

## CNIISSF ALPINE MEETING SUMMARY APRIL 25, 2008

### 1. Members Present

Bear River, Bishop, Capital Christian, Chester, Chico, Colfax, Corning, Davis, El Dorado, Enterprise, Foothill, Golden Sierra, Mammoth, Mercy, NAWA, Nevado Union, North Tahoe, Oak Ridge, Placer, Ponderosa, Portola, Red Bluff, Rim of the World, Sacramento Country Day, Shasta, Tahoe Truckee, Union Mine, Weed, Yreka

### Members Absent

Amador, Argonaut, Bishop Quinn, Butte Valley, Etna, Ferndale, Lone Pine, Pleasant Valley, Quincy, Sultana, Tulelake

### 2. Wrap up of the 2008 Championships

a. What Worked - Championship Coordinator Lucy Schram gave a brief summary of the events and reminded members of the great job the staff at Northstar did - both on and off the race hill.

b. What Didn't Work - Lucy also noted that many racers were uneducated about the areas permissible for them to be in within the race arena. She also reported that there had been a shoplifting incident by a team member in a race bib.

c. Gatekeeping /Particularly Snowboard - Bill Treat shared some of the problems with gatekeeping including the gatekeeper who made bed of tree branches and proceeded to take a nap. He reported that there were parents gate keeping on the race course who had never gate kept before and that this was a problem. Lucy reported that Dylan Omlin and Mark Faulkner are creating a snowboard gatekeeping video which will be available at the Winter Meeting.

d. Too much time between runs on single run courses. (Adopted unanimously)

Add to Championship Guidelines - Ski Area Responsibilities (17.)

17. There will be 30 minutes for inspection of courses between the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> runs. This is for single run courses. There will be no inspection between runs of a dual

e. Run Order - (Adopted Unanimously)

Change Run Order - Championships Guidelines - Racer Selection (7.)  
Bylaws- XII. Championship Meets -Alpine (7.)

The order for ski will be N I , N II , Central I , Central II , South I , and South II . The order for snowboard will be N II , N I , Central II , Central I , South II and South I .

e. Time delay between 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> runs in dual format was discussed and coaches were encouraged to keep their racers on the hill so that the second run could start as soon as the second run order was ready.

f. Judy Flinn thanked the Championship Coordinator, Central II Snowboard, Central II Ski, and Central I for the fine job they did at the Championships.

### 3. 2009 Championships

Location/Schedule - The Championship Coordinator reported that the venue for the 2009 Alpine Championships had not yet been selected. Ski areas being considered are Snow Summit and Mammoth. Sponsors of the event are South I and South II . The location will be posted on the web site after Lucy has a chance to visit Snow Summit and the final decision is made. Dates for the Championships are March 2,3,4,5, (6) Alternate Dates are March 9, 10, 11, 12, (13)

4. Financial Report - Chairperson Judy Flinn briefly reviewed the financial report.

5. Setting of Dues for 2007-2008.

Ski/Snowboard/Nordic Dues - \$225.00/team

Alpine Championship Fee - \$200.00/school

6. Applications for Admission to the Federation - There have been no applications for admission to the Federation.
7. Report of the Re-alignment Committee - There will be no realignment for the 2008-2009 season. Any new teams joining the Federation will be placed in Central I if they are in the central portion of the state.
8. Changes in Wording (Adopted Unanimously)

- a. Championship Guidelines- Ski Area Responsibilities (12)

The course will remain set for 15 minutes maximum for re-runs or until the call is made by either the TD or Chief of Race to pull the course.

- b. Championship Guidelines - Ski Area Responsibilities (3)  
By-laws - V. Standardization of Events (3. d.) Ski

There will be 3 hairpins, a delay, and a flush per slalom course.

- c. Championship Guidelines -Coach Responsibilities (9.)

Divisions will submit championship team rosters via email in the format provided by the calculations chairman, aka Jack Morgan.

9. Coach Certification (Dec 2008) and Reminders - Bill Treat reminded all present that all coaches working with teams must be certified by December 2008. There is the possibility that the CNI SSF could provide another certification clinic if there is the demand for one.
10. Change in wording - Championship Guidelines -Racer Selection (1., 2., 3.,4.,8.) / Bylaws- Championship Meets-Alpine (1., 2.,3., 4., 8) (Adopted Unanimously)

1. The championship meet will be scheduled for four days. The meet will be invitational on the following basis. Each full team will bring a minimum of three racers per event. (Women's slalom, men's slalom,

women's giant slalom, men's giant slalom). A "full team" is defined to have three or more racers per gender. A team with less than three racers per gender is defined to be a "small team." Each racer must have started in two of three races in that event during the regular season to qualify as a racer.

2. Each division will rank their racers in slalom by combining the racer's points for his/her two best finishes. Each division will calculate 3 times the number of full teams in the division. This cut-off number determines the list of racers that coaches will use to determine which racers from their team will compete in the Championships. A team may take as many qualifiers as they have above the cut-off line. Teams without three members on this list will then select racers from the remaining list of slalom rankings. The same method of racer selection will be used for giant slalom.
3. A school with a small team (men/women in any discipline) may take 0-2 team members to the Championships in each event providing that each racer has started in two of three races in that event. The racer(s) from the small team will be placed in the run order for the division based on points earned by that racer. (Normal placement).
4. If a racer from a small team is ranked above the cut-off line (defined in 2 above), the cut-off line is increased by one. This results in one more racer on the division start list for this event. If the racer added is also from a small team, the cut off line will again be increased by one. This process will be repeated until the racer just above the cut off line is from a "full team".
8. Any racer from above the cut-off line who does not participate will not be replaced. Should this non participation by a racer above the cut-off line cause a "full team" not to have a team of three racers qualifying in that event, the "full team" may take one more racer (for a total of three) if the team has another qualifier farther down the list.

### 11. Bylaw Change – XI. Race Schedules (3.) (Adopted by Majority)

Races may be rescheduled to a non-bye date by approval of a 75 % of the schools in the division. (One vote per school)

### 12. Reminders about Volunteer or Privately Paid Coaches (Flinn)

CNI SSF coaches must screen all volunteer/privately paid coaches and verify that these individuals meet all the criteria for coaching in their school district. This includes but is not limited to fingerprinting, possession of a valid First Aide Card, CPR Certification, and all other district requirements. Please verify with your athletic director that all “coaches” have met the school district requirements before working with your team. It is recommended that all coaches be approved by the school board to transfer the liability to the school district.

### 13. Proposal to Implement Pilot CNI SSF Halfpipe and X-Cross Competitions

Chris Leonard and Jimmy Morning presented a proposal for a pilot program for two new optional events for ski/board teams. These events are Ski/Board Cross and Half-Pipe. These would be in addition to the regular slalom and giant slalom competition. Athletes on the team would need to compete in slalom and giant slalom and could elect to participate in the pilot program events

- a. A hand poll was taken to see how many coaches had discussed this proposal with their principal and/or athletic director.
- b. Each school was polled to see if they had discussed the proposal with school administrators and what the outcome of the discussion was. The coach reporting was also asked for his/her comments on the proposal.

Concerns discussed were: separate racer release forms, lack of well trained coaches and judges for these events, additional days out of school for athletes, safety equipment/tactics, and additional cost.

Following this discussion, divisions will decide whether to implement none, one or both of the pilot programs for the next season. Divisions in the pilot program will keep data to be shared at the 2009 Spring Meeting. SEPARATE PARENTAL PERMISSION SLIPS ARE REQUIRED FOR PARTICIPATION IN THESE EVENTS.

14. Judy Flinn reported that the records of the CNI SSF are being archived in the Western Ski Sports Museum at Boreal Ridge.
15. Election of Chairperson – Judy Flinn was elected Chairperson.
16. Judy thanked ASC for once again hosting the meeting and Robin Burke, our superior chef, for the excellent (as always) lunch.
17. Division Meetings were held.

Alpine Championships March 2,3,4,5,(6)  
Alternate Dates March 9,10,11,12,(13)

Fall Meeting TBA ASC 10:00 a.m.  
Spring Meeting TBA ASC 10:00 a.m.