

**Northern Lights Snowmobile Club**  
**BOARD MEETING – August 13, 2019**

The Board Meeting was held at Jay Schuette's home on August 13, 2019 at 6:30 pm. Board meeting attendees were: Jay Schuette, Jerry Gilbertson, Eric Wick, Joyce Nykolayko, Jim Nykolayko, Karl Gaffron (arrived at 7:23 pm), Dave Wheeler, Karen Vedigar, and Sue Frank.

The Board discussed the number of Board Members. There was a motion by Eric Wick, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jerry Gilbertson to have up to ten Board Members. All ayes.

**BY-LAWS** – The Board discussed updating the by-laws to coincide with the change in the AWSC membership year. Motion by Eric Wick, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim Nykolayko to replace Article II, Section 3 to read: Annual membership and dues shall run concurrent with the annual membership period of the Association of Wisconsin Snowmobile Club (AWSC) which is currently July 1 – June 30. New members joining after February 1 may elect to apply their dues to the following membership period. All ayes.

Motion by Joyce Nykolayko, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dave Wheeler to change Article III, section 2 to up to four other members instead of two. All ayes.

Motion by Joyce Nykolayko, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Eric Wick to add to Article IV, Section 1: The fiscal year runs from September 1 through August 31. All ayes.

**BOARD MEETING DATES** – After some discussion, the Board agreed to have the President call for a meeting as needed.

**CLUB MEETING DATES** – The general meeting dates for the 2019-2020 season were determined as follows with all meetings beginning at 7:00 pm. The meetings are held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of each month with the exception of the March meeting. The first meeting will be on September 23 at Pike's Pine Isle with the remaining meetings as follows: 10/28/19, 11/25/19, Christmas Party at Bonnie's Lakeside will be on Saturday, December 7, 1/27/20, 2/24/20, and 3/16/20.

**OVERNIGHT RIDE**- Dave Wheeler provided the Board with the information that he and Joe Maschke organized on their tour of the Mercer area. The ride will be leaving on February 4 and returning to Three Lakes on February 7, 2020. To summarize, 30 rooms have been held at the Great Northern Hotel, Mercer, WI (Great Northern Mercer.com, 715-476-2440). There are 3 room options from \$99 - \$129/night. Mention NLSC for discounts. December 21 is the deadline for reservations in this room block. The hotel has a hot tub, bar, restaurant, and trailer parking space available. The banquet is scheduled for Tuesday, February 4, 2020.

The Board discussed the standard amount allowed for banquets with \$500 noted as the standard amount. There will be some discussion with Club Members at the November Club Meeting.

**WEEKLY RIDES** – President Schuette apprised the Board of some complaints regarding the speed during some the rides last year. Discussion followed. There will be rides on Tuesday – Friday although leaders are needed to accommodate the four days. President Schuette will be seeking leaders at the September 23 Club Meeting. There is a Friday ride lead by Linda Schuette from 10 am – 2 pm for easy riders.

**NEWSLETTER** – Joyce Nykolayko will be working with Karen Vedigar to publish the monthly newsletters. The September newsletter should include a reminder to all to renew as their memberships expired on June 30.

**GROOM TO RIDE (FORMERLY RIDE WITH PRIDE)** – The Board discussed some events to sell tickets to include Octoberfest on September 14 in front of the Black Forest. Joyce will contact Heather to ask for permission to sell in front of the Black Forest. Jim Nykolayko will try to get the snowmobile or ATV to display during Octoberfest. A signup sheet will be available at the Club Meetings for selling tickets.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND REVIEW** – Joyce Nykolayko presented the 8/13/19 Financial Statement which showed a net income of \$377.24 and an ending bank balance of \$1,590.04. The review will take place after the fiscal year end of 8/31/19. Joyce noted that membership dues increased by \$1,000, donations were up by \$2,000, the Christmas party raised \$1,000 more than the previous year, and donations to Three Lakes Trails was up \$4,000. There was a motion by Dave Wheeler, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim Nykolayko to accept the financial statement as presented. All ayes.

### **OTHER ITEMS**

Karl Gaffron notified the Board that a warming the children drive will be taking place as part of the AWSC whereby they are seeking donations of hats and gloves. The Board suggested the individuals should attend the next club meeting to present their information.

Joyce Nykolayko read a letter from the AWSC's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee which included a check for \$125. It was determined that this check belonged to TL Trails. This money will be forwarded onto them.

Joyce Nykolayko asked the Board if the Club wants to include the membership form on the back of the trail map at a cost of \$300. After some discussion, there was a motion by Karl Gaffron, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim Nykolayko to go forward with the membership form on the map. All ayes.

Dave Wheeler inquired about an insurance policy for Club Directors. Joyce Nykolayko explained that the Club has an insurance policy that covers Directors and she will get a copy of the policy for the Board.

Jerry Gilbertson noted that his name is currently on the NLSC website as President. He asked to have this changed to the new President, Jay Schuette and to review all of the other positions and names.

Jerry Gilbertson mentioned the need for a vendor tent. The Board asked Jay to place this item on the agenda for the September 23 Club Meeting.

Jerry Gilbertson mentioned that he was notified by a Club member that the NLSC is not listed under Clubs in the Three Lakes Chamber's booklet. Joyce Nykolayko offered to take a look into this and resolve it.

Karl Gaffron has been working with the new Forest Ranger to have more tables available at the trail area for the weenie roast.

There was a motion by Sue Frank, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Karen Vedigar to adjourn at 8:29 pm.

The next board meeting will be determined.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sue Frank, Co-Secretary