Annual General Meeting Minutes

March 3, 2017, 5:17 PM MT

Board present at meeting: Garrett Long – President, Keith Rodney – VP, Cary Foulk – Secretary, Cory Snyder – Events Director, JT Robinson – Freeski Director, Nate Greenberg – Freeski Officiating. Approximately voting 20 – 30 members present.

1.) Meeting initiated by Garrett Long.

2.) Garrett introduces freeskiers: JT Robinson and Nate Greenberg.
   a. Nate and JT introduce themselves.
   b. Nate – judging for 8 years at Targhee, 10 – 12 years total
   c. Nate noted that the 105 freeskiers competitors is the largest turnout in quite a few years.

3.) Discussion of goals for telemark with Garrett, JT, Nate and the floor.
   a. Move USTSA away from being race only.
   b. Expand organization into more areas.
   c. Need to make more tele skiers.
   d. The larger organization has better exposure and gets people interested.
   e. BOD will work to expand exposure.
   f. Josh Madsen is engaging and will help promote and provide media exposure.
   g. PSIA is also linking with USTSA.

4.) With conclusion of freeskis and combined USTSA discussion, vote is called on reaffirming freeskis directors.
   a. JT Robinson is nominated and seconded for Freeski Director
      i. Hand vote was called on electing JT Robinson Freeski Director
      ii. Overwhelming majority voted for JT Robinson as Freeski Director
   b. Nate Greenberg is nominated and seconded for Freeski Officiating Director
      i. Hand vote was called on electing Nate Greenberg
ii. Overwhelming majority voted for Nate Greenberg as Freeski Officiating Director

5.) Garrett present discussion of event plans for 2017/18 and beyond.
   a. USTSA is in discussion with FIS for World Cup events in New England.
      i. Sugarbush and Suicide Six possible host areas.
      ii. FIS may contribute funds for livestreaming event.
   b. Possible freeride events are being explored for east.
      i. Because of terrain challenges in NE, may look at other freeski type events, such as timed off-piste race.
         1. Off-piste course may be more doable with better public exposure.
      ii. Look at doing something at Midwest Telefest.
      iii. Look at bring in uphill-downhill races.
      iv. Comp guide has flexibility to have more variable terrain in a tele race, e.g., moguls. That could help organization get creative.

6.) Officer election for remaining board position up in 2017.
   a. President
      i. Garrett Long indicated his willingness to serve as President again.
      ii. Garrett is nominated and seconded for President.
      iii. Garrett is elected by overwhelming show of hands.
   b. Secretary
      i. Cary Foulk is not running again.
      ii. Jeffery Gay indicated he would run for Secretary.
      iii. Jeffery is nominated and seconded for Secretary.
      iv. Jeffery is elected by overwhelming show of hands.
   c. Treasurer
      i. Melinda Long has indicated willingness to run again for Treasurer by proxy (Garrett Long).
      ii. Melinda is nominated and seconded for Treasurer.
      iii. Melinda is elected by overwhelming show of hands.
   d. Events Director
      i. Cory Snyder indicated his willingness to serve as Events Director again.
      ii. Cory is nominated and seconded for Events Director.
      iii. Cory is elected by overwhelming show of hands.

7.) Other Items
   a. Next year’s Nationals will likely be in New Hampshire.
b. Considering working toward more multi-day events opposed to single day events held this year.

c. Team nominations are expected at the end of March and acceptance will be in 30 days from nomination. This helps with planning and sponsors.

d. Karbon would like more free skiing pictures.

e. Looking at ski sponsors - Rossignol (Keith) and Fischer have good potential.

f. POC may offer 50% off.

g. Freeski is looking for more events, doing ranking, which could lead into naming a team.

8.) Meeting Concluded.