

CNISSF Alpine Meeting Minutes
May 2, 2014
Auburn Ski Club

10:00 a.m.

Attendance: Nevada Union Ski, Davis Ski, Oak Ridge ski, Mammoth ski and board, Quincy Ski, Yreka Ski and Board, Red Bluff Ski and Board, Shasta Ski and Board, Foothill Ski and Board, Enterprise Ski and Board, Place Snowboard, Truckee Snowboard, North Tahoe Board, Davis Snowboard, Ponderosa ski and board, El Dorado Ski and Board, Nevada Union Snowboard, Colfax Ski, Pleasant Valley Ski and Board, Chico Ski and Board, Del Oro Ski

Division Coordinators: Gregg Gunkel, Bill Treat, Walt Chrupalo, Ken Ramirez, Mark Faulkner, Brian Caldwell, Janine Porges

1. Thank you:
 - Auburn Ski Club for hosting our meetings
 - In this challenging snow season we would like to the race departments, school administrations and division coordinators for all their work, flexibility and communications to make races happen.
 - Dean Turner for a successful championships
3. Wrap up of the 2014 Championships (Turner)
 - Dean would like to thank Northstar for an outstanding championships.
 - thank you to the Central Coaches, Volunteers and to Bob Brewer for all of their work on the championships.
 - #1 item to focus on: results software. We will review with Bob Brewer and investigate what needs to take place in order to create the championships software in a fool proof method.
4. The 2015 season team and championships dues will remain the same, yet as we study the needs for our championships software update we may be looking for a fee increase going into the 2016 season.
5. 2015 Championships, March 1-5, 2015 Mammoth
 - please check the website for the itinerary as it is already in place.
 - Ken Ramirez spoke about housing block with Helms Brisco for the Mammoth area.
 - Dean will email the duties roster to S1 and S2 Division Coordinators so that they can prep the volunteer needs for the 2015 Championships
6. Reminder - Gate Cards can be ordered now with Bill Treat
7. Not all badges have been turned in from the championships. Names will be emailed out again. Reminder that we need to keep the cost

down on this requirement to show certified coaches, and returning your badges will help keep this cost down.

8. Matching the By Laws to the "yellow" book (Treat)
- a. Bob Brewer Motioned, 2nd by Ken Ramirez, passed unanimously
The Jury: USSA Alpine Competition Guide, 2014, 601.4 with the following additions:

Jury (Yellow Book Page 4):

Technical Delegate (~~Chairman~~ *Chairperson* of the Race Jury)

Referee

Chief of Race (also on the Race Committee)

The jury is responsible for all decisions pertaining to the race, for the arbitration of protests, and the upholding the rules. The jury ~~and technical delegate~~ must collaborate closely with the race committee through the chief of racer. Other members of the race committee, such as the chief of course, chief gate judge or the chief of timing, may be called upon to present information to the race jury, but they are not Jury members. The division coordinators will still meet and vote on penalty points and be present for discussion of all protests.

- b. Motion by Gregg Gunkel, 2nd Bob Brewer, Passed Unanimously
Racer Rules (Page 4):

For CNISSF events, hiking to clear missed gates is permissible in Slalom and Giant Slalom.

- c. Motion Bob Brewer, 2nd Gregg Gunkel, passed unanimously
Ski Binding Release: XVI CNISSF Bylaws and Yellow Book (Page 4) must agree.

From Yellow Book:

~~A binding release occurring more than two gates above the finish in slalom, giant slalom, super G or one gate in downhill, shall be a "clear disqualification". Racers may not continue on course.~~

From Bylaws:

A binding release occurring more than two gates above the finish in slalom, giant slalom, or super G, or one gate in downhill, shall be considered a "clear disqualification".

Racers may not continue on course.

A racer may finish on one ski within the last two gates; or

cross the finish line on no skis if he/she has fallen after passing through the last gate prior to the finish.

- d. Motion by Gregg Gunkel, 2nd Ken Ramirez, passed unanimously
Racer Participation, (Page 4, Yellow Book)

Add: *Ski Passage USSA 661.4.1*

A gate has been passed correctly when both the competitor's ski tips and both feet have passed across the gate line. If a competitor loses a ski without committing a fault, e.g. not by straddling a SL pole, then the tip of the remaining ski and both feet have passed the gate line.

This rule is also applies when a competitor has to climb back up to a gate.

If single pole slalom and single pole giant slalom courses are utilized, competitors must "loop" a missed gate for legal passage unless a gate is set with an outside pole such as the first and last gate and any vertical gates.

- e. Motion by Ken Ramirez, 2nd Randy Stein, 26-1 motion passes: in snowboarding one foot must remain attached to the board

- f. Motion by Gregg Gunkel, 2nd Mary Treat, passes unanimously
to clarify snowboard passage rule at the winter meeting.

Action Item: Dylan Omlin to provide further information to the CNISSF coaches by June 1 for further review and preparation of verbiage for this rule.

9. Injuries and Protocol: Coaches need to follow 'return to sport' guidelines set forth by each school's policies.

10. CIF by law: Rule 600 update

-update. Today the CIF By Law is going to vote at the CIF Commissioners meeting.

-if By Law 600 stands then Liz Kyle will be applying for an exemption for 'snow sports' in June. This is a year long process with an October reading, a February/May vote.

-a task force is being put together to work on the verbiage for this exemption along with an aggressive education for the CNISSF coaches to be presented at the 2014 Winter Meeting.

11. Mark Faulkner provided information regarding the 'donate here' link on his team's website and his signature line. Work with your school administrative secretary to help get one set up. Mark also provided information regarding the 'California Casualty' grant that is available for your team.
12. The Winter Meeting will be held on Friday, November 21st at 10:00am at Auburn Ski Club.