

USTSA BOD Conference Call Minutes January 17, 2011

Present: Russ Hobbs – President, Eric Lamb – Vice President, Josh Lanzetta – Secretary, Ken Gay – Treasurer, Tory Hauser – Events Director, Jim Stein – FIS Rep, Roy McKinstry – Regional Team, Chad Bowdre – SSWSC, Linda Hobbs – Member

1. Minutes accepted from 12-6-10
2. FIS Update - Jim
 - a. FIS minutes have not been distributed
 - b. Proposal from SSWSC for 2015 World Championships, Junior World Championships and 2014 and 2012 WC, waiting for USSA signature
3. Comp Guide Update
 - a. Wording below accepted
4. Finances
 - a. Review revised budget for remainder of 2010-2011 season
 - i. Distribution for team members - Approved
 1. A Team (7) = \$275 (credit nationals and world championship registration—must attend nationals for any funding)
 2. B Team (4) = 100% registration at nationals
 3. D Team (1) = 75% registration at nationals
 4. Regional (10) = 50% at nationals
 - ii. Need to make clear that this might not happen every year.
 - b. Russ and Linda will bill team members for 50CH for FIS fees
 - c. Norway WC registration – all monies will run through USTSA
 - d. Russ & Linda to work with accountant for non profit tax return (990ez). Cost should be \$200-\$300.
5. BOD Bios in the works
6. Sponsorship
 - a. Kneepads and Wax have been distributed, except small kneepads
 - b. Chaos Hats ready for distribution
 - c. Waiting for Speedsuits (possibly week of January 26) (Rick Walters is only team member without a speedsuit at this time and we have sold 3 suits from last year to Cole, Larry and Chris)
 - d. Eric to attend SIA – January 27-30
 - e. Big sky made 1 new banner—eBay 2 old banners
7. Schedule
 - a. Selkirk Classic, changed to February 13th
 - b. Whitefish Sprint – February 26
 - c. Eldora Sprint – February 26

- d. Sunlight Sprint – changed to March 5
 - e. Nationals – March 24-27
 - f. Slovenia races cancelled, US racers will travel with Danish Team between now and Austria races
 - g. Switzerland/France/Spain - Roy has invitations and will register Shane/Maura, Cory, Madi/Roy, Zoe/Kenneth, Jack /Parents. Aiden Rohde will be attending also.
 - h. Norway – Roy will register, note that there will be a trial parallel sprint held on the 3rd day at Rjukan
8. AGM at Nationals – Russ will run for re-election, asked Eric to think about what he will do, as Vice President position is also due for election.
- 6.5.1 Correct passage of gates occurs when both the competitor’s ski tips and both feet have passed across the gate line. This rule is also valid when a competitor has to climb back up to a gate.
- 6.5.1.1 The gate line in Telemark, SC and Classic, where a gate consists of two pairs of poles holding banners between them, is the imaginary shortest line between the two inner poles at snow level. Where a gate consists of a single pair of poles holding a banner between them, the gate line is the imaginary shortest line between the inside turning poles.
- 6.5.1.2 The gate line in a single gate SL set is the imaginary shortest line between the inside turning poles. ~~turning pole and the outside pole~~. In a single pole slalom set, the gate line is the imaginary shortest line between the two turning poles.
- 6.5.1.3 In the event that a competitor removes a pole from its vertical position before both of the competitors ski tips and both feet have passed the gate line, the ski tips and feet must still pass the original gate line (marking in the snow).
- 6.5.1.4 If a racer misses a gate, he may climb back to the gate, either around the outside of the gate and then through the gate or climb up between the gate poles, crossing the “gate line”, turning and then skiing through the gate. Both of the competitors’ feet must pass across the gate line heading down the hill.
- 6.5.1.4.1 In a single gate set, if the racer has not correctly passed the imaginary line from inside turning pole to inside turning pole and does not follow the natural race line, then he has to climb back up and pass around the missed gate
- 6.5.1.4.2 In a single pole set often used in Slalom races, if the racer has not correctly passed the imaginary line from turning pole to turning pole and does not follow the natural race line, then he has to climb back up and pass around the missed turning pole.
- 6.5.1.5 Failure of correct passage of any gate shall result in a disqualification recorded by that gatekeeper or official.
- 7.2.14 Single Pole Course Set
- 7.2.14.1 All rules specified in Section 7.2 of the Comp Guide remain valid, except as follows:
 - 7.2.14.2 A single pole set has no outside poles, except for the first and the last

gate, delay gates and combinations (hairpin vertical).

7.2.14.3 Where there is no outside pole, both feet and ski tips must have passed the turning pole on the same side, following the natural race line of the course. If the racer has not correctly passed the imaginary line from turning pole to turning pole and does not follow the natural race line, then he has to climb back up and pass around the missed turning pole.

7.2.14.4.1 Where there is an outside pole (first and last gate, delay gate and combinations), crossing the "gate line" (imaginary shortest line ~~from turning pole to outside pole~~ between the two turning poles as specified in 6.1.5.2) is adequate

Carry Over

- a. Slalom or Dual Sprint at Nationals (is there a draft of FIS rules yet?)
- b. Points implications of replacing slalom with a dual sprint.
- c. Criteria for using savings earmarked for Education
- d. Ad in Telemark Magazine – Linda is working with Jon Howard about how USTSA can partner with the magazine for benefit of both.
- e. Work to get our sponsors to put our logo in their advertising; “Proud Sponsor of USTSA”, similar to what CW-X did this year.
- f. Tory and Josh Madsen have discussed possibility of a video/podcast that would be panel discussion about gear with our athletes. Possible posting on Telemarktips and Telemark Skier Magazine
- g. How do we get some of the other telemark youth programs involved (Tahoe, Park City, Alta, Vail, Aspen) , possibly send some of our racers to ski with them, talk about USTSA, how racing builds good skiers.