot Report – Bill Madsen
Bill – RCS & Tommy Ford – making the connection to the US Ski Team / Tahoe Cup & RMD races / Race administration via NASTAR network / NASTAR numbers are up slightly due to weather issues

8.3. Exceptional Races – identification and process protocol – Paul Mahre
Darryl – Exceptional races and the review process; Paul Mahre – general overall / FIS race points from 1975 / 1984 system

8.3.1. Showed charts of several races and their race results
8.3.2. Exceptional races clearly show pace athletes not racing to their points
8.3.3. 3 parameters are measured to flag an exceptional race
8.3.4. We have been averaging 4 races for the past 4 years
8.3.5. Recommendations: have 10+ pace skiers; have pace skiers that are close in level to the rest of the field; have quicker follow-up after an early-season event; involve the Chief of Race and TD

9. New Business

9.1. Stop the Bleed Incident and Plan Review – Kelly Brush Foundation
Kelly and Zeke just had a baby and send their regards. Safety grants are due June 30; Applications at www.kellybrushfoundation.org. 650 bleed kits delivered / Training class tomorrow at COE / Looking into cut-resistant clothing

9.2. Venue Safety - Paul Van Slyke
Recommendation for start referees to have medical kits / avalanche reports as part of TC meetings

10. Next Meeting – 11AM Friday, May 17 in Summit B

11. Recess: Motion: Paul Van Slyke; Second: Doug Hall; Motion carried (Adjourned 7pm)
Alpine Officials Education

Summit B, Double Tree Hotel, 1800 Park Avenue, Park City, UT

Tuesday, May 14, 2019, 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Minutes

Lucy Schram, Chair
Past Chair: Thelma Hoessler

Eastern Region: At Large:
Michael Browne Matt Howard
Jill Firstbrook Laura Sullivan (Vice Chair)
Mike Cossman
Dan Chayes Emeritus: Allen Church

Rocky Central Region:
Ester Delli Quadri
Grant Lindemer
Gretchen Ransom
Karen Ghent (Absent, excused)

Western Region:
Jordan Stone (Absent, excused)
Roger Root
Steve Schowengerdt
Brian Hartman

Staff: Jeff Weinman, JJ Ehlers, Sheryl Barnes, Matt Lemon, Jennie Wright, Morgan Wolfer


1. Call Meeting to order
   Meeting called to order 8:00 am

2. Roll call and review of committee membership
   A quorum is present.

3. Review and approval of Agenda
   Motion: To approve agenda with additions of items 9.3 through 9.8
   M/S/C Dan Chayes/Ester Delli Quadri/ Unanimous

4. Review and approval of minutes May 2, 2018
   Motion: To accept Minutes of May 2, 2018 as distributed by Working Group Chair
   M/S/C Dan Chayes/Matt Howard/ Unanimous

5. Reports
   5.1 Chair report is available on the U.S Ski & Snowboard Congress FTP site

   5.2 Region and Division Reports
   5.2.1 Eastern Division (Jill Firstbrook): Thanks to Chuck Schweitzer, NYSSRA and Ken Corrock, MARA for their service as the AO Division Chairs; The Kelly Brush Foundation supported several initiatives: An on-snow “Protection Education” clinic with Ted Sutton, the “Ski Racing Safety Seminar” with Paul VanSlyke and upon request, provided control kits for the “Stop the Bleed” program. New education projects: summer TD tutorial, CC/CR on hill mentoring and beta test online update prep for clinics. Packet reviewers from each
Division will need to be identified and submitted to the Chair by time 2020 materials are released.

5.2.2 Rocky/ Central Region (Ester DelliQuadri/Grant Lindemer) The Region reports 718 current AO members, 498 certified; Charlie Burnham is retiring, successor is being trained. Successful “Chief of Course” on snow/ classroom clinic/testing led by Ron Rupert at Copper Mt. “Recognition Program” will be implemented to identify and reward levels achieved by officials with schwag. Risks reviewed with more clubs hiring individuals/ companies for events. Race packets reflected fewer errors with scored events, but non-scored events need more work. Continue with expanding satellite clinics, on snow education and mentoring.

5.2.3 Western Region (Roger Root): Progress but continued concerns with officials not current. Course setters and referees are tracked to ensure current and appropriate officials are used; an initiative to collect feedback via a simple survey on what is working, what needs improvement, ways to improve via the TD’s at WR FIS events. Continued success with TD round table discussion: new, three day on snow clinic at Crystal Mt, participants rotated through AO positions. Race packet review reflect areas of improvement, continue work critical documents; minutes of team captain meeting, program and medical plan.

5.3. Staff

5.3.1. Competition Services (Jeff Weinman, JJ Ehlers): clarification on what data is captured for U.S. Ski & Snowboard officials with the various software at National vs FIS events. Split second now tracks course setters.

5.3.2. Membership (Sheryl Barnes and Jennie Wright); Membership fees increase as SafeSport training and background screening requirements become more stringent, US Ski & Snowboard has consumed these fees since 2006. Background screening every two seasons and SafeSport every year. General & short-term memberships are restricted to those 17 and under; Non-Scored Athlete replaces Non-Scored Student; Short Term Foreign restricted to 18 and over and not available online; Combined U10 & U12 competitor category; Adaptive athlete membership returns; 2 Alpine Master categories one with SafeSport and background and the second does not include the screenings.

5.3.3. Safe Sport Requirements 2020 Season (Sheryl Barnes and Jennie Wright) “We cannot put a cost on athlete safety”. Members on pending status are not eligible to participate in U.S. Ski & Snowboard events until requirements are met. All U.S. Ski & Snowboard club coaches, staff and board members are required to hold a membership at the Volunteer level or higher to ensure SafeSport training and background screening. Anyone 18 and older is required to take background screening, including athletes. Athletes 17, turning 18 in the season will be required to complete SafeSport training by their 18th birthday and have approx. 10 days from their 18th birthday to start their background check. How athletes will be placed on ‘pending’ status will be communicated in the near future. Individual screening times will vary. Foreign screenings may take a month or more.

5.3.4. Additional staff reports - none

6. Old business

6.1. Education materials

6.1.1. 2020 Release date:
Timeline of Education Material prep:
May/June: focus on update of documents from Congress and FIS Congress
July to the first week of August: review of education materials by key individuals.
Important to communicate if anyone assigned to a review is unable to complete the work.
August to mid-September: updates from reviewers applied, materials checked by legal. October: release of materials after the FIS Fall Meetings. Best practice has been to work within this timeline and avoid the complications created by materials being retracted and re-released. Dropbox invite: any educator that has access that is partaking in one specialty area exam during that season will need a separated drop box, notify the Chair. May 31 of each season: education materials on websites must be purged.

6.2. Proposals/changes/issues from prior seasons

6.2.1. Jury Minutes: “less is best” facts, not opinions. Powerpoint provides a quick and useful resource.

6.2.2. Travel Letters: Chip Knight maintains google doc site. Encourage programs and colleges to submit travel letters early to avoid problems. Entries need to have an attached travel letter or be posted on the travel letter google doc. Important to not deny access to an athlete without reaching out to Jeff Weinman or Chip first. Travel letters not valid for NorAms, World Cup and National Championships, Junior and Senior.

6.2.3. Electronic packet submittal and review: Confirmation of reviewers for 2019-2020 season: Chair requests to identify and submit the names of individuals who are reviewing packets by October release date of education materials. Need to confirm log in and access is available to these individuals.

6.2.4. Youth coach and official membership and certification requirement: Important reminder to document who is signing for these youth coaches. Ticket Sign out tracking: Continue to check each ticket in the administration process of handing out tickets. ‘Block’ tickets do not track accurately. Roger Root presented how the US event online registration for coaches works, roster download includes their certification level and last update.

6.2.5. Sub-standard events: Is being addressed through packet review and divisional/regional initiatives.

6.2.6. Study guide purpose: Reminder the purpose of the study guide, a tool and resource in preparing for specialty area clinics and exams. The power points will not necessarily follow the study guide as they are an enhancement to the study guide and course.

6.2.7. Integrity of teaching materials: reminder that the materials cannot be altered and or changed! Please send suggestions, comments on the materials to the chair; do not alter.

6.2.8. Skills Quest – sanctioned SQ submission includes: roster/SQ scoring sheet with US ID and full name, program and team captains minutes, jury minutes, and any injury reports.

7. New business

7.1. On Snow Chief of Course: Recap success and details of Copper Clinic; morning classroom presentation, on-hill afternoon session, and testing in late afternoon. Clinic was scheduled in November, no attendance cap. PNSA conducted a three day on hill TD Clinic where each attendee rotates through various positions. Eastern Region looking to execute CC/CR on hill in early December. Discussion on how to video document items from these on hill clinics for further education sharing.

7.2. EET updates for 19-20 materials: working with members of the TWG to update the EET language as published in the FIS timing book.

7.3. Reasonable amount of time for updating Officials with U.S. Ski & Snowboard: submitted to Jeff Weinman as soon it is possible. Helps with early season events to have current information.
7.4. Parallel: Parallel Check list document group created by Dan Chayes, Ken Gay and Matt Howard. Document will be available in the master packet of forms.

7.4.1. Program: parallel program updated throughout the season in the Master Packet of forms. Do not alter or delete information in the program.

7.4.2. Documentation: packet details are the same as any tech event.

7.4.3. Codex: codex for qualifier and codex for bracket round

7.5 Stop the Bleed: Alpine Executive Sport Committee recommendations: All OC’s amend medical plan to label inclusion of stop bleed kit in start referee pack; amend medical plan to include ski patrol physically at the start; and provide avalanche report in areas as needed.

8. Recommendations for advancement to AO Level 4.

MOTION: To accept advancements of Level 4 certifications as listed below

M/S/A: Esther Delli Quadri/ Mike Browne/Unanimous

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9. Discussion Items

9.1. Why do we have rules? Rules need to be followed for the integrity of event and protection. Coaches cannot decide to vote out rules at Team Captains' meetings.

9.2. Volunteer recruitment and mentorship: Volunteer coordinator as personal touch, AO advisory committee. Recognition program in RMSRO rewards AO advancement, retention and identification.

9.3. Level 4 advancement to include letters of recommendations and work history.

9.4. CO for non-trackable Positions: certification guidelines clerical update confirming the CO can be used to elevate those that participate as Head Gatejudge, hand timers, etc. List of work history and letters of recommendation are required to be submitted.


9.6. TD Stipend Proposal to the ASC: Proposal to compensate National Technical Delegates at the same rate as FIS Technical Delegates. $120. Discussion: working to reduce costs due to geographic area, brings quality AOEWG recommends to support the proposal M/S/A: Grant Lindemer/Dan Chayes/approved 10-1

9.7. Masters Course Setting proposal to the ASC: ( get this from the proposal_ increase SL Delay gate setting by 2m AOEWG recommends to support the proposal M/S/A: Grant Lindemer/ Ester Delli Quadri/unanimous

9.8 Course Working group:
   Doug Hall addressed the need to spread the word
   Homologation application out a year ahead of time, allows on snow reports from TD At event, reduces cost of inspector and time to expedite the process Enlist a key contact per division to identify expiring homologations.

10. Adjournment
    M/S/A: Matt Howard/Roger Root/Unanimous
Alpine Timing Working Group

Summit B, DoubleTree Hotel, 1800 Park Avenue, Park City, UT

Wednesday, May 15, 2019, 1:00 p.m. to 2:45 p.m.

Minutes

Meeting Chair: John Jett

1. Welcome and call to order at 13:05

2. Review of committee membership
   In attendance: John Jett, Dan Chayes, Stanley Goldschmidt, Tami Strong, Dave Waller, Matt Howard, Lucy Schram, Gretchen Ransom, John Jacobs
   Excused: Jake Treadwell, Ellen Hoffman
   Absent: Eric Millbrandt
   Emeritus: Allen Church
   Staff: Jeff Weinman

   2.1. A quorum is present.

3. Review and approval of agenda
   M/S: Tami Strong/John Jacobs; Motion carried

4. Review and approval of minutes
   M/S: Lucy Schram/Dan Chayes; Motion carried

5. Reports

   5.1. Chair – questions fielded over the season about HT watches resynch. Thank you and efforts applauded to Avital for sending out the timing reports for the season. No major blow up races this season.

   5.2. U.S. Ski & Snowboard staff – Jeff
   No report

   5.3. FIS representatives – Tami
   Manufactures are meeting in a few weeks. Cross Country timing book has many changes moving forward. Photo Finish remains mandatory for World Cup. Crans Montana data was sent to the FIS TWG and EET’s were completed to confirm times. There will be set up changes being made as a follow up. World Cup homologated hand timing hard wired into the finish building going forward. 16 EET’s incorrect, US was named as one of the nations completing incorrectly.

   5.4. TDTR Reviews

   5.5. Central – 197 races reviewed. No EET’s completed, 3 sets of timing equipment within the Region.

   5.6. Intermountain – Tami
   160 TDTR’s reviewed. Resort-specific issues, and easy to correct with feedback. 6 EET’s completed, EET calculations were not attached. Hands-on timing clinic was held early in the season at Snowbird. Timing forum set up for race organizers in IMD.

   5.7. Rocky – John Jett
   151 scored and Championship Non-Scored events, 221 non-scored events and plenty of others. Decrease in sync problems, no equipment issues, no missing data. 5 EET’s reported with a variety of methods being used, education process completed to update the TnC’s on the correct process. System B replacements are almost exact replacements.
Precision accuracy much better, sync plus one tolerance is much better. Variety of approaches to reporting dual events.

5.8. Far West – Lucy Schram
134 codes reviewed. Sync and rule errors are attributed to three specific TnC’s. Precision is the number one error. 5 EET’s completed this season and all were completed correctly. 3 from HT and 2 from B system, 3 from start and 2 from Finish TOD. Overall improvement in missing data, sync issues and zero equipment issues.

5.9. East – Matt Howard
Thank you to Avital for her work in sending TDTR’s, 1091 reports received. Percentages similar, sync problems are way down due to new rules. Precision problems increased this year as some areas are still learning to use new equipment. Received first blank signed TDTR this season, equipment was listed and that’s it. Very few EET’s were included in the reports, EET report not included.

5.10. PNSA – Roger Root
No report available, will be distributed via email.

5.11. Northern – Tami Strong
94 TDTR’s reviewed. Northern resort specific issues. 14 EET’s, one resort, times were from the B system. 4 events with no B system, and 5 with missing data.

5.12. Alaska – Lucy
44 codes were reviewed, 6 TnC’s in the Alaskan Division at two different venues. One EET completed from HT finish TOD. No rules, equipment or sync issues.

6. Old business

6.1. Timing form distribution – confirm emails
East – Matt Howard (easttdtr@gmail.com)
IMD and ND – Tami Strong (tami@sbsef.com)
FW and AK – Lucy Schram (lucy@fwsking.org)
Rocky – John Jett (rockytdtr@gmail.com)
Central – Jonathan Manderfield (manderfieldjonathan@gmail.com)

6.2. TDTR as PDF only (no excel)
Keep it in the master packet of forms as an option. Until a parser is available then pdf should still be available. No language changes necessary on the pdf TDTR.

6.3. Review timing equipment requirements for different race levels – no issues or further discussion.

6.4. Education materials updates for AOEWG
Reviewers for the 19-20 season: Reviews to be completed in July
EET Presentation and Timing Workshop – Tami and John
TnC courses: Matt Howard, Marty Besant (Lucy will check on this one), Jordan Stone
Final AO materials will not be released until after the Fall FIS Zurich meeting.

6.5. Review of Replacement time practices – TOD or Net Time
Education from TWG members has been positive as guidance during the season.

6.6. Fred Patton with Phoenix Sports – observations of timing buildings. Create a good environment for timing, not shacks. Start gate methodology reviewed. Start doors – rental program available. Start gates will become more of a pressing issue moving forward as Parallels gain traction. 6 gates that are currently homologated. At the FIS level homologated start gates will be required. At US Sanctioned events still need to be flexible: saloon doors, drop gate or start wands.

6.7. Start signals 613.4
Use of start clock does not replace voice command of starter. Discussion that it is important as athletes’ transition into using start clocks.
6.8. Dual timing working group – John Jett, Matt Howard, Tami Strong, Jake Treadwell nothing directed over the season, observation during this season on what is necessary to put on a parallel as far as set up goes. John Jacobs added to group. Action Item of TWG: This group will collaborate with the AO working group and Bill Gunesch's document on the check list of 'what is necessary to run a parallel'.

7. New business
   7.1. Parallel setups and TDTR - 6.8 above
   7.2. Jon Manderfield nomination
       M/S: Dave Waller/Dan Chayes; Motion carried

8. Elections
   8.1. Last election 2017, next election 2021 – no elections at this time

9. Adjournment
   M/S – Dan Chayes/Matt Howard; Motion carried
Alpine National TD Working Group

Summit B, Double Tree Hotel, 1800 Park Avenue, Park City, UT

Wednesday, May 15, 2019, 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Minutes

Meeting Chair: Chuck Hughes - present on phone
Acting Chair at meeting: Douglas Hall
Members Present:
  Rocky/Central: Gretchen Ransom
  East: Mike Cosman
  East: Mike Brown
  USSS staff member: Jeff Weinman
  Rocky Central: Esther DelliQuadri sitting in for Brad but without vote
Members Absent:
  Rocky Central: Brad Ghent, vice chair
  West: TBD
  West: Phil GilanFarr
  At Large: Jake Treadwell (W)
  At Large: Ronald Rupert (R/C)


1. Welcome and call to order: 3:15

2. Roll call and review of committee membership: With the assistance of Darryl Landstrom, chair of Alpine Sports Committee, it was determined that the working group has a quorum to conduct the meeting.

3. Review and approval of agenda: motion by (MB) Mike Browne, second by (SB) Mike Cosman, approved unanimously

4. Review and approval of minutes from May 2018: MB M. Cosman, SB G. Ransom, unanimous

5. Nominations of Vice Chair: Brad has requested someone else step into this role. It was decided to table this to give members more time to deliberate and a vote will be taken via email prior to Congress 2020.

6. Reports and action items:
   6.1. EasternReport: Generally no issues, lots of good educational opportunities
   6.2. Rocky/CentralReport: No serious items to bring forward, reported good events and educational opportunities
   6.3. WesternReport: No report

7. Old Business
   7.1. Re-homologation updates – Doug Hall
       Doug talked about need to have senior, level 3 and above, TDs help with evaluation of homologation safety plans while working as TD at the venue. The evaluators will report back to the Courses Working Group with site conditions, has anything changed, minimum security measures
being met, no new protection needed, etc. Information should be sent to Doug Hall as chair of the Courses Working Group, dohall880@gmail.com.

7.2. Ski Racing Safety / Kelly Brush Foundation update – Paul Van Slyke

Paul discussed the “Stop the Bleed” initiative. Stop the bleed campaign – had an injury at Whiteface – in the field tourniquet saved the young man’s life. Working to educate coaches and other officials on the need for training and preparedness.

Recommendation from the ASC Executive board to have ski patrol physically present at the start for all venues and that organizing committees amend their medical plans accordingly.

7.3. Action items from last spring

The homologation of gate panels and the fact that they cannot be altered due to wind was re-enforced again as this question continues to arise.

7.4. Classifications

7.4.1. Exceptional Races: The Classifications WG provided some methods to evaluate if a race might be flagged as exceptional that TDs can use while on site at an event. Doug will send this out to the WG and the WG will include this in TD refreshers coming up this fall.

8. New Business:

Expectations of the U.S. Ski & Snowboard TD Working Group are to mirror what is written in the Alpine Sport Committee Operating Procedures. Education, general review of TD performance, TD assignments and rules suggestions and interpretations

8.1. TD Activity Update and U.S. Ski & Snowboard Membership Numbers

The WG will identify a member from each region to review this past years reports and determine if the review is beneficial. M. Browne will do this for the Eastern Region, G. Ransom for the Rocky Central Region and Chuck will find someone from the Western Region.

8.2. Officials and Coaches verifying memberships

The importance of this due to Safe Sport was stressed.

8.3. Review of the gate panel rules regarding windy competitions

What is the status presently? Discussed earlier and educating TDs that alterations are not acceptable.

8.4. Verifying jury member and course setter membership and certification

8.5. Course safety requirements and responsibilities of the TD

Stressed the importance that TDs ensure that homologation safety plans are installed as the minimum acceptable protection and that the jury to add protection as deemed appropriate.

9. Chuck sent out a communication prior to congress to all TDs across the country asking for concerns or recommendations for education. The responses were summarized and shared with the group.

10. A proposal to increase the per diem amount for National TDs to be equivalent to that of the FIS TDs was submitted. This proposal was discussed at Alpine Officials Education WG and received approval. **Motion: M. Browne,; Second: M. Cosman, Approved** to move this to Alpine Technical Subcommittee.

11. True North Award — an election was held prior to Congress via email and the voting members of the WG approved Laurel Lasher as this year’s recipient. The award will be presented at the Chairman’s dinner.
10. Comments and Questions from Guests: None

11. Closed Session - MB M. Browne, SB M. Cosman, unanimous at 4:55

11.1. Advancements

   Move to level 4 TD:
   - West - Christopher Armstrong
   - East - Steve Howe and Kevin Nolan
   - IMD - Troy Price
   - RMD – Pete Dailey and Kristina Revello

   Move to level 3 TD:
   - East - Kip Blake and Curt Schramm

   **Motion: M. Browne; Second: M. Cosman; Motion carried**

11.2. Appointment of Race Review Committee - covered earlier

12. Adjournment

   **Motion: M. Browne, Second: M. Cosman, unanimous - adjourn 17:05**
Alpine Courses Working Group

Summit B, Doubletree, 1800 Park Avenue, Park City, UT

Wednesday, May 15, 2019, 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Minutes

Meeting Chair: Doug Hall

Alpine Courses Working Group

(Bold indicates present at meeting)
US Staff, Jeff Weinman, J.J. Ehlers

FIS Inspectors:
Brad Ghent, Edwards, CO - Rocky Central Region Coordinator
Paul Mahre, Usk, WA - West Region Coordinator
Douglas Hall, Maryland, NY - East Region Coordinator
Dan Chayes, Mercersburg, PA, East
Kurt Engel, Truckee, CA, West
Ellen Galbraith, Avon, CO, Rocky Central
Tom Johnston, Boulder, WY, Rocky Central
Paul Van Slyke, Lake Placid, NY, East

National Inspectors:
Ron Bonneau, Caldwell, ID, West
Michael Browne, South Burlington, VT, East
Jeffery Byrne, Lake Placid, NY, East
Stanley Goldschmidt, Park City, UT, West/East
John Jacobs, Queensbury, NY, East
Roger Kimball, Litchfield, CT, East
Jacob Treadwell, Midvale, UT, West
John Norton, Lake Placid, NY, East
Scott Young, Anchorage, AK, West


Guests: Ken Gay, Jay Moyer, Bill Dewey, Brewster McVicker

1. Welcome and call to order: 6:04

2. Roll call and review of committee membership: a quorum is present.

3. Review and approval of agenda: motion by (MB) J. Norton, second by (SB) J. Jacobs, approved unanimously

4. Review and approval of minutes from May 2018: MB P. Van Slyke, SB S. Young, unanimous

5. Reports and action items:
   5.1. FIS Congress - P. Van Slyke
       650 rules have been updated
       S Hemisphere homologation expiration effective June 1

   5.2. Venue Workshop - P. Van Slyke
Moved to Club Excellence – Better audience and participation

Sport Committee recommendations: Update Medical Plan – Stop the Bleed kits with Start Referee. Ski Patrol Person placed at the start. Avalanche-prone areas provide avalanche report at TCM.

It was noted that our homologation reports should note recommending ski patrol at the start.

5.3. Alpine Education - no update

5.4 National TDs - D. Hall, no items to bring forward

5.5 US Staff - J.J.
    5.5.1 Note which two course specs should be on certificate when more than two Start / Finish elevations are noted
    5.5.2 Coordinators provide prior report replacement detail with new report
    5.5.3 JJ noted the Google working doc designed for the group

5.6 Technical Advisors - P. Van Slyke, no items to bring forward

6. Old Business
    6.1 Reminded all that a GS and SL homologation on the same piste requires two separate reports
    6.2 The Powerpoint showing the eight requirements of a homologation report is still valid and we need to ensure consistency by following our agreed upon standards.

7. New Business:
    7.1 Brad Ghent will be doing less for personal reasons and we need to address helping him with his current responsibilities.
    7.2 Using “Eyes on the Hill” to assist inspectors with site inspections was approved by the ASC last fall and the process has been started during this past season.
    7.3 Requiring venues to submit applications a year sooner than in the past was approved by the ASC last fall. J.J. has sent out communication to all affected venues and we have been asking all to help spread the word. This process will not remove a year of validity but rather allow for on-snow inspections.
    7.4 With the communication to all divisions asking for assistance in making this new process successful, the current google doc listing expiring homologations will be communicated to all to assist in assigning senior TDs to expiring venues.
    7.5 Checklist for “Eyes on the Hill” will be developed by Dan Chayes - “What has Changed”
    7.6 Doug, Paul and Jeff had a meeting earlier today with our legal counsel where homologations were discussed. The basic take a way was that consistency with all reports is of extreme importance. Reports are legal documents. Lawyers look for deviations and inconsistencies. With the help of legal we will create some standard verbiage to be used within our reports. It is important for all to realize that the safety plan is a requirement and that it is the minimum protection allowing for the on site jury to request additional protect due to course set, snow conditions and weather. The ROC should have all the protection called for installed on the hill prior to the arrival of the TD.
    7.7 Finish Corral specifications are an important report element and need to be included. Just like the rest of the protection plan the coral dimensions are a minimum and can be increased by order of the jury.
    7.8 All venues shall have only one valid homologation per event. In other words, a venue may not have both a FIS and National homologation for the same event on the same piste. And the FIS homologation shall trump a National homologation.
7.9 The uphill capacity section of the report should also note the expected turn around time that it will take an athlete to reappear at the start for a re-run. This is the time it takes from the finish area to the lift, up the lift and back to the start.

7.10 The committee reviewed an actual report from the cover page through to the safety plan. During the review all of the requirements were discussed.

7.11 Some mapping web sites were shared with all:

ARC GIS – USGS – viewernationalmap.gov
CAL Fire – CAL TOPO caltopo.com

Motion to adjourn to closed session at 8:50PM, MB J. Norton, SB J. Jacobs; Motion carried

Three new candidates for inspectors in training were discussed and approved: Brian Hartman (West, Alaska, Mentor Young/Maher), Jay Moyer (R/C, Colorado, Mentor Galbraith), Travis Widger (East, New York, Mentor Norton)

It was agreed that all of the current inspectors in training require more experience so none were elevated to full inspectors.

A discussion regarding Phil Gilanfarr and his lack of participation both in our meetings as well as any assignments on the hill has led us to remove him as an inspector in training.

It was agreed that the mentors need to be more proactive with some of our inspectors in training.

12. Adjournment

MB D. Chayes, SB K. Engel, Motion carried - adjourn 9:35
Alpine Coaches' Education

Summit C, DoubleTree Hotel, 1800 Park Avenue, Park City, UT

Wednesday, May 15, 2019, 8:00 – 9:55 a.m.

Minutes

Meeting Chair: Gar Trayner/Stacey Gerrish

Attendance: Stacey Gerrish, Gar Trayner, Ron Kipp, Kathy Okoniewski, Caryn Jones, Chris Packert

Guests: Mike Bowman, Jesse Hunt, Terry DelliQuadri, Brian Krill, Roger Kimball, Tory Amorello, Brewster McVicker, Tim Hinderman, Don Stellin, Megan Harrod, Elise Saarela, Paul Van Slyke, John Morgan, Jim Hanson, Joe Freire, Josie Brownell, Lindsay Mann, Matt Dawson, Jim Tschabrun, Finn Gundersen, Willy Booker, Steve Berlack, Sue Schwartz, Gillian Esson, Jeremy Ueland, Aaron Hafley, Peter Stokloza, Dave Edry, Dan Marshall, Kristina ReveIllo, Jon Notling, Darryl Whitaker, Lester Keller, Gill Hearn, Anna Hosmer

1. Welcome and call to order - Gar Trayner

2. Roll call and a quorum is present

3. Committee Membership
   Since last meeting, Gar Trayner becomes a U.S. Ski & Snowboard staff member as Sport Ed Director.
   Nominate Vice Chair Stacey Gerrish to replace Gar Trayner as Chair of working group
   Motion: Gar Trayner; Second: Kathy Okoniewski; Motion carried
   Nominate Ron Kipp to replace Stacey Gerrish as vice chair of working group
   Motion: Stacey Gerrish; Second: Caryn Jones; Motion carried

4. Review and approval of agenda
   Motion: Kathy Okoniewski; Second: Ronn Kipp; Motion carried

5. Review and approval of minutes
   Motion: Kathy Okoniewski; Second: Ronn Kipp; Motion carried

6. Old business
   a. Discussion to include the alpine pocket guide as part of membership for U.S. Ski & Snowboard, would go to every member when they join for consistency. If the guide cannot be included as part of membership, that the guide be placed as a purchase option in membership. Put it online, so people can download it to their phone along with a printed version. Linked into Skillsquest.
   b. The overarching question is - How do we get the material out to the membership? Team USA mobile app platform, as asset bank for all coaches. Opportunity to centralize things. Have it as an add on when you sign up as a coach member. Would be for FY 21. There is a sense of urgency. Coaches can’t find it online.

   **Where is this guide now? **Why isn’t it already accessible to all coaches? **What do we need to do to make it more available?
   Discussion - Would online be available at no cost? This is the most significant and helpful resource available from education right now.

7. Reports
   Sport Education Director Report (Gar Trayner)
   9.1 Club Development:
- Two clubs have advanced from Silver to Gold; 9 new clubs achieved bronze; 5 more in process; 9 clubs achieved recertification. Anticipate 10-15 new clubs each year. By 2022 goal is to have 81 clubs certified. Only worry is having the capacity on administrative end to do this. We also have implemented club consultant services and looking to expand this and add consultants.
- Club Excellence conference has grown organically each year; 2019 largest group to date at 187 attendees.
- Regional Club Excellence Conferences - difficult to schedule those so we took a pause this year. We want to partner with regions/divisions to deliver conferences that work best with their schedules.
- Updating the club handbook.

9.2 Coaches Education
- Number of clinics - larger volume of opportunities of clinics more certification of coaches. We would like to be a lot more strategic on where we place our professional development opportunities. Working with regional staff and calendars to be more strategic on scheduling clinics.
- Holding strong 55-60% of coaches certified; 6,077 coaches in membership; 3,394 coaches are certified.
- Where is our opportunity to truly affect change? We have robust amount of content we are in a strong position to better service our athletes and coaches. We will look at the staff delivering the clinics and educational content. Develop them and culture will trickle down to create engagement.

9.3 Identifying Opportunities
- Create community of continual learning and engagement with current and relevant content. We need to change the culture so that coaches want to engage in educational opportunities and we need to provide opportunities for them to do so. Create a culture of continual learning.
- Create a glossary of terms on tech/tac side so we are all on the same page and we all sending similar message.
- Marketing and communications to engage with our constituents
- Content generation
- Moving towards full compliance of coach certification by Spring of 2022, we will have to increase our capacity by 25% per year until then.
- Revised pricing models across all disciplines so we are consistent
- Re-wording course descriptions - that encourages career development for continual improvement
- FastStart - Coaching Fundamentals course/modules - replaced FastStart with more relevant robust content - will reduce the online portion for the alpine level 100.
- Prioritized opportunities and identified workflow.
- Regeneration of older content + creating new content - Dick & Carey Model
- Level 100 - 16 hours on snow - 4 hours e learning 2 hours portfolio development total - 22 hours.
- We condensed the level 100 from the past course
- Want to create a community of continual learning, creativity, best practices.

9.4 FY20
- Alpine fundamentals guide regeneration
- Alpine Turn shape model
- Coaching fundamentals course to replace FastStart
- New level 300 process implementation and plan moving forward
- Glossary of terms
- Usable suite of tools - planning documents reporting documents drill progress process movement analysis piece
- Snow/Venue Safety - Avalanche - Stop the Bleed - Giving coaches a better understanding and identify risk - looking to create an awareness for best practices.

9.5 IT & Systems -
- Centralized database
- Build out user dashboard with a user toolbox
- Online learning and moodle platform
- More accessible and available with single sign on
- Analyze user experience - so you can find these tools and resources
- Need to have an automated database
- Hive Learning - Communities of coaches looking for similar content and connect with one another. Chronological timeline of discussions and content. Sharing information. Powerful for working groups.

9.6 Increasing partnerships:
- Gender & Equality │ SafeSport │ Snow Safety Awareness │ Stop the Bleed │ Grassroots development │ Live like Sam │ Celebrating and recognizing clubs volunteers coaches officials │ Talent identification │ Competence Confidence Connection Character │ Communication

10. Questions/Comments
- Are there ways to appropriate language and content for under 18 coaches?
- How much of the content today has aspects to inspire new coaches?
- Reasons why athletes quit athlete retention
- Prioritize teaching coaching and connection and soft skills - balanced with tec/tac
- What does good coaching look like? How do we create passion and life long love of the sport?
- Level 200 & Course Setting?
- Coaching fundamentals will be required every three years and is available to everyone
- Are you going to dive into equipment recommendations?
- Where do coaches find the steps to becoming a L100?
- Need to provide tools on “how to” do their portfolio and lesson plan.

11. New Business - None

12. Motion to Adjourn
   **Motion: Stacey Gerrish; Second: Kathy Okoniewski; Motion carried**
   Meeting ended 9:55 AM
Meeting Chair: Peter Dodge

1. Attendance
   - EISA/Chair - Dartmouth: Peter Dodge (present)
   - USCSA/Vice Chair Idaho: Ron Bonneau (absent)
   - Past Chair - Steamboat: Roger Perricone (present)
   - Industry - Reliable Racing: John Jacobs (present)
   - USCSA - Rocky: Jay Moyer (present)
   - At Large - CU: Stefan Hughes (present)
   - RMISA - DU: Tyler Shepard (present)
   - Rocky - Ski Club Vail: Chris Ogilvie (absent)
   - EISA - Bates College: Michaela Holland (absent)
   - Athlete - Dartmouth: Brian McLaughlin (present via call in)
   - Staff (non voting): Bill Gunesch (present)

   A quorum is present.

2. Committee election
   - The current committee members were re-elected
   
   Motion: Peter Dodge; Second: Roger Perricone; Motions carried

3. Review and approval of minutes
   
   Motion: Roger Perricone; Second: Jacobs; Motion carried

4. Approval of Agenda
   
   Motion: John Jacobs; Second: Jay Moyer; Motion carried

5. Old business: None

6. New business
   6.1 Reports
      - 6.1.1 RMISA Tyler Shepard
      - 6.1.2 EISA Peter Dodge (see report in FTP folder)
      - 6.1.3 USCSA

   Report was presented by Alex Tandara-Kuhns, Executive Director of USCSA. U.S. Ski & Snowboard memberships discussions are ongoing. U.S. Ski & Snowboard with Sheryl Barnes and Alex seeking common ground and for encouraging U.S. Ski & Snowboard memberships for USCSA competitors. Currently U.S. Ski & Snowboard competitor memberships are attractive only to competitors seeking to compete and gain rankings in U.S. Ski & Snowboard scored competitions. Currently only 300 of 3,500 USCSA members hold U.S. Ski & Snowboard competitor licenses. Recommendations: USCSA and U.S. Ski & Snowboard Membership to continue discussions

   The Collegiate Pathways document/poster is currently available, if not easily, on the U.S. Ski & Snowboard website but is difficult to keep current. We will be working with
U.S. Ski & Snowboard to have appropriate and active links to conferences and programs.

https://usskiandsnowboard.org/sites/default/files/files-resources/files/2017-10/collegiate-pathways%20%281%29.pdf

Recommendation: Review website and comp guide for appropriate links and updated information of college opportunities.

6.2 Discussions

6.2.1 Collegiate Pathways, Ron Bonneau
Collegiate White Paper, Charlotte Moats and Edith Thys via call in.
Published on the U.S. Ski & Snowboard website at:

This document is an extensive resource of the history, background and current state of NCAA and USCSA college racing. It presents many of the current issues and discussions in a balanced manner. Thank you to Edie and Charlotte for all the work on pulling this together.

6.2.2 Development, Chip Knight
2019/20 Program

Chip Knighted presented a brief summary of the P-26 development programing for last year and the upcoming year. P-26 is focused on the development of junior U21 athletes and has a goal of advancing juniors to the C-team and above level. Some skiers who are no longer U21 will be included in projects. P-26 projects included 70 skiers of which 8 were collegiate.

The P26 and D-Team programs are a shared program between P-26 and the home program or college. Three-way communication between P26, the home program and athlete is vital. There was concern expressed that the inertia of the P26 program created the perception that you had to be "all-in" or you were out. A balance needs to be maintained. Recommendation: Ensure open and balanced cooperation and communication for P26 athletes.

2020/21 USST Criteria

6.2.3 USST Nomination Announcement proposal
This year the U.S. Ski & Snowboard announced the USST nomination in a timely and more transparent manner, satisfying the intent of the proposal. Well Done!

Jesse Hunt has a presentation showing the selection process and criteria achieved. This needs to be shared on the FTP or U.S. Ski & Snowboard website. Current criteria does not allow for selection through domestic competition through the typical collegiate career. Recommendation: Post USST, Jesse Hunt report on FTP or website

Calendar Planning

The importance of advance planning of the NorAm calendar so that the Collegiate calendars can be better planned was discussed. This is very challenging with all the moving pieces involved. However, this is crucial to creating effective athletic planning and management towards the development of College and USA skiers.

The EISA and RMISA calendars are pretty much confirmed. The NorAm and US Nationals calendar is still in motion. Looking ahead we need to be aware of the upcoming WWUG events scheduled Jan 21-31 in Switzerland and Lake Placid NY in 2023 so that these events can be accommodated in the calendar.
Recommendation: Strive to confirm NorAm blocks at least one year in advance. Include consideration of collegiate FIS calendars in planning. Include planning for WWUG 2021 Switzerland and Lake Placid 2023 in advance planning.

NorAm/FIS-Uni/NCAA

6.2.4 NorAm Course Setter proposal
A proposal to provide more access for college coaches to set at NorAm races was discussed. Chip will take this into consideration. Recommendation: Include college coaches in a rotation of coaches for NorAm course setters, including USST, East, Rocky, West and Collegiate.

The FIS-Uni U25 age limit of U21 which takes effect in 20/21 was discussed. The NCAA will continue to discuss the desire and feasibility to become aligned with this rule. There was no clear consensus from U.S. Ski & Snowboard programs and coaches as to the developmental position with this. The very top USA skiers are going directly to the USST.

6.2.5 Parallel formats
CU conducted a test event last year. There is a possibility of conducting a test event at the NCAA Championships. The Roko’s proposal was presented in the Development meeting.

6.2.6 Winter World University Games
6.1.8 USOC/BTI USSS Development for WWUG
U.S. Ski & Snowboard is challenged to provide the staff and management however the feeling is that management and authority of this important world and Continental Cup level event should be managed as are other international events such as WJC. Recommendation: The appropriate levels of U.S. Ski & Snowboard and USOPC need to seek to allow USSS as the NGB, to take over management of WWUG for alpine skiing and other snow sports, from BTI.

7. Adjournment

Motion: Roger Perricone; Second: John Jacobs; Motion carried

Summary of Recommendations

- Recommendation: USCSA and USSS Membership to continue discussions.
- Recommendation: Review website and comp guide for appropriate links and updated information of college opportunities.
- Recommendation: Ensure open and balanced cooperation and communication for P26 athletes.
- Recommendation: Post USST, Jesse Hunt report on FTP or website
- Recommendation: Strive to confirm NorAm blocks at least one year in advance. Include consideration of collegiate FIS calendars in planning. Include planning for WWUG 2021 Switzerland and Lake Placid 2023 in advance planning.
- Recommendation: Include college coaches in a rotation of coaches for NorAm course setters, including USST, East, Rocky, West and Collegiate.
- Recommendation: The appropriate levels of USSS and USOC need to seek to allow USSS as the NGB, to take over management of WWUG for alpine skiing and other snow sports, from BTI.
Meeting Chair: Karen Ghent

1. Welcome and call to order

2. Review of committee membership and roll call – a quorum is present
   - Chair - Karen Ghent
   - Immediate Past Chair - Mike Morin
   - Staff - Chip Knight
   - U14 and Under - Jim Hudson
   - U16 and Older - Peter Korfiatis
   - College - Peter Dodge
   - Quotas - Beat Hupfer
   - Athlete Rep and Vice Chair - Warner Nickerson
   - At Large - Steve Berlack


3. Review and approval of agenda
   **Motion:** Peter Korfiatis; Second: Warner Nickerson; Motion carried

4. Review and approval of minutes
   **Motion:** Beat Hupfer; Second: Warner Nickerson; Motion carried

5. Reports
   5.1 Chair - Ghent
      5.1.1 Parallel Discussion
      5.1.2 U12 and under Working group - a lot of collaboration throughout the year working on a platform that can share best practices throughout the country. There has also been good collaboration with Coaches’ Education.
      5.1.3 Stop the Bleed discussion
      5.1.4 Observations
         5.1.4.1 Good collaboration between the regions this past season between coaches, athletes and clubs.
         5.1.4.2 Course Setting - course setters need to be thoughtful in their course sets - there needs to be good variety to challenge the athletes.
5.1.4.3 Cost of the sport - We need to be thoughtful on how we move forward with some of these proposals. We want to do our best to make sure we are also meeting our goals of raising the bar for our athletes to be best in the world.

5.2 Alpine Development Director - Knight
5.2.1 World Junior Championships were the highlight of the season - standout performances, silver medal in the team event, River Radamus, Ben Ritchie’s silver medal in the slalom - 3rd overall in the Holder Cup standings.

5.2.2 Project 26 D-Team Model - lots of credit to Sasha and Marjan for the hard work and communication to athletes, parents, coaches and clubs.
   5.2.2.1 Elevate club-based athletes to a higher level
   5.2.2.2 Focus on fundamental skill development
   5.2.2.3 Emphasize conditioning

5.2.3 Speed Development
   5.2.3.1 DH contested as a part of the US Nationals program in March
   5.2.3.2 National development camp for U19s and U16s at Copper Mountain
   5.2.3.3 Regional Development programming West and East

5.2.4 European FIS Exposure Projects - targeted first and second-year FIS athletes 20 men and 10 women - training and racing

5.2.5 Parallel - Hosted events at NorAms, US Nationals and U16 Nationals and regional FIS levels. Not easy events to host. Super fun events for our athletes to be involved in.

5.2.6 Improved Communication - webinars after each of the D-Team camps, Monthly Regional newsletter, Development Project announcement webpage

5.2.7 Chip reviewed the status of his performance goals for the year and moving forward.

5.2.8 2019-20 Objectives and Strategies
   5.2.8.1 Continue to compete at the top of the WJSC rankings
   5.2.8.2 Enhance overlay of club, regional and national program to increase depth of junior ranks
   5.2.8.3 Focus on conditioning for all elite-emerging athletes - all D-Team, WJSC, and NDSG athletes must pass overall SQ Fitness Standard - 700 points for men and 550 points for women. Scores will be published to incentivize and push our community to focus on conditioning.

5.2.9 Chip published the D-Team selections and how they qualified for the D-Team and NDG selections

5.2.10 Prep period camps for both men and women were announced D-Team and Regional plans

5.2.11 The question was asked as to where do we stand with the technical and tactical statement. It is finished. Gar at Sport Education is working on a delivery method.

5.2.12 Question regarding an injury clause for SQ fitness - Sport Science is working on a total presentation for this. Understand this is a necessary component of the conditioning testing plan. The emphasis for the SQ fitness is to change the culture in the country. Have athletes take pride in their conditioning.

5.3 FIS Update - Knight

5.4 U14 and Under - Hudson
5.4.1 Thank Sally for all the hard work throughout the year with the working group and keeping discussion going

5.4.2 Andrew Weibrecht’s proposal has been broken into three different proposal, No speed suits, No fluoros, and one pair of skis per discipline.
5.4.3 Pocket guide - to make the pocket guide available to all coaches
5.4.4 Course setting and parallel will be added to the agenda

5.5 U16 and Older - Korfiatis
5.5.1 There was a December call
5.5.2 There will be a number of proposals discussed at meeting this afternoon.

5.6 Collegiate - Dodge
5.6.1 There was a very good forum last night and the momentum was carried forward this morning’s meeting. You can access the live link to the forum through the U.S. Ski & Snowboard Facebook page or on the front page of the website.
5.6.2 It is great to have USCSA on the committee and encourage them to be a part of U.S. Ski & Snowboard board.
5.6.3 Pathways of skiing after High School - NCAA and USCSA
5.6.4 College white paper is published on the U.S. Ski & Snowboard website.
5.6.5 The value of college ski racing is the extra time for athletes to develop and then move onto the ski team.
5.6.6 Discussion regarding calendar considerations, World Cup, World Junior, Nor Am calendars when putting together the FIS U calendar. World University Games in 2023.
5.6.7 U25 discussion regarding University and NCAA age - how is the best way to manage this? There is a lot of discussion without solid answers at this point.
5.6.8 The number of foreign athletes in the college system. This was discussed at length at the forum and at the meeting this morning.
5.6.9 Moving forward with the parallel format as a part of their racing.
5.6.10 Continue discussions with the USOPC to have World University Games managed through the National office and not through BTI. The event being managed through BTI does not promote sending the best USA University team to this event.
5.6.11 Brian McLaughlin is added as the athlete rep to the College Subcommittee

5.7 Quotas - Hupfer
5.7.1 Meeting is tomorrow - there are a number of proposals that will be discussed.

6. Old Business
6.1 Parallel SL task force - Ghent
6.1.1 Parallel - comments open to the group; athletes had a great time. Difficult to schedule in the event (the order of events). Events are labor intensive. Short courses were better, easier course sets made it more enjoyable.

6.2 Proposal - Parallel Paneled SL (no elimination) - Ghent
6.2.1 This proposal could be especially used at the younger ages as there is no elimination. Rankings are updated after every heat.

6.3 Discuss exception items
6.3.1 Motion: To allow regions to host crossover FIS and U.S. Ski & Snowboard DH and SG races without having to ask for permission from the National office. Karen will get an operational paper to share with ROC’s about how to run the event.
Motion: Peter Korfiatis; Second: Warner Nickerson; Motion carried
6.3.2 Motion: To allow single pole slaloms to run without having permission.
Motion: Peter Korfiatis; Second: Jim Hudson; Motion carried
6.3.3 To allow Divisions to allow to ski down rules.
Motion: Karen Ghent; Second: Warner Nickerson; Motion carried
6.3.4 To allow Divisions to allow ability racing to continue.
Motion: Karen Ghent; Second: Jim Hudson; Motion carried

6.3.5 To allow Division to host event without regard for gender.
Motion: Karen Ghent; Second: Warner Nickerson; Motion carried

7. New Business
7.1 Stop the Bleed Campaign is being discussed at various meetings.
7.2 Proposal: Announcement of USST and Selection Criteria College - no action is needed, just a recommendation
7.3 Proposal: U19 National Championships - Western Region
7.4 Proposal: Nor Am Course Setters College - no action is needed, just a recommendation
7.5 Intent and Confirmation Deadlines - Knight - U16 and older and quota discussions
7.6 U16 Championship Pricing - Berlack - move to tomorrow's meeting
7.7 Discuss two races in a day - move to tomorrow's meeting

8. Adjournment
Motion: Peter Korfiatis; Second: Jim Hudson; Motion carried
Alpine Development Session 2

Summit C, The Yarrow Hotel and Conference Center, 1800 Park Avenue, Park City, UT

Thursday May 16, 2019, 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Minutes

Meeting Chair: Karen Ghent


1. Welcome and call to order
   A quorum is present.

2. Review and approval of agenda
   Motion: Peter Korfiatis; Second: Warner Nickerson; Motion carried

3. Review and approval of minutes
   Motion: Peter Korfiatis; Second: Warner Nickerson; Motion carried

4. Reports
   4.1 Chair - Ghent
   4.2 Thank you for the efforts of everyone with the proposals. There has been a lot of thought and hard work in the discussion. Reports and proposals will be presented and voted on as a slate.
   4.2 Alpine Development Director - Knight
   4.3 U14 and Under WG - Hudson
   4.3.1 Athlete rep was replaced with Kevin Keane. Kevin is from Jackson Hole. Kevin replaced Hailey Duke
   4.3.2 U12 and under task force will become a part of the U14 and Committee and will report to this committee on a yearly basis
   4.3.3 60’ slalom gate length was discussed and removed from old business
   4.3.4 PROPOSAL: At U12 and under competitions. We recommend each division hold two races next season (2019-2020) that do not allow speed suits showing. This is a one-year test and look forward to feedback next season. Races will be decided in each division.
   4.3.5 PROPOSAL: Limited to use one pair of skis for each race U12 and under. 2nd pair of skis is not allowed; one pair of skis must be used for both inspection and the race run. At no time can athletes, parent or coach carry skis to the start for the athlete.
   Motion: Bill Hudson; Second: Peter Korfiatis; Motion carried
   4.3.6 PROPOSAL: At U14 and under races during all U.S. Ski & Snowboard sanctioned events. We propose a ban on all fluorinated wax use, including applying any additive wax. This ban is based on trust between parents, coaches, and athletes. If a jury member witnesses this at the race site, the athlete may be disqualified or may not be permitted to start.
Motion: Warner Nickerson; Second: Chip Knight; Motion carried

4.3.7 PROPOSAL: Alpine Pocket Guide - to include the pocket guide as part of membership, include option make a $10 donation to Coaches' Education or Athlete Development which includes the Pocket Guide and access to the online format.

Motion to approve U14 and Under WG report: Warner Nickerson; Second: Beat Hupfer; Motion carried

4.4 U16 and Older WG - Korfiatis

4.4.1 PROPOSAL: Recommendation to clubs that host U16 National Championships to work towards the $90 lodging and meal cost at the U16 National Championship event.

4.4.2 PROPOSAL: Seeding at U16 Nationals - Each region will have 5 athletes in the first seed (15 athletes) at the U16 Nationals events. Regions will be responsible for putting together the ranking method of the athletes in their Division. Proposal passed as presented.

4.4.3 PROPOSAL: Foreign athletes can only qualify for U16 NPS through the National quota. Proposal as presented.

4.4.4 PROPOSAL: The addition of a U19 National Championships to the National calendar. This proposal did not pass

4.4.5 PROPOSAL: To revisit the selections and quotas for National Junior Championships to make sure all FIS level age athletes are included.

4.4.6 PROPOSAL: Nor Am Cup women’s quota as presented

4.4.7 PROPOSAL: Add a Women’s NPS U19 to the National calendar - this proposal did not pass

4.4.8 PROPOSAL: Change in the men’s U19 NPS quota as presented.

4.4.9 PROPOSAL: To limit the number of starts a FIS athlete is allowed. The conversation moved to looking at the cost of the start and athlete management and development.

MOTION: To put together a task force to research athlete management and its relationship to athlete performance, cost, race starts and school attendance and other relevant issues and report to the ASC at the fall meeting and a full report at the ASC meeting in Spring of 2020.

Motion to approve U16 and Older WG report: Karen Ghent; Second: Beat Hupfer; Motion carried

4.5 Collegiate WG - Dodge

4.5.1 Brian McLaughlin was added to the committee as an athlete rep.

4.5.2 Recommendations: U.S. Ski & Snowboard continue discussions with USCSA to align the two organizations and continue collaborative work.

4.5.3 College committee to review website and comp guide to make sure links and information are correct.

4.5.4 To ensure the P26 program is a balanced program for the athletes and there is appropriate athlete management.

4.5.5 Transparency in selections and naming of USST athletes.

4.5.6 NorAm calendar to be finalized at least one year in advance.

4.5.7 World University Games are in Lake Placid in 2023 and need to be taken into consideration when putting together the NorAm calendar for that year.

4.5.8 Include college coaches in the rotation of course setters at NorAms.

4.5.9 USOPC has given BTI all rights for travel of World University Games and the College Committee would request that U.S. Ski & Snowboard work with USOPC to take over management of the World University Games.

4.5.10 Vice Chair and USCSA (Bonneau)
Motion to approve Collegiate WG report as presented: Steve Berlack; Second: Jim Hudson; Motion carried

4.6  Quotas and Selection WG - Hupfer

4.6.1 PROPOSAL: Nor Am Cup Quota Proposal for equal access for junior and senior women based on FIS points as presented.

4.6.2 PROPOSAL: U16 NPS Quota Proposal changing foreign athlete access to U16 NPS through published national quotas as presented.

4.6.3 PROPOSAL: U19 NPS Quotas Proposal - approved as presented adjusting YOB quotas for men and without women's NPS series.

4.6.4 PROPOSAL: US Nationals College quota, with the amendment to close 21 days from the start of US Nationals.

4.6.5 PROPOSAL: Intent and Confirmation Deadline, with the amendment to change the closing of the deadline to the first of the month prior to an event, and payment deadline moves from 7 days to 14 days before the start of the event. To add a refund policy that would be due to injury or sickness, processing fee would not be refunded.

4.6.6 PROPOSAL: Staff will put together a quota proposal for U.S. Junior Nationals to be presented to the Quotas and Selection Working Group by June 1st.

4.6.7 Elections: None

Motion to approve Quotas and Selection WG report: Steve Berlack; Second: Warner Nickerson; Motion carried

5.  Old Business

6.  New Business

   6.1 MOTION: To restructure the classification committee to consider subject criteria and clarify the disqualification procedure which includes either a site visit or interviews with the ROC prior to final decision.

       Motion: Peter Korfiatis; Second: Jim Hudson; Motion failed

   6.2 Election of Chairs: None

   6.3 Other Proposal follow-up/review

7.  Adjournment

       Motion: Warner Nickerson; Second: Steve Berlack; Motion carried
Alpine Education Subcommittee

Summit C, Yarrow Hotel, 1800 Park Avenue, Park City, UT

Thursday May 16, 2019, 3:15 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.

Minutes

Meeting Chair: Jon Nolting
Attendance: Jon Nolting, Stacey Gerrish, Ron Kipp, Gar Trayner Absent: Tami Strong
Guests: Ellen Campbell, Anna Hosmer, Brian Krill, Sam Damon, Roger Kimball, Gillian Esson, Caryn Jones, Kevin Chaffee, Matt Dawson, Jill Firstbrook, John Norton, Sue Schwartz, Joe Paul, Don Stellin, Micheline Lemay

1. Jon Nolting welcomed the group and called the meeting to order at 3:18pm.

2. Nolting reviewed the subcommittee membership. Tami Strong was unable to attend. There is an open at-large position and open athlete position on the subcommittee. A quorum is present.

3. Review and approval of agenda

   Motion: Ron Kipp; Second: Stacey Gerrish; Motion carried

4. Review and approval of minutes

5. Motion: Stacey Gerrish; Second: Ron Kipp; Motion carried

6. Reports

   Alpine Coach Education WG – Stacey Gerrish

   With Gar’s hire as Sport Education Director, Stacey was nominated to the chair position. Ron Kipp was nominated as vice-chair of the working group.

   The working group discussed the alpine ski fundamentals pocket guide. This is an essential coaching tool and the working group would like to see it in the hands of all coaches. Providing it as part of the coach membership fee for each coach was discussed. If this is not possible, it was recommended to include the option to purchase as part of the registration process. Gar indicated that the guide would not be ready in the current season. There was discussion about making the content available online for free. Currently there is some content available free on the Team USA Mobile Coach app, member coaches simply need to register at http://mobilecoach.teamusa.org and download the app at the Apple or Google Play store.

   Gar reported on the Sport Ed Department’s activity in 18/19 and plans for 19/20. In club development, the number of certified clubs continues to grow, original clubs are going through the re-certification process, and two clubs that were previously certified at the silver level have achieved gold status. They are working on updating the club handbook.

   In coaches’ education, there were fewer clinics held but more participants attended. The percentage of certified coaches remains generally flat at 56%. The Fast Start Coaching Course is being replaced by a Coaching Fundamentals online course that is taking material from the current Level 100 online course and moved to the baseline membership level to eliminate redundancy. Gar is working with Jesse Hunt on a technical statement and associated resources. Gar is working toward increasing capacity 25% per year for Level 100 clinics to allow for a requirement of all coaches at events to be Level 100 certified by spring 2022. The Sport Education staff has an aggressive workload for online clinic resources in the upcoming year. Motion to approve the report – M/S/C Kipp/Trayner
Alpine Club WG – Ellen Adams

Ellen reported in Tami’s absence. Tami did a great job leading the Club WG meeting, which was held in conjunction with the Club Excellence Conference. There was great attendance. Discussion around the new certified clubs and certification goals for upcoming years. The volunteer club consultants continue to do a great job and are so valuable in this process. Ellen reviewed the cost of sport survey completed by Sport Education with the WG. Tami and the WG will work with Ellen on the updates to the Guide to Club Excellence. Working group members were tasked to report back to their regional committees. Motion to approve the report – M/S/C Gerrish/Kipp

7. Old business

There was discussion around requiring coaches to be certified to work in a coach capacity at events by the spring of 2022. The objective is to incentivize coaches to complete education and to make the competition environment safer and more professional based on better educated coaches. USASA currently requires its coaches to be at least Level 100 certified to coach at USASA Nationals. Other NGB’s require their coaches to be certified to be on the sideline in games. It is not possible to enforce this requirement prior to 2022, as there is not currently the capacity with clinics to get all coaches certified earlier.

There will be a task force comprised of one regional representative from each region, the regional directors, and the education subcommittee chair to work with Gar on the details of this proposal and how it would impact each region. There could be a phase in by competition level (i.e., Championship, scored vs. non-scored) and by region (pilot test).

8. New business

Nomination to appoint Brian Krill to the vacant at-large position on the subcommittee. Motion: Ron Kipp; Second: Stacey Gerrish; Motion carried

There was discussion about doing an exit survey with coaches who do not renew their coach membership to determine if they are leaving the sport and why.

Gar noted that he along with Jesse Hunt are putting some focus into U16 and U19 coaches without certification levels commensurate with their coaching level, specifically NorAm level coaches who are national team coach level caliber but who have not attained certification beyond Level 100. Gar also noted he is working on making the Level 300 more scalable so it can be delivered more locally without diluting the content or standards of the training.

9. Adjournment – 4:25pm

Motion: Brian Krill; Second: Ron Kipp; Motion carried
Alpine Rocky/Central Region

Summit C, DoubleTree Hotel, 1800 Park Avenue, Park City, UT

Wednesday, May 15, 2019, 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Minutes

Meeting Chair: John Manderfield

Guests: Brewster McVicker, Grant Lindemer, Ron Lawrence, Gill Hearn, Jay Moyer, Mike Bowman, John Hale, Karen Ghent, Adam Chadbourne, Casey Puckett, Torey Greenwood, Andy Leroy, Austin Nevins, Caryn Jones, Darryl Landstrom, Darlene Nolting, Chip Knight

1. Welcome and call to Order

2. Review of Committee membership and roll call (A quorum is present.)
   Stefan Hughes  RMD (athlete)
   Don Stellin  CEN
   Skip Wipson  CEN
   John Manderfield  CEN (Chair)
   Joe Paul  CEN (athlete)
   James Jensen  CEN
   Jon Nolting  RMD
   Ben Brown  RMD
   Kristina Revello  RMD
   Alice Black  RMD (vice Chair)

3. Review and approval of agenda
   Motion: Alice Black; Second: Joe Paul; Motion carried

4. Review and approval of minutes from meeting on May 2, 2018
   Motion: Don Stellin; Second: Ben Brown; Motion carried

5. Staff Report
   5.1 Darlene Nolting
      - Rocky continues to be strong as a region; target 40 Top 10 Junior WAR for Men and Ladies, right now ~75% and 15% respectively, deeper down to top 15 on men’s side, further down the list for women; U16 nationals RC won regions cup; the East won Jr Nats; How can we create /build more depth, especially on the women’s side
      - Region is strong, coaches setting the bar high
      - Thank you for hosting events, kudos to all those who have helped; venues are a strength in the region
      - Need gatekeepers at all events; coach as referee cannot cover everything- video, interference, gate repairs, etc
      - SQ standards are improving and setting the bar for other regions- refocus on fundamentals, improved scores in both divisions
      - Reducing/controlling cost of the sport
      - Strengthen skills at younger ages
      - Thank you to Eric Cates!
      - Ian Dunlop is stepping down, thank you for all his hard work
5.2  Sheryl Barnes – Member Services
5.2.1 Safe Sport - Volunteers who have direct interaction with athletes/position of power; is the interaction interruptible, what are the boundaries, is it observable; parental consent can be obtained, must be written; presence of another adult; topic of texting, must have another adult or in group chat; lodging- match years of birth, separate 18+ unless it's normal for them to room together. Background screening every 2 years, Safesport every year (refresher after initial course). 17+ years go through SafeSport training asap, can submit background check 14 days before their birthday.

6. Divisional Reports
6.1 Central Report - Don Stellin
6.1.1 Good Season; didn’t lose any events this past season
6.1.2 CASC meeting this past April. Ron Lawrence has stepped down and they are working on replacing that position.
6.1.3 Good standing financially
6.1.4 Come together for qualifiers at Marquette again for the coming season. Worked as one division for qualifier, worked very well over 2 days; separate juries and a condensed schedule.
6.1.5 August 16-18 for the Leadership conference at Indianhead
6.1.6 Membership up slightly

6.2 Rocky Report - Alice Black
6.2.1 Gold medal initiative helping offset costs for fundamental camps.
6.2.2 Membership is steady
6.2.3 Loss of UNM means loss of pace in Rocky
6.2.4 Offer satellite clinics for officials; Cath Jett is looking at race result packets, errors have been reduced for scored events but not non-scored
6.2.5 Thank you to event hosts, clubs and coaches for well run races
6.2.6 Ski-up approval - Leaver and McDonald
6.2.7 All-Star criteria; testing, compete in National scored race prior to March 1st, RC DH qualification modified WC points at Dwight Wilder event and use one as qualification points;
6.2.8 U14 qualifiers over 3 weekends instead of 2; replaces events, not adding

7. New Business
7.1 Seeding at RC U16 Seeding
7.1.1 Modify public draw for tech events; seeded athletes 1-15 will draw start number, format is up to ROC (e.g. numbers under hats, younger athletes wearing covered bibs, ping pong)

Motion: Jon Nolting; Second: Joe Paul; Motion carried

7.2 For Rocky/Central U14 athletes to not attending U14 Can Ams.
7.2.1 No longer participate and instead provide spring training camp. This will allow a larger group to benefit at a lower cost; make sure that camp is really inexpensive, not asking more kids to spend more money when the point it to save money; the CanAm captures a very small number of athletes; need to bring the fastest kids together.

Motion: Ben Brown; Second: Alice Black; Motion failed

7.3 Adding Bill Slattery to the RC Committee as a life-long honorary member of the RC board as a non-voting member.

Motion: John Manderfield; Second: James Jensen; Motion carried
7.3.1 This position would only be held by Bill and once he decides he no longer wants to continue on the committee, this position on the committee would go away.

7.4 U16 Regionals - Winter Park will host
7.5 U14 Champs

8. Adjournment

Motion: John Manderfield; Second: James Jensen: Motion carried
Alpine U16 and Older Working Group

Summit C, DoubleTree Hotel, 1800 Park Avenue, Park City, UT

Wednesday, May 15, 2019, 2:45 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.

Minutes

Meeting Chair: Pete Korfiatis

1. Welcome and call to order - 2:45pm by Pete Korfiatis

2. Roll call and review of committee membership (A quorum is present).
   Pete Korfiatis (Chair)
   Members: Todd Brickson (Vice Chair / At large), Jesse Hunt (Immediate Past Chair), Jessica Kelley (Athlete), Mike Morin (East), Tom Sell (East), Joe Paul (R/C), Casey Puckett (R/C), Jim Tschabrun (West), John Buchar (West)
   Staff: Chip Knight, Jesse Hunt, Darlene Nolting, Bill Gunesch, Sam Damon, Angie Brown

3. Review and approval of minutes
   Motion to approve minutes: Joe Paul; Second: Tom Sell; Motion carried

4. Review interim activity
   Project 2026 – No discussion points. Todd B would like to applaud Chip and Staff for fully funding A-C Teams. Chip stated it was a Team effort Foundation/C-level/ Mike Morin – congrats on accomplishing the P26 – huge effort/ great job. Chip thanks for the encouragement to get that job done.

5. Old business
   5.1. Report: Combine National/FIS DH/SG Events – no issues
   5.2. Ability Class racing – no issues
   5.3. Ski Down–Add to rules – no issues

6. New business
   6.1. Proposal - Cost of the sport
   Discussion: COC rule 7 for Championship events:
   Jim T – does not apply to FIS racing models: race/commercialization of sport/competing too much/ improved system comes with increased pricing/cost of sports is across the board: wax-equipment-etc.
   Pete K: from a resort perspective, this is hard to chew.
   Jim T: where are we spending our money – race starts: increased fees to help out, better prep, travel less, spend less, better racing
   John B – cost to run a race is increasing/travel costs are the greatest, something needs to be done.
   Casey P – we couldn’t make this work at Aspen.
   Burke guys: if this price is not correct, then determine one that is economically feasible. Know your Economic Impact.
   Aldo: what is the best field size? Small field sizes could facilitate different pricing models. It’s a philosophical thought.
   Sam D – For U16 Nationals next year, Sugarloaf is close to hitting that price.
   Steve B- this proposal is a guidance for those organizing future events. Use this as a starting point for negotiations.
   Pete K- table this idea.
   Motion to amend the proposal as a recommendation: Darlene Nolting; Second: Joe Paul; Motion carried
6.2. Proposal – Seeding at U16 Nationals

Discussion: Chip – This year at at U16 Nationals we had some exceptional points so to counter that we propose top 5 athletes from each region to a random start for first 15 athletes.

Todd – why not the whole field?

Casey – maybe go down to top 30? It will promote a fair field. That way the OPA Cup winner is not starting 18.

Sam D – NPS should be the same way.

Pete K – Regions can seed as they see fit.

Bill – it’s lopsided to different regions over the year. We should ski well and best skiers float to the top.

Casey – this leads to Point Chasing and that is not what we want for U16.

Chip – crossover at different events

Mike M – we as a region realized that two years ago we were the ones below points and we created a calendar to support points accumulation.

Todd – in the west we don’t have the choice to do that because of the area.

Chip – Joe Paul – Did the best skiers win?


John B – I support top 15.

Terri D – are we saying the point system is not valid? Have we looked at 5 year review of top athletes and their seeds? J3 used to be seeding this way.

Darlene – when U16 started it was done this way

Lester K – first 3 years were much smaller races

Joe P – would passing this better our athletes?

Dar – Selection criteria are determined from this race, so yes.

Casey – this simply looks to create a fair field.

Mike M: I move to discussion

Bill G – we use this for U14/16, leave it up to the Regions.

Motion to approve proposal as written: Mike Morin; Second: Joe Paul; Motion carried

6.3. Proposal – U16 NPS, Foreign Athletes – Knight

Motion to approve proposal as written: Tom Sell; Second: Casey Puckett; Motion carried

6.4. Proposal – U19 Nationals – Western Region

Discussion: Bill – top athletes are covered by NJR, but U19 gives a landing place for athletes not qualifying for Nationals, and return to 4 event. It’s a step to the Nationals.

Todd – it’s a reboot from 3 years ago. Why did we change? Size & Great opportunities, This worked for Men’s series but Women did not have solid field. Cost was a big factor, timing of series, and quality of field.

Chip – the last 3 years has been successful, national team participated. It’s great to have young and old. Penalties have gone down. Higher level success.

Pete K; criteria? This is for that next level to have something to shoot for. The link between National teams & “the rest”.

Steve B – calendaring.

Mike M – U19 were not well represented last year.

Joe P – current athletes have a single focus and commonly aligned. At past U19, brought together varying levels with lots more distractions.

Casey – what is the goal for a first year FIS athlete.

Sam D – I like the way it is now. Now it’s a high level event in an approachable way.

Mike M – we should revisit criteria for all age levels to attend for first yr vs fifth yr. It should be hard to get into (for first yr)

Motion to call to vote the proposal: Pete Korfiatis; Second: Joe Paul; Motion failed

Motion to revisit the quotas for Junior Nationals so that all age levels are represented properly: Mike Morin: Second: Casey Puckett; Motion carried

6.6. Proposal – NorAm Cup Quotas – Knight

Discussion :Women’s team should be mirror Men’s team selections via NTSM system.
Motion to approve proposal: Jim Tschabrun; Second: Joe Paul; Motion carried

6.7 Proposal to include Women in NPS
Discussion: Chip – looking to calendar M&W NPS together. First & second year athletes need head to head. Chasing NorAms is not beneficial for them. Looking to have 2 NPS race opportunite to help first years gain point opportunities.
Karen G – NorAm is so thin now, does this make sense. Is this a better option? Should we calendar on top of one another.
Joe P – is the criteria correct?
Chip – I agree, is this level needed. He is hearing there needs to be a way to bridge the gap to get to NorAms.
Jim T – what is the intent? Who is it to serve?
Pete K – shift to pick up 2003 is 15 kids and will dramatically increase.
Pete K – what is rational?
Chip – for third year to get into NorAms have been tough. There is a great deal of opportunity at the bottom.
John B – what is the intent for athletes & competitive level; it was too big a step to go to NorAm.
Chip – different intents for men & women. When women are 7 seconds out at NorAm’s have options within Region.
Joe P – does adding the layer help points/results.
Terri D – but an east coaster can go to Sunday River and get same access. East doesn’t need this.
Dar – this give first year athletes to race against their age.
Jim T – West has those races in early.
Chip – these would be calendared NOT on top of regional races.
Graham – schedule NJR via regions.
Bill – East doesn’t fill races now.
Jim T – 50 points women at NorAm were 7 seconds out.
Karen – we want the women to feel they are racing in an appropriate level race.
Jim T – I believe the regions are serving this purpose.
Kristina Rev – we added 6 NJR starts before Jan to help profiles.
Joe P – currently there is no criteria to jr.
Motion to approve proposal: Mike Morin; Second: Joe Paul; Motion failed

Second portion of Proposal - Men’s Criteria Changes
Discussion: Men’s criteria changes: 5-10-15 spots (same total numbers just allocated differently).
Karen G – to clarify this give more access to camp portion for first years.
Dar – selection off NTSM.
Motion to approve quota revision: Mike Morin; Second: Joe Paul; Motion carried

6.8 Proposal - The Brickson Cost Mitigation/Athlete Management Proposal
Discussion: Todd Brickson: sports are very expensive, miss too much school, have too much travel, and we are not seeing improvement. I recommend 35 race starts for FIS (not including AC). This will improve performance, less school missed.
Pete K: proposal deadline missed
Joe P: Todd sent proposal Apr 10.
Has FIS come down with any proposals?
Chip No, How to measure and monitor?
Bill – how many U19 girls 60 girls have more than this / Men 140 have greater. Athletes at WC level now, how many starts did they have. Example: 31 starts and 49 starts at U18.
Bill – it’s about conditioning, peaking, schedule, racer development.
Todd – I hope this could lead to better calendaring & more thoughtful ath planning.
Jim T – top women starts 37.8 current year; this is a bold move for future planning.
Casey – I believe this should not be restricted. FIS rule was U18 first year.
Todd – more training days, better plans,
Aldo – well done, Todd, and I agree with all points, I would believe this needs more study. Note we must keep up with Europe. Vonn had 70 starts/ Bella Wright had 60 and was a mess. We need to look at cost in comprehensive way. Todd – I would like to change the proposal to a Recommendation for discussion among several committees. Proposal to create a task force to look at the cost & athlete management and its ramifications

Motion to create a task force to look at cost, athlete management and its ramifications: Mike Morin; Second: Jim Tschabrun; Motion carried

7. Next Meeting tbd

8. Adjournment - 5:00pm

Motion to adjourn: Pete Korfiatis; Second: Joe Paul; Motion carried
Alpine Regional Subcommittee

Summit C, DoubleTree Hotel, 1800 Park Avenue, Park City, UT

Wednesday, May 15, 2019, 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Minutes

Meeting Chair: Craig Krueger

Subcommittee Members:
East: Tao Smith/Dan Marshall
Rocky-Central: Alice Black/John Manderfield
West: Tim Hindermann/Bill Brooks
Masters: Deb Lewis
Collegiate: (At large) Ron Bonneau

1. Welcome and call to order by Craig Krueger at 18:10
   Roll call of Subcommittee members (A quorum is present.)
   In attendance: Tao Smith, Dan Marshall, John Manderfield, Alice Black, Deb Lewis, Tim Hindermann
   Absent: Bill Brooks, Ron Bonneau
   Guests: Esther Delliquadri, Bill Skinner, Lauren Beckos, Peter Dodge, Roy Loman
   Staff: Chip Knight, Darlene Nolting, Bill Gunesch, Sam Damon

2. Approval of Minutes from May 2018 meeting
   Motion: Dan Marshall; Second: Deb Lewis; Motion carried

3. Approval of Agenda
   a. Two items added under new business

4. Regional Subcommittee Review and Mission
   a. Eastern Region – East is strong, started in October with ACC meeting. Youth Development workshop during the meeting weekend, extremely well received, testing camp along with the workshop. November World Cup in Killington, record breaking crowds. NCAA Champs and Nor Am Finals at Stowe, US Jr Nationals and US Nationals, NPS and D Team events. Eastern Office - 3 new staff members: Sam Damon, Paige Roberts and Brad Farrell. Kathy O youth development coach returned. Smoothest year thus far, exceptional job under Sam’s leadership. Kathy busy season with U16, U14 development projects.
   b. Rocky – lot of snow this season. U16 Nationals, RC won the event. U of Colorado 2nd in NCAA Champs. U16 development project, skills camps in December and April for U14 and under, Speed project held, too. Steamboat U10.U12 skills quest competition. Competitor license remain stable. Lost UNM ski team and will impact FISU hosting and pace in the southern series. Officials education remains strong, facilitate satellite clinics and a main event in early November. Thank you to the clubs and resorts that host top level events.
   c. Central Region – 199 races throughout the central region, Tech project, speed project and skills project. FIS Series held, added racing in Duluth. Alpine Education – officials are growing faster than the number of athletes. Implemented officials round table and working to advance officials from level 1 to 2. Mixed gender by year racing for U12 and under, one race per event. Each area ran duals, ran differently in each area. 3 day Central Championships, utilized 4 FIS TD’s to work with each jury, mentorship.
Event was challenging due to snowfall. Site selection criteria used to move the event around.

d. **Western Region:** Tim has been the Chair of the WR since 1 pm yesterday. Lost both Chair, Vice Chair and Interim chair during the past months. Angie Brown new WR Manager and doing a great job, Mike Prado will be leaving, Pick is still in place. Slow start to the winter, challenging weather with too much snow at times. Lost 6 women’s and 5 men’s FIS races due to weather. Regional projects went well, many successes for WR athletes. 9 Regional performance markers, major accomplishments: 6 ladies and 1 male named to D team, exceeded goals in ladies NorAm ranks. Working towards remainder of lofty goals, improvement is steady. Growth is in the 14-16-year olds, looking to grow the U19 class. Strength is large mountain skiing and great collaboration between the clubs and divisions. Challenge is geographical distance.

e. **Masters Report** – overall a successful season, membership is stable. Regional champs in East and West. West included the FIS Masters National events. Two stops next year for FIS masters’ events. National Champs was held at Mammoth, weather challenges. Next year continue National Speed Series. Bill Skinner retired and his years recognized. Lauren Beckos is new staff member and the masters’ community is excited to have her. Nationwide Masters Conference call every two months. Challenge is recruitment and retention: fee increase is a challenge. Publishing training opportunities, discussing parallel rules. Masters Course setting proposal: 16m to 18m adjustment for delayed gate in Slalom Course setting.

f. **Collegiate Update by Peter Dodge** – Good meeting this morning, great college forum: development, where college fits in, calendaring is still a huge challenge. East 13 teams, RMISA lost UNM and Westminster has joined their league, USCSA director to find a common ground for USCSA and U.S. Ski & Snowboard to be together. Discussed the Pathways document and further ways to communicate avenues to continue ski racing. Including info on college area of the website.

5. **Staff report (Chip Knight)**

Great to hear the Regional reports, grass roots reporting. Sam Damon reported on Skireg software used in the East, good toolset available. Pre-register everyone for a FIS event so that everyone can pay online and helped solidify FIS fields. This placed more onus on the families to complete the reg. Positive change for the Region for FIS races. No longer use intent sheets for in Region FIS racing, only for out of Region FIS racing. Skireg completes the ranking and selection for the Region. Created a solution to the double intent as it flags the double intent; stated that intents system is broken and staff is still trying to figure out the best solution.

6. **Committee Directives**

a. **Regional Representation/Retention/Advancement** – different reps from each Region can touch upon growth or decline in their Region and if they are in a healthy place. Currently reports are showing healthy status.

   West tracks the age, always a drop off around 16, currently 14 and 15 yr olds are growing in numbers, the amount of drop has decreased

   East numbers are steady year over year. Analysis of numbers since 2012-2013, 2nd year U14’s that do not qualify for regional champs and 25% of those kids do not renew for the next season.

   Development of U14 age class: Tri Divisional in West for those not attending Regional Champs, FW development project for athletes not at the Regional Champs.

   Rocky – largest drop off between U14 and U16’s. Do have a 2nd tier regional champs for U14’s and U16’s, not as well attended. Addressing qualifying methods, moving to three weekends instead of two weekends.

   Central – effort in making it a championship event instead of focusing on it being a qualifier to the next event. Working on development projects for retaining athletes.

b. **Governance Issues** - working to define what is trackable and needed from this committee.
7. Seasonal Committee Issues/Tasks
   a. Ability Class Racing -
      PNSA for U14+ scoring head to head points and scoring national points. Start positions based off of head to head points. Was a great concept, hurdle of educating parents and coaches on the process. Currently still have categories for awards, but not used for seeding any longer.
      Rocky - younger kids, non-scored. Took a lot of education and took some time for buy in. Ability class racing is continuing into A, B and C groups, based around each day's races. Also do a gender YOB race and is successful at U10 and not as much at U12.
   b. Parallel Events – lots of great work completed, lots of further work to be done.
   c. High School Events -
      Central – all three major areas are strong; Michigan will not allow HS races to use HS races to select to the East HS Champs.
      Rocky – Colorado HS Team approx. 70 athletes, currently good collaboration between HS and U.S. Ski & Snowboard
      East – HS racing is huge in the East: 12 states, 250 kids, changed the format this season. SL for all on Friday, Saturday Women's GS, Sunday Men's GS.
      West – will be holding first Western HS Championships in March 2020. Hoping to cross the bridge between HS and Sanctioned racing.
   d. Skills Quest – no discussion

8. New Business
   a. Discussion on sanction of two races in one day – would like to remove the rule, but do not want to see organizers cutting corners to have this happen. Concerns: inspection windows, no re set, too late in the day. Need to make sure they are quality races, standards upheld. Would like to have divisional and regional calendars set by November 1st.
      Ideas: Deadline for calendaring 2 in 1 races or Deadline for each National/Regional/Divisional calendar.
   b. FIS and National Speed Series – this committee continues to support this concept.
   c. Question regarding USCSA racing back into the fold, and yes there is discussing taking place.

9. Adjournment at 16:06
   Motion: John Manderfield; Second: Tao Smith; Motion carried

Minutes respectfully submitted by Lucy Schram
Alpine Rules Working Group

Summit A, DoubleTree Hotel, 1800 Park Avenue, Park City, UT

Wednesday, May 15, 2019, 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Minutes

Meeting Chair: Rogan Connell

1. Welcome and call to order
2. Review of committee membership and roll call (A quorum is present)
   - Chair - Rogan Connell
   - Immediate Past Chair - Gary Wright (absent)
   - Vice Chair - John Jett
   - At-Large - Thelma Hoessler
   - At-Large - Matt Howard
   - At-Large - Carl Guenzel
   - Guests - John Morgan, Caryn Jones, Roger Kimball
3. Review and approval of Agenda
   **Motion**: Matt Howard; **Second**: John Jett; **Motion carried**
4. Review and approval of 2018 Minutes
   **Motion**: Matt Howard; **Second**: John Jett; **Motion carried**
5. Old business Review status of ICR / ACR integration
   5.1 - Review and discuss status of updated Dual/Parallel rules
      - Recommend that Parallel races be defined as “Parallel” or “Parallel w/brackets” in future parallel proposals.
      - U1220 Team Competition will need to be renumbered as FIS parallel rules are adopted.
      - Parallel rules will be revisited after further work of the Parallel SL Task Force and when FIS confirms their updated Parallel rules.
6. New business
   6.1 - Motion: Replace
      ACR 601.4.2.3 The jury of a ladies race should when possible include a lady with
      ACR U601.4.2.3 The jury should when possible include a lady.
      **Motion**: Matt Howard; **Second**: John Jett; **Motion carried**
   6.2 - Motion: Add
      ACR U603.2.4 Course setter appointment should when possible include a lady.
      **Motion**: Matt Howard; **Second**: John Jett; **Motion carried**
   6.3 - Motion: Add
      ACR U1259.9 - Starting Procedure
      - See U613.4 (Start Signals)
      - See 622.2.3 (Start Intervals)
      **Motion**: Matt Howard; **Second**: John Jett; **Motion carried**
7. Adjourn
   **Motion**: Matt Howard; **Second**: John Jett; **Motion carried**
Alpine Classification Working Group

Summit A, DoubleTree Hotel, 1800 Park Avenue, Park City, UT

Thursday, May 16, 2019, 8:15 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Minutes

Acting Chair – Paul Mahre
Roll Call Committee Members: a quorum was established
Dave Waller
Jeff Weinman (Staff)
Beat Hupfer (W)
Thelma Hoessler (AL)
Cath Jett (RC)
Dan Chayes (E)
Julie Woodworth (E)
Gretchen Ransom (RC)


Motion to approve agenda: Dan Chayes; Second: Dave Waller; Motion carried

Motion to approve minutes: Dave Waller; Second: Dan Chayes; Motion carried

Review of Fall Adders – Waiting for FIS to finalize their new points system

Chair Report:
Motion to accept report: Dave Waller; Second: Thelma Hoessler; Motion carried

Review of Minimum Penalties
Motion: #4 = Recommendation: 40 for USSA minimum and 80 for substandard races (min VD, shorter-than time minimum, etc.). Based on FIS changes. Amended to 75 for substandard races not meeting vertical drop.
Motion: Dan Chayes; Second: John Jett; Motion carried

Staff Report: Staff found and corrected a process error in the parser that affected athletes with a single result. All results and lists were recalculated.

Review of Fewer than Five Finishers Race Calculation
Proposal to align with FIS: DH 310  │  SG 250  │  SL 145 GS 200  │  AC 250
Motion: Chayes; Second: Julie Woodworth; Motion Failed – table to 2020

Super G Run on Non-Homologated Hills – U0208 & U0209
Motion to score the event: Dan Chayes; Second: Dave Waller; Motion carried

Summer Races at Timberline - No requests at this time.

Gretchen Ransom left the meeting at 9:05

“Flagged” Races
Presentation by Waller - New Metric: Seed point difference
U1211 W GS Calculated Penalty: 56.70
Motion to accept as exceptional race: Dave Waller; Jeff Weinman; Motion carried
Motion to amend to trip one of the last two flags: Thelma Hoessler; Second: Beat Hupfer; Motion carried
Adder is 5 as calculated by Dave Waller.

U0691 W SL Calculated Penalty: 36.56
Motion to accept as exceptional race: Thelma Hoessler; Second: Dan Chayes; Motion carried
Motion to amend to trip one of last two flags: Thelma Hoessler; Second: Beat Hupfer; Motion carried
Adder is 20 as calculated by Dave Waller.

U1240 W GS Calculated Penalty: 28.84
Motion to accept as exceptional race: Dan Chayes; Second: Thelma Hoessler; Motion carried
Motion to amend to trip one of last two flags: Dave Waller; Second: Beat Hupfer; Motion carried
Adder is 8 as calculated by Dave Waller.

U1239 M GS Calculated Penalty: 21.35
Motion to accept as exceptional race: Cath Jett; Second: Beat Hupfer; Motion carried
Motion to amend to trip one of last two flags: Dan Chayes; Second: Cath Jett; Motion carried
Adder is 15 as calculated by Dave Waller.

Elections
Motion to elect Paul Mahre as chair and Dave Waller as AL member: Beat Hupfer; Second: Julie Woodworth; Motion failed

Motion to elect Dave Waller as chair: Cath Jett; Second: Thelma Hoessler; Motion carried

Ranking System Review Task Force
Create Task force to review ranking system and to recommend automatic adder based on top 20 as the FIS is reviewing led by Mahre. Comprised of Chayes, Gunesch, Mahre

Other Business:
Motion to recognize a member of the group as Vice Chair, request the ASC amend the ASC Operating Procedures to reflect the below-noted CWG membership definition, and accept the nomination of Paul Mahre as Vice-Chair: Thelma Hoessler; Second: Julie Woodworth; Motion carried

Motion to adjourn: Beat Hupfer; Second: Dan Chayes; Motion carried

The meeting adjourned at 10:45

New verbiage in bold/italic
CLASSIFICATION WORKING GROUP
In consultation with U.S. Ski & Snowboard staff, works on the computerized Alpine Points System (USSA Alpine Seeding List) as a method of ranking all classified competitors. The Working Group is tasked with maintaining the integrity & accuracy of the Alpine Point System and to analyze and report any suspected manipulation of same. The Classification Working Group meets once a year, in the spring; additional meetings may be called as necessary. The Classification Working Group consists of a Chair, Vice-Chair, immediate Past Chair, up to two at-large members and two representatives from each region. Ex-officio positions will not be permitted. The Chair and Vice-Chair are elected by the Classification Working Group members for four years and may serve a maximum of 2 (two) four-year terms. The Classification Working Group elections are in odd numbered years. The Vice-Chair is an active member and substitutes for the Chair in the Chair's absence. The Chair votes only to cast a deciding vote.
Alpine FIS Technical Delegates

Summit B, DoubleTree Hotel, 1800 Park Avenue, Park City, UT

Thursday, May 16, 2019, 8:45 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Minutes

Meeting Chair: Carl Guenzel

1. Welcome & call to order
2. Review of membership & roll call.
   - Paul Van Slyke Vice Chair
   - Chuck Hughes (Excused)
   - Jill Firstbrook
   - Hicks
   - Ted (Excused)
   - Perricone
   - Winters (Excused)
   - A quorum is present.
3. Approval of 2018 Minutes
   - Motion: Bill Hicks; Second: Roger Perricone; Motion carried
4. Approval of agenda
   - Motion: Bill Hicks; Second: Roger Perricone; Motion carried
5. Remembrance of Dr. Alan Bradford Hayes by Bill Hicks
6. Reports
   - East – Jill reported that the East had a good busy year with some great national events. They are working as a region with their ROS’s to increase the quality of their races. Jill reported that she is working with Sue Schwartz of Canada to implement a Women in Sport social at both east and west fall TD updates in an effort to get to know each other better and to encourage new women to consider being FIS TD’s.
   - Central – Grant Lindermer reported Central had a great season with no issues. Lutsen did have full fields.
   - Rocky – Roger reported that they did not have any full FIS fields this year. U16 Nationals was successful even with weather challenges. Walt Evans did his final event. Region is also reaching out to help ROC’s with race quality.
   - West – Bill reported west had too much snow. Alaska had to cancel a couple of early races due to no snow. West needs women TD’s.
7. Season Overview
   - Paul reported that the season was very successful and thanked all of the regional organizers for a great job in organizing filling all of the TD assignments.
8. New Business
   - Request was made to go back to the old TD expense form showing one total. There was some confusion by ROS’s with the split expense form.
   - Regions would like to have more TD exchanges and will work together on that.
   - Cost to become a National and FIS TD is becoming an issue. Paul and Carl to discuss with U.S. Ski & Snowboard Leadership to explore opportunities.
- We need new TD’s with a focus on getting more women involved. Our group is getting older and the need is going to increase over the next few years. East, Rocky and West are where the need is the greatest.

9. Closed Session – James Jensen was approved as a TD Candidate.

10. Adjournment

Motion: Jill Firstbrook; Second: Roger Perricone; Motion carried
Meeting Chair: Jim Hudson - present
Kristina Revello – Rocky/ Central Regional Rep
Sydney Koop – Rocky/ Central Regional Rep - absent (Joe Paul attend)
Sally Utter – Eastern Regional Rep - present
Beaty Schlueter– Eastern Regional Rep - present
Jeremy Ueland – Western Regional Rep - present
Dan Henry—Western Regional Rep - present
Jim Schaffner—Industry at Large - present
Haley Duke—Athlete Rep – absent
Kathy Okoniewski– U.S. Ski & Snowboard Staff

Guests: James Tautkus, Ashley Sargent, Eric Harlow, Kirk Dwyer, Michelle Lemay, Ron Kipp, Tracey Keller, Chip Knight, John Morgan, Rich Burnley, Davide Edry, Alice Black, Gill Hearn, Lester Keller, Peter Stokloza, John Horsch, Sharka Fabian, Karent Ghent, Darlene Nolting, Claudia Yamamoto, Darryl Whitaker, Mark Wedeking, Branko Zagar, Eric Garayoa, Brad Wall, Tim Hinderman, Steve Berlack, John Jacobs, Aldo Radamus, Mike Bowman, Terry DelliQuadri, Craig Krueger

1. Welcome and Call to Order
2. Review of Committee Membership and Roll Call. A quorum is present.
3. Review and Approval of Agenda
   Motion: Kristina Revello; Second: Sally Utter: Motion carried
4. Review and Approval of 2018 Minutes
   Motion: Dan Henry; Second: Sally Utter; Motion carried
5. Reports
   5.1.U12 and Under Task Force
      5.1.1.Sally Utter - Disseminate information to U14 and younger clubs, programs, coaches.
      5.1.1.1. “Pocket Guide” utilizing the Hive Platform for collaboration for grassroots
6. Old business
   6.1.Platform for sharing Information throughout skiing community - Sally Utter
      6.1.1. Pocket Guide coming out this season
   6.2. Gate Requirement for U14 SL races, 60 inch gate.
      6.2.1. Discussion - Current rule states that U14 and younger use 60”, U14 skiing up with U16 for races use course setting and gates for that age group.
      Motion: Jim Hudson; Second: Dan Henry; Motion carried
7. New Business
   7.1. Team Events
      7.1.1. Discussion - Need for written cadence for the start; FIS recommendations do no account for U14 and under; hiking should be allowed, at the U14 and under they should have a
second run; solving DNS by having additional forerunners (ghosts) to run with that athlete to maintain head-to-head competition; need to have course setting determined for each format- parallel, dual, single pole, team relay;

7.2. GS suits U12 and under - This proposal is for U12 and under competitions. We recommend each division hold two races next season (2019-2020) that do not allow speed suits showing. This is a one-year test and look forward to feedback next season. Races will be decided in each division.

7.2.1. Discussion - wearing a suit doesn’t necessarily add to the experience, part of the uniform, issues with accidents, comfort level and building confidence, team environment.

7.2.2. Amend to say recommend

    Motion: Dan Henry; Second: Kathy Okoniewski; Motion carried

7.3. Limited to use one ski for each race U12 and under. 2nd pair of skis is not allowed, one pair of skis must be used for both inspection and the race run. At no time can athletes, parent or coach carry skis to the start for the athlete. Athlete can be sanctioned.

7.3.1. Discussion - How would you police? Concern about more rules and stress on coaches and jury; coaches should be keeping an eye. Must be backed by educational piece. Developmentally, athletes should be freeriding on their race skis to reinforce good habits, puts the emphasis back on skiing. Reduce the cost of buying another pair of skis per event. Need to reinforce training system recommendations by supporting a rule that upholds this.

    Motion: Dan Henry; Second: Sally Utter; Motion carried

7.4. This proposal is for U14 and under races during all U.S. Ski & Snowboard sanctioned events. We propose a ban on all fluorinated wax use, including applying any additive wax during the day of the event at the race site. This ban is based on trust among parents, coaches, and athletes. If a jury member witnesses this at the race site, the athlete may be disqualified or may not be permitted to start.

7.4.1. Discussion - Who would monitor and when, how would you test, what would be the consequence; fluoro at U14 Champs; psychological effect of doing more to get an edge, and intensity; education piece of skiing skills vs. fluoro actually making a difference; level of fun and setting environment; prevent attrition; wax suppliers are already working to reduce harmful materials/compounds; unnecessary cost for a “gimmick”; add to the scope of the jury

7.4.2. Amend - Jury member witnesses additive or fluoro at the start of a race or race site, the athlete may be Not Permitted to Start or Disqualified.

    Motion: Dan Henry; Second: Sally Utter; Motion carried

7.5. Alpine Pocket Guide - to include the pocket guide as part of membership fee

7.5.1. Option to make an additional donation and get the pocket guide, knowing that the fee was going to the athletes may garner more support and spread education; structure of certification and education may hinder coaches from spending more money;

7.5.2. Amend - include option to make a $10 donation to Coaches Education or Athlete Development which includes the Pocket Guide and access to the online format.

    Motion: Jim Hudson; Second: Kristina Revello; Motion carried

7.6. Point of discussion - tabled for conference call at a later date

7.6.1. Course setting guidelines

7.6.2. International Children’s Racing

7.7. Athlete Rep - Nomination Kevin Keane

    Motion: Jeremy Ueland; Second: Sally Utter; Motion carried

8. Adjournment: Motion: Dan Henry; Second: Jim Schaffner; Motion carried
Meeting Chair: Paul Van Slyke

Members;
Carl Guenzel (Vice Chairman & FIS TD Working Group Chairman) – present
Rogan Connell (Rules Working Group Chairman) – present
Doug Hall (Courses Working Group Chairman) – present
Charlie Burnham (Honorary) – excused
Ingrid Simonson (Honorary) – present

1. Welcome and call to order: Meeting opened and welcome by the Chairman
2. Roll call and a quorum is present.
3. Agenda review and approval
   Motion: Carl Guenzel; Second: Rogan Connell; Motion carried
5. Reports/Action Items
   5.1. FIS TD Working Group
   a. Carl reported the TD Working group met and discussed many items – recruitment of new TD’s was a general theme and recruitment of women was discussed. Jill Firstbrook is working with Sue Swartz (CAN) to promote a women’s day on the Friday of the TD updates in both Calgary and Stowe this fall. TD updates October 18-21, 2019 Calgary, October 25-27, 2019 Stowe.
   b. Discussion about the cost of becoming a FIS TD took place and Carl & Paul tasked to discuss with leadership at U.S. Ski & Snowboard and ASC Chairman.
   c. Action – James Johnson accepted as TD Candidate
   5.2. Courses Working Group
   a. Doug reported courses had a good working meeting, noted that FIS homologations supercede any National homologation on a given course. Those courses with both National and FIS homologations will be reviewed and the national homologation will be purged from the ftp database. An updated inspection form will be generated with some review by U.S. Ski & Snowboard legal. We need some focus on certifying inspectors in Central.
   5.3. Rules Working Group
   a. Rogan reported they had a good session and the following changes were approved by the working group.
   b. Action: Replace ACR 601.4.2.3 The jury of a women’s race should when possible include a woman with ACR U601.4.2.3 The jury should when possible include a woman.
   c. Action - ACR U603.2.4 Course setter appointment should when possible include a woman.
   d. Action - ACR U1259.9 - Starting Procedure
6. New Business - none
7. Old Business - none
8. Executive Session (if required) - none
9. Comments/Questions from audience - none
10. Adjournment

   Motion: Carl Guenzel; Second: Rogan Connell; Motion carried
Alpine Quotas & Selection Working Group

Summit C, DoubleTree by Hilton, 1800 Park Avenue, Park City, UT

Thursday, May 16, 2019, 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Minutes

Meeting Chair: Beat Hupfer

Alpine Quotas & Selection Working Group

Peter Dodge – College Representative
Karen Ghent – R/C Region Representative
Bill Gunesch – West Region Director
Martin Guyer – East Region Director
Caryn Jones – R/C Region Representative
Dan Marshall – East Region Representative
Warner Nickerson – Athlete Representative
Darlene Noltin – R/C Region Director
David Salathe – East Region Representative
Troy Price – Salt Lake City, UT West Region Rep
Ryan Shorter – Wenatchee, WA West Region Rep

1. Call to Order 10:49
2. Roll Call – A quorum is present.
   2.2. Absent - David Salathe and Ryan Shorter
   2.3. Guests - Willy Booker, Lindsay Mann, Brewster McVicker, Angie Brown, Don Stellin, Toey Greenwood, Austin Nevins, Casey Puckett, and Darryl Landstrom

3. Approval of Agenda
   Motion: Dan Marshall; Second: Troy Price; Motion carried

4. Approval of Minutes
   Motion: Dan Marshall; Second: Troy Price; Motion carried

5. Reports

6. Domestic Quota
   6.1. Intent system difficult to manage and not used properly

7. International Licencing
   7.1. Working fine - Europe is more challenging than South America

8. Quota Proposals
   8.1. Nor Am Cup Quotas
      8.1.1. Motion: Chip Knight; Second: Troy Price; Motion carried
   8.2. U16 NPS Quotas
      8.2.1. Motion: Chip Knight; Second: Darelene Nolting; Motion carried
   8.3. U19 NPS Quotas
      8.3.1. Motion: Chip Knight; Second: Troy Price; Motion carried
      8.3.2. Motion to amend to remove women from the proposal: Troy Price; Second: Dan Marshall; Motion carried
8.3.3. Motion to amend to note that Development and Pace are only for the race, not the project, and that Pace must be in the Top 10 of at least one event contested within the races being held: Chip Knight; Second: Caryn Jones; Motion carried

8.4. US National Championships College Quota

8.4.1. Motion to amend proposal so that intents for College Quota will close 21 days out from the start of the U.S. National Championships: Darlene Nolting; Second: Karen Ghent; Motion carried

8.5. Intend and Confirmation Deadlines

8.5.1. Motion: Chip Knight; Second: Dan Marshall

8.5.2. Motion to amend to the first of the month prior to an event: Beat Hupfer; Second: Chip Knight

8.5.3. Motion to amend payment deadline moves from 7 days to 14 days: Troy Price; Second: Caryn Jones

8.5.4. Motion to amend to add a refund policy to refund the entry fee minus processing fee for injury or sickness with accompanying doctor’s note: Troy Price; Second: Karen Ghent; Motion carried

8.5.5. Clarification - This proposal applies to NorAm, NPS, and out of Region FIS level of racing.

9. National Junior Championships Quotas

9.1.1. Motion for Staff to develop a proposal and present to Quotas Working Group recommending Jr National Quotas by June 1, 2019: Chip Knight; Second: Troy Price; Motion carried

10. Adjournment – 12:55pm

Motion: Karen Ghent; Second: Troy Price; Motion carried
Alpine Technical Subcommittee

Summit B, DoubleTree Hotel, 1800 Park Avenue, Park City, UT

Thursday, May 16, 2019, 2:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Minutes

Meeting Chair: Douglas Hall

Alpine Technical Subcommittee
Paul Van Slyke – Immediate past chair
TBD – staff member
Gretchen Ransom – member at large
Chuck Hughes – vice chair and USA TD’s WG
Lucy Schram – AO Education WG
Dave Waller – Classifications WG
John Jett – Timing Experts WG

Guests: Matt Howard, Sam Ganow, Bill Dewey, Ingrid Simonson, Sue Schwartz, Dan Chayes, Thelma Hoessler, BB Baker, James Jensen

1. Welcome and call to order: 2:02
2. Roll call and a quorum is present.
3. Approval of Agenda

   Motion: Lucy Schram; Second: John Jett; Motion carried

4. Review and Approval of 2018 Meeting Minutes

   Motion: John Jett; Second: Lucy Schram; Motion carried

5. Reports and Action Items

5.1. Alpine Officials Education Working Group

   Lucy provided a synopsis of the WG meeting.

Action - to approve AO Education level 4 upgrades

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5.2. Timing Experts Group

John provided a synopsis of the WG meeting.
Some EETs are still being completed by the old method.
Group is working on developing guidelines for parallel event timing installations.
No actions.

5.3. US TD Working Group

Doug provided a synopsis of the WG meeting.
Action: to approve level 3 and 4 TD upgrades.

Move to level 4 TD:
- West - Christopher Armstrong
- East - Steve Howe and Kevin Nolan
- IMD - Troy Price
- RMD – Pete Dailey and Kristina Revello

Move to level 3 TD:
- East - Kip Blake and Curt Schramm

5.4. Classifications Working Group

Paul provided a synopsis of the WG meeting.

Actions -

5.4.1 Recommending a change to minimum penalties. 40 for USSA minimum and 75 for substandard races (min VD, shorter-than-time minimum, etc.).

5.4.2 To apply an adder to four races identified as exceptional: It should be noted that after the adder is applied all 4 races still result in a point improvement greater than 94% of all races held during the 19/20 season.

U1211 W GS Calculated Penalty: 56.70

Motion #7 Exceptional Race Waller/Weinman passed Hupfer abstain

Motion #8 Amended to trip one of the last two flags Hoessler/Hupfer passed

Adder is 5 as calculate by Dave Waller.
U0691 W SL Calculated Penalty: 36.56
Motion #9 to accept as exceptional Thelma/Chayes passed
Motion #10 Adder to trip one of last two flags Thelma/Beat passed
Adder is 20 as calculate by Dave Waller.

U1240 W GS Calculated Penalty: 28.84
Motion #11 Accept as exceptional Chayes/Thelma passed
Motion #12 Adder to race as above – Waller/Beat passed
Adder is 8 as calculate by Dave Waller.

U1239 M GS Calculated Penalty: 21.35
Motion #13 Exceptional: Cath/Beat passed
Motion #14 Adder to race as above Chayes/Cath passed
Adder is 15 as calculate by Dave Waller.

5.4.3 Election for chair and vice chair request D. Waller as chair and P. Mahre as vice chair
Motion to accept WG reports: Lucy Schram; Second: John Jett; Motion carried

6. Old Business - none
7. New Business - none
8. Adjournment
Motion: Paul Van Slyke; Second: John Manderfield; Motion carried
Alpine Executive Committee

Summit B, DoubleTree Hotel, 1800 Park Avenue, Park City, UT

Friday, May 17, 2019, 7:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Minutes

Closed Meeting

Meeting Chair: Darryl Landstrom

Alpine Executive Committee
Paul Van Slyke, Lake Placid, NY (Vice Chair and FIS Subcommittee Chair)
Karen Ghent, Edwards, CO (Development Subcommittee Chair)
Doug Hall, Maryland, NY (Technical Subcommittee Chair)
Jesse Hunt, Park City, UT (U.S. Ski & Snowboard Alpine Director)
Jess Kelley, Park City, UT (Athlete Representative)
Chip Knight, Park City, UT (U.S. Ski & Snowboard Alpine Development Director)
Craig Krueger, Helena, MT (Regional Subcommittee Chair/Western Region Representative)
Warner Nickerson, Tilton, NH (Athlete and Alpine Athlete Rep to the BOD)
Jon Nolting, Steamboat Springs, CO (Education Subcommittee Chair)
Bill Slattery, Buffalo Grove, IL (Immediate Past Chair)

Guests: Jeff Weinman, Park City, UT (U.S. Ski & Snowboard Competition Services Director; Beat Hupfer, Mammoth Lakes, CA; Breezy Johnson, Victor, ID

1. Welcome and Call to Order
2. Review of Committee Membership and Roll Call
   A quorum is present.
3. Review of Agenda
   Motion: Craig Krueger; Second: John Nolting; Motion carried
4. Reports
   4.1. General Comments – Landstrom
       Great meetings this week. Three important subjects have arisen:
       1. Non-members inside a race venue
          a. There doesn’t appear to be a way to effectively control this issue
       2. Sun Valley non-homologation
       3. Exceptional race analysis process
          a. Does the ASC Executive Committee support the work of the Classification WG?
             i. We need to remove emotion in the process
             ii. Should we allow public comments in the Classification WG?
             iii. Classification WG is looking into applying adders at the time of the event – review in process
   4.2. Judicial and Nominating Committee – Slattery
       No Judicial issues
       Karen Korfanta has been re-nominated for a two-year at-large term on the ASC
   4.3. Education Subcommittee – Nolting
4.3.1. Coaching Fundamentals Guide - This is important for Sport Education to prioritize but providing to all coaches is outside the budget of the department.

4.3.2. Coach certification should be required for access to the race venue by spring of 2022.

4.4. Development Subcommittee – Ghent

4.4.1. U14 and Under WG

4.4.1.1. Kevin Keane to replace Hailey Duke

4.4.1.2. U12 and Under Task Force will continue as part of this WG

4.4.1.3. Motion: U12 and under should not use a race suit

4.4.1.4. Motion: Limit U12 and under to one pair of skis per race

4.4.1.5. Motion: U14 and under are not allowed to use fluorinated wax

4.4.1.5.1. Discussion - should this be a rule for U12 and under?

        Agreement to move to U12 and under for all three proposals.

4.4.1.6. Motion: Include the Alpine Fundamentals Guide as part of coaches’ membership

4.4.1.7. Motion: Include the Alpine Fundamentals Guide as part of coaches’ membership

4.4.2. U16 and Older WG

4.4.2.1. Seeding at U16 Nationals

4.4.2.2. Foreign athletes at U16 NPS

4.4.2.3. NorAm Women’s quota revision

4.4.2.4. Men’s U19 NPS quota revision

4.4.2.5. Revisit quota and selections for NJC

4.4.2.6. Recommendation that U16 National and Regional Championships hosts work toward providing $90 lodging and meal cost per night

4.4.2.7. Task force to analyze race starts, athlete management, athlete performance, cost of sport, school attendance

4.4.3. Collegiate WG

4.4.3.1. Review U.S. Ski & Snowboard website for current collegiate information

4.4.3.2. U.S. Ski Team announcements by June 1

4.4.3.3. NorAm calendar to be finalized one-year in advance - coordinate around World University Games

4.4.3.4. NorAm course setters to include collegiate coaches

4.4.3.5. U.S. Ski & Snowboard leadership of World University Games

4.4.4. Quotas and Selections

4.4.4.1. U19 NPS quota revision

4.4.4.2. U16 NPS foreign athlete access only through national quota

4.4.4.3. U.S. Nationals college quota selection timeline

4.4.4.4. Intent and confirmation deadlines

4.4.4.5. Staff to present revised NJC proposal to include increased access for U18s

4.5. FIS Subcommittee – Van Slyke

4.5.1. Alpine Rules WG

4.5.1.1. Parallel rules to be considered by Parallel Task Force

4.5.1.2. Jury of a Women’s race should include a woman

4.5.1.3. Course setter rotation should include a woman

4.5.1.4. Combi Event start interval to be clarified

4.5.2. FIS TD

4.5.2.1. Updates in Calgary and Stowe
4.5.2.2. James Jensen to be TD candidate

4.5.3. Courses WG
4.5.3.1. Homologation educational day on Tuesday of Congress
4.5.3.2. FIS homologation supersedes U.S. Ski & Snowboard homologation
4.5.3.3. Homologation reports to be accessed from the FTP site or FIS site
4.5.3.4. New inspectors in training

4.6. Alpine Technical Subcommittee – Hall
4.6.1. National TD WG
4.6.1.1. Promotions
4.6.1.2. Increase TD per diem from $75 to $120
4.6.2. Classifications WG
4.6.2.1. Increase minimum penalty to 40; Substandard race minimum penalty to 75
4.6.2.2. Adders on exceptional races
4.6.2.2.1. Northstar W’s GS U1211 - 56.7 penalty: adder of 5
4.6.2.2.2. Middlebury W’s SL - 36.56 penalty: adder of 20
4.6.2.2.3. UNH Fundraiser W’s GS U1240 - 28.84 penalty: adder of 8
4.6.2.2.4. UNH Fundraiser M’s GS - 21.35 penalty: adder of 15

4.7. Regional Subcommittee – Krueger
4.7.1. Removal of requirement for exemption to host two races in one day
Discussion - keep rule but confirm November 1 deadline for exemption requests
4.7.2. What is the Regional Subcommittee role?
Discussion - information sharing and reporting from grassroots

4.8. Athletes – Nickerson
4.8.1. Thanks for all the discussions this week
4.8.2. Stefan Hughes to step down from ASC. Breezy Johnson will take his place.
4.8.3. Alternate Athlete Representative position will be determined in accordance with Athlete Liaison vote.

5. Old Business
5.1. Calendaring – 10/31/19 Submission to U.S. Ski & Snowboard
5.1.1. 11/1 deadline for two races in one day
5.2. NASTAR Integrated Scoring – next steps
5.2.1. To be confirmed in the Fall

6. New Business
6.1. Elections
6.1.1. Karen Korfanta re-nominated as at-large member for two years
6.2. Stop the Bleed – next steps

7. Adjournment
Motion: Doug Hall; Second: Craig Krueger; Motion carried
Alpine Sport Committee

Summit B, DoubleTree Hotel, 1800 Park Avenue, Park City, UT

Friday, May 17, 2019, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Minutes

Meeting Chair: Darryl Landstrom

Alpine Sport Committee

Darryl Landstrom, Wayzata, MN (Chair and Alpine BOD Representative) – present
Paul Van Slyke, Lake Placid, NY (Vice Chair and FIS Subcommittee Chair) – present
Mike Bowman, Winter Park, CO (Rocky Central Region Representative) – present
John Buchar, Park City, UT (Western Region Representative) – present
Karen Ghent, Edwards, CO (Development Subcommittee Chair) – present
Doug Hall, Maryland, NY (Technical Subcommittee Chair) – present
Tim Hinderman, Whitefish, MT (Western Region Representative) – present
Stefan Hughes, Boulder, CO (Athlete Representative) – present
Jesse Hunt, Park City, UT (U.S. Ski & Snowboard Alpine Director) – present
Beat Hupfer, Mammoth Lakes, CA (At-Large) – present
Jess Kelley, Park City, UT (Athlete Representative) – present
Chip Knight, Park City, UT (U.S. Ski & Snowboard Alpine Development Director) – present
Karen Korfanta, Heber, UT (At-Large) – present
Craig Krueger, Helena, MT (Regional Subcommittee Chair) – present
Dan Marshall, Manchester, NH (Eastern Region Representative) – present
Warner Nickerson, Tilton, NH (Athlete and Alpine Athlete Rep to the BOD) – present
Jon Nolting, Steamboat Springs, CO (Education Subcommittee Chair) – present
Joe Paul, Bloomington, MN (Rocky/Central Region Representative) – present
Bill Slattery, Buffalo Grove, IL (Immediate Past Chair) – excused
Tao Smith, Killington, VT (Eastern Region Representative) – present
Andrew Weibrecht, Lake Placid, NY (Athlete Representative) – present by phone

U.S. Ski & Snowboard Staff
Tiger Shaw, Park City, UT (U.S. Ski & Snowboard President/CEO) – excused

Honorary (non-voting)
Tom Winters, Tucson, AZ – excused

Guests: Darlene Nolting, Jeff Weinman, Lucy Schram, Dave Pym, Esther Delli Quadri, Sam Damon, Tory Amarello, John Jacobs, Kristina Revello, Jim Hudson, David Edry, Lindsay Mann, Riley Berman, Will Brandenburg, Ellen Adams, Gar Trayner, Anna Hosmer, Colleen Jamieson, Sue Schwartz, Gretchen Ransom, Angie Brown, Gail Barber, Molly J. Laramie, Kevin Chaffee, Marina Knight, Sean Higgins, Clair Brown, Mackenzie Moran, Jonathan Manderfield, Brewster McVicker, John Manderfield, Don Stellin, Ron Lawrence, Eric Webster, Julie Woodworth, Claudie Yamamoto, Lester Keller, Tami Strong, Ron Kipp, Lindsay Arnold

1. Welcome and Call to Order – Landstrom
   1.1. Thank you to everyone for the hard work and participation in the in the meetings throughout the week. Very productive meetings.

2. Review of Committee Membership and Roll Call
   A quorum is present.

3. Review and Approval of the Agenda
   Motion: Warner Nickerson; Second: Craig Krueger; Motion carried
4. Staff Reports - Hunt and Knight
4.1. Both Jesse and Chip thanked everyone for the very thoughtful discussion. Special thank you to the athletes for their engagement.

5. Reports
5.1. General Comments – Landstrom
5.1.1. Non-member coaches and officials in the venue. Due to SafeSport this is not allowed. The jury needs to be aware of this.
5.1.2. Homologation - there was an instance where there was an event that was held on a portion of a non-homologated hill. The jury needs to make sure this is not allowed.

5.2. Alpine Judicial Committee – Slattery
5.2.1. There were no issues this past season

5.3. Education Subcommittee – Nolting
5.3.1. Thank you to the subcommittee chairs for the good work and direction.
5.3.2. Advanced two clubs from Silver to Gold this year.
5.3.3. Stacey Gerrish is the new chair of the Coaches’ Education Committee
5.3.4. By spring of 2022 - Sport Education is working on coaches’ certification standards for coaches to be in the competition venue. Clubs need to start working on this as the implementation becomes closer.
5.3.4.1. As a point of reference – in order to coach at USASA Nationals, you must be a certified coach.
5.3.5. There is a task force put together to make a plan for moving forward
5.3.6. Alpine Fundamentals Pocket Guide - second edition is in the works. This is an incredibly valuable tool for coaches in the country. The goal will be to get the guide out ASAP along with finding innovative ways for the guide to get out to the community.

Motion to approve Education SC report: Tao Smith; Second: Doug Hall; Motion carried

5.4. Development Subcommittee – Ghent
5.4.1. Kevin Keane replaced the athlete rep on the U14 and younger working group.
5.4.2. U12 and under task force will become a part of the U14 Committee and will report to this committee on a yearly basis
5.4.3. PROPOSAL: At U12 and under competitions. We recommend each division hold two races next season (2019-2020) that do not allow speed suits showing. This is a one-year test and look forward to feedback next season. Races will be decided in each division.

Motion: Chip Knight; Second: Jon Nolting; Motion carried
5.4.4. PROPOSAL: U12 and under competitors are only allowed to use one (1) pair of skis per race (inspections & competition). Parents, coaches or technicians are not allowed to furnish additional pairs of skis for use during race day inspections or competition. Non-compliance may result in NPS or, depending on circumstance, DSQ (proven violation after start).

Motion: Chip Knight; Second: Jon Nolting; Motion carried
5.4.4.1. There was good discussion regarding this proposal. This is a good age to implement this rule. It will drive education to our membership. It will require communication to the clubs and coaches in the country so they can pass this information on to their membership. This should be a part of the Team Captains’ Meeting.

5.4.5. PROPOSAL: U12 and under competitors should refrain from using fluorinated wax. In any case, application of any type of waxing solution must not be applied at
U12 and under competition venues. Use of ski preparation benches at the U12 and under competition venue is not allowed.

**Motion:** Chip Knight; **Second:** Jon Nolting; **Motion carried**

5.4.5.1. Discussion was good regarding this issue. The to key to success will be education regarding a change in culture regarding this issue.

5.4.6. The U14 and under working group also discussed and put forward a proposal regarding the Alpine Pocket Guide to include the pocket guide as part of membership, include option to make a $10 donation to Coaches’ Education or Athlete Development which includes the Pocket Guide and access to the online format.

**Motion:** Chip Knight; **Second:** Jon Nolting; **Motion carried**

5.4.7. At U16 Nationals, the first-15 will be seeded randomly with the top-5 ranked athletes from each region in the contested event at the respective U16 Regional Championships. From bib 16, seeding will be determined by National points in the contested event. Regions will determine how to rank their top 5 athletes.

**Motion:** Tao Smith; **Second:** Jon Nolting; **Married carried**

5.4.8. Foreign athletes can qualify to compete in U16 National Performance Series through published national quotas. For each qualified foreign athlete, the published quotas will extend to the next U.S. athlete. Foreign athletes are not eligible for regional quotas or discretionary development selections.

**Motion:** Tao Smith; **Second:** Jon Nolting; **Motion carried**

5.4.9. Nor Am Cup women’s quota as presented Equal access to both Junior and Senior Women’s - 20 USST, 20 Junior and Seniors, 20 Development. This mirrors the men's quota.

**Motion:** Tao Smith; **Second:** Jon Nolting; **Motion carried**

5.4.10. Change in the men’s U19 NPS quotas as presented. Adjusting the men’s U19 NPS to 2001 to 5, 2002 to 10 and 2003 to 15.

**Motion:** Tao Smith; **Second:** Jon Nolting; **Motion carried**

5.4.11. Staff will put together a quota proposal for US Junior Nationals to be presented to the Quotas and Selection Working Group by June 1st.

**Motion:** Tao Smith; **Second:** Jon Nolting; **Motion carried**

5.4.12. To put together a task force to research athlete management and its relationship to athlete performance, cost, race starts and school attendance and other relevant issues and report to the ASC at the fall meeting and a full report at the ASC meeting in Spring of 2020.

**Motion:** Tao Smith; **Second:** Jon Nolting; **Motion carried**

5.4.13. Recommendation U16 Regional and National Championships hosts work toward a $90 lodging and meal cost per night.

5.4.13.1. Discussion - this would be difficult for many organizers to meet. Cost is always taken into consideration when scheduling and determining locations for Championship events.

**Motion:** Tao Smith; **Second:** Jon Nolting; **Motion carried**

5.4.14. Collegiate Working Group

5.4.14.1. Brian McLaughlin was added to the committee as an athlete rep

5.4.14.2. Recommendations: U.S. Ski & Snowboard continue discussions with USCSA to align the two organizations and continue collaborative work

5.4.14.3. College committee to review website and comp guide to make sure links and information are correct

5.4.14.4. To make sure the P26 program is a balanced program for the athletes and there is appropriate athlete management

5.4.14.5. Transparency in selections and naming of USST athletes
5.4.14.6. NorAm calendar to be finalized at least one year in advance
5.4.14.7. World University Games are in Lake Placid in 2023 and need to be taken into consideration when putting together the Nor Am calendar for that year.
5.4.14.8. Recommendation to include college coaches in the rotation of course setters at NorAm.
5.4.14.9. USOPC has given BTI all rights for travel of World University Games and the College Committee would request that U.S. Ski & Snowboard work with USOPC to take over management of the World University Games. Chairman stated that this is already in process.

Motion: Tao Smith; Second: Warner Nickerson; Motion carried

5.4.15. Quotas and Selections
5.4.15.1. US Nationals - College Quota Intents - Intents for the College Quota will close after the last NorAm or NPS event that is more than 21 days before the start of the U.S. Alpine Championship selections.

Motion: Beat Hupfer; Second: Warner Nickerson; Motion carried

5.4.15.2. Intents for each International event, NorAm, NPS, FISU and out-of-region events will open the first of the month preceding the month of the event. Intents will close 21 days prior to the first team captains' meeting. Athletes must confirm participation in the event 16 days prior to the first team captains' meeting to hold their spot on the selection board. Payment for domestic events are due 14 days before the first team captains' meeting, athletes must pay the ROC entry fee to hold their spot on the entry. Refunds will be provided for pulls of domestic events due to illness or injury.

Motion: Doug Hall; Second: Beat Hupfer; Motion carried

5.4.15.3. Table Parallel event discussion for the Parallel task force to consider and bring forward proposals at the fall meeting.

5.5. FIS Subcommittee – Van Slyke
5.5.1. Rules
5.5.1.1. Rules has deferred Parallel to the Parallel Task Force
5.5.1.2. Motion: To replace ACR 601.4.2.3 “The jury of a women's race should when possible include a woman” with ACR U601.4.2.3 “The jury should when possible include a woman”
5.5.1.3. Motion: ACR U603.2.4 Course setter appointment should when possible include a woman
5.5.1.4. Motion: Kombi rules to include starting procedures in U1259.9, referencing U613.4 (Start Signals) and 622.2.3 (Start Intervals)

5.5.2. FIS TD
5.5.2.1. Need to promote more women. Jill Firstbrook and Sue Schwarz will be putting together a women's seminar at the FIS TD updates. Next year's FIS TD updates are as follows: October 20-21 in Calgary and October 25-27 in Stowe, VT

5.5.2.2. JJ Jensen is being promoted as a FIS TD Candidate

5.5.3. Courses
5.5.3.1. Official site for Homologation will be the U.S. Ski & Snowboard FTP site
5.5.3.2. Inspection form will be updated.
5.5.3.3. New training for inspectors in training
5.5.3.4. Three new inspectors in training; Brian Hartman, Jay Moyer, Travis Widger
Motion to approve report as slate: Beat Hupfer; Second: Warner Nickerson; Motion carried

5.6. Alpine Technical Subcommittee - Hall

5.6.1. Classification

5.6.1.1. Statement of support from ASC for the work of the Classification WG

5.6.2. Alpine Officials

5.6.2.1. Approval of Level 4 upgrades

Motion: Doug Hall; Second: Karen Ghent; Motion carried

5.6.3. Timing

5.6.3.1. There are still some EET’s being done using the old method. The group is working on education to make sure sites are using the updated method.

5.6.3.2. Group is working on a parallel timing workbook

5.6.4. US TD Working Group

5.6.4.1. Motion to upgrade TDs: Kip Blake and Curt Schramm to level 3 and Christopher Armstrong, Steve Howe, Kevin Nolan, Troy Price, Pete Dailey, and Kristina Revello to level 4

Motion: Doug Hall; Second: Joe Paul; Motion carried

5.6.4.2. Increase to the U.S. Ski & Snowboard TD per diem to the same level as the FIS TD - from $75 to $120.

Motion: Doug Hall; Second: Karen Ghent; Motion carried

5.6.5. Classification Working Group

5.6.5.1. Minimum penalty to be 40

Motion: Doug Hall; Second: Craig Kruger; Motion carried

5.6.5.2. Substandard races to 70

Motion: Doug Hall; Second: Craig Kruger; Motion carried

5.6.5.3. Adder for Exceptional races

Motion: Doug Hall; Second: John Buchar; Motion carried

5.6.5.4. Tao Smith made a statement regarding the Exceptional race process. Darryl recommend that Tao work with the Classification Working Group to better understand the process.

5.6.5.5. The past chair was elected as Chair - Dave Waller as Chair and Paul Mahre as Vice Chair

Motion: Doug Hall; Second: Joe Paul; Motion carried

Motion to approve Alpine Technical SC report: Jon Nolting; Second: Jessica Kelly; Motion carried

5.7. Regional Subcommittee - Krueger

5.7.1. Thanks to Lucy for taking the minutes.

5.7.2. Deb Lewis replaced Lisa Densmore.

5.7.3. Lauren Beckos replaces Bill Skinner as the U.S. Ski & Snowboard staff member.

5.7.4. Each of the regions presented how their season went.

5.7.5. Chip reported the regions are working well together and very collaboratively.

5.7.6. Sam Damon reported on Ski Reg as an online payment system. He explained the process the East uses for entering races.

5.7.7. Regions reported on retention issues and strategies.

5.7.8. Masters’ course setting proposals

Motion to approve Regional SC report: Craig Krueger; Second: Joe Paul; Motion carried

5.8. Athletes - Nickerson
5.8.1. Thank you for all of the good discussion regarding the minutes
5.8.2. Let Warner know if you need an athlete rep on your committee
5.8.3. Stefan Hughes is stepping down from the committee and Breezy Johnson will be taking his place
5.8.4. Alternate athlete to the BOD

Motion to approve Athletes report: Warner Nickerson; Second: Tao Smith; Motion carried

6. Old Business

6.1. High School Task Force – Landstrom
   6.1.1. There will be a High School Regional Championship in the West in 2020

6.2. Collegiate Task Force – Knight
   6.2.1. There is a college white paper which is posted on the U.S. Ski & Snowboard website in the collegiate section

6.3. NASTAR – Madsen
   6.3.1. to present proposal to allow another year of integrated scoring this fall

6.4. Calendar submissions due to U.S. Ski & Snowboard by 11/1/19
   6.4.1. Discussion in Executive regarding two races in one day. Currently there is a requirement that “Exception” will remain in place until approved. Requests must be submitted not later than November 1st. This is a hard date and all request submissions must meet this requirement.

7. New Business

7.1. Nominations – Slattery
   7.1.1. To elect Karen Korfanta to the At-Large position for another two-year position.

Motion: Darryl Landstrom; Second: Craig Krueger; Motion carried

7.2. Stop the Bleed - Next Steps
   7.2.1. ASC recommends that all Alpine OC’s amend their medical plans to include: 1. Stop the Bleed Kit in the start pack, 2. An actual ski patrol person at the start and, 3. where avalanches are prevalent, an avalanche report be provided at the TCM.

Motion: Paul Van Slyke; Second: Tao Smith; Motion carried

8. Comments from Committee and Guests

8.1. Thank you to Darryl for all of his hard work and leadership over the year and during these meetings

9. Next meeting – Fall Conference Call TBD, after FIS Meetings in mid-October

10. Closing Comments – Landstrom

11. Adjournment

Motion: Doug Hall; Second: Craig Krueger; Motion carried
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