



**April 19th, 2023 Board Meeting Minutes**  
**Virtual Meeting Via Zoom**

Meeting called to Order by Justin Bloyer at 7:12pm

**Officers in Attendance:**

Justin Bloyer - President  
Bob Bulfer - VP  
Steve Weber - Treasurer  
Anna DeNeut - Stand in Secretary

**Unable to Attend:**

Maddy Wegleitner - Junior Dev.  
Dan Larson - Secretary

**Other Members in Attendance:**

Scott Gordon  
Kevan Fager  
Herb Schulte  
Steve Nelson  
Kate Knafle  
Greg Anklan  
Darren Janzig  
Peter Dahl

**Officer reports:**

Secretary's Report – Reviewed Minutes from last meeting. Motion to approve Steve Weber, Seconded by Justin Bloyer. Motion to Approve Carries.

Treasurer's Report –No significant changes to the bank accounts. Junior development registrations have slowed down and we have started to receive tournament registration. Balances are expected to increase as the summer approaches and more individuals register for tournaments.

Have paid the following expenses:

Sanction fees for 2 of our 3 tournaments  
Rental fee for banquet at state tournament  
AWSA club dues

**Committee Reports:**

Officials Committee – Nothing to report

Web/Media – Nothing to report

Junior Development – Open for spots in NG, one spot at quarry available.

Boats? Will have to play it by ear as it gets closer to see which boats will be used at what site.

### **New Business:**

eyeTrick – New electronic way to call tricks using AI. Approved for tournaments by Pan Am Waterski Council. How it works (as we understand it) – Each judge will have a tablet with eyeTick and the trick run loaded into the system. The judge selects the first trick and the program will predict what the next trick will be. As the judge calls the run, expected tricks will appear on the side bar. The program uses AI to determine the most likely next tricks / trick sequences for the judge to select. The system reconciles the judges' individual passes to score the passes.

Pricing – Pricing for the program is still being worked out. The group will discuss feasibility when made available. Per tournament or lifetime pricing?

Ownership – Program requires Samsung tablets. MWSA currently does not have a budget for tablets. More discussion to follow.

Applicability to AWSA – Still not approved for AWSA tournaments. Website indicates that the program is not yet ready for consumer download. The group agreed that we should be ready to use it in our tournaments once it's approved by AWSA.

### **Old Business:**

Junior Development - Registration closed everywhere except for New Germany.

Total of 26 skiers (4 at New Germany, 14 at Center City, 8 at Quarry). Registration is down compared to prior years.

Darren to see if we can get an advertisement out to USSA families.

Members to see if there is interest in show ski community (Shakopee, River Rats, etc.)

Trophy Budget – The group is looking for trophies to present at state that kids will enjoy but is cost efficient. Idea: Overall trophy for each division and medals for each event. 10 trophies (5B, 5G) for overall, 90 medals (10 divisions \* 3 events \* 3 places) for 1st-3rd place. Steve and Herb to touch based on pricing options and bring proposal back to the group in May.

Ski Sponsorship - Received 2 applications

Elizabeth O'Callahan – Will use sponsorship to help pay for a trip to Picko's Ski School to prepare for the NCWSA All-Star tournament in May.

Ryan Schipper – Will use sponsorship for a new slalom ski.

Justin makes a motion to accept both applications; seconded by Bob. Motion to Approve carries.

Tournament Formatting - Darren informed the group that MI and OH have ski leagues on weekday nights in the summer. Team format - some states have 3 events, some just have slalom. They have tried to get recreational ranking system to pair skiers up with other skiers of similar ability, but it doesn't work great on a local level.

- GMO – New Germany June 24-25
- MN State – Center City July 22-23 Sanction is submitted but not approved yet. Darren to send Steve the edit code.

- Fall 2 Round – Quarry Lake September 9-10
  - Potential to move this tournament to Center City to give those at Quarry with Sat/Sun time slots the lake back.
- Herb to ask Steve Melcher if he has a preference on location.
- Officials – Still determining officials for 2023 tournament.
  - Darren to update officials dashboard.

Ski Nights - Will facilitate registration through SportsEngine (website).

- July 13 – Twin Lake (Crystal), hosted by Scott Gordon
- July 12 -
- June date TBD – Justin's lake
- New Germany discussing potential dates with club next week.

**Next Meeting Date: Tuesday May 16th, 2023 at 7 pm**

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88963360988?pwd=aUtsUGZzQ0VGY0NSRmJMVnhNMmtBQT09>

**Meeting Adjourned by Justin Bloyer at 8:42 pm**