

Western Michigan Region Meeting Agenda

January 9, 2018

Present:

Chip Knappen	Kyle Jones	Gary Bottomley	Lourie Hurley
Sue Brann	Kevin Barrons	Dennis Menke	Doug Mesara
John Donnelly	Kathy Brennan	Shawn Rhoda	Kayleigh Jones
Hal Froot	Don Smith	John Mallot	
Rog Brands	Doug Haase	Maddie Dodson-	
Chip Hurley	Erica Krol	Garrett	
Jackie Bottomley	Pat Livingston	Adam Medema	

I. Call to Order

John Donnelly 6:30pm

II. Approve Minutes from Previous Meetings:

A. October 17, 2017

All agreed that the electronic review is OK, however J. Donnelly is going to check P & P to make sure there is no conflict

III. Agree on agenda or adjust as needed.

OK agreed to move on

IV. Treasurers Report - Adam Medema/John Donnelly

a. Current Financial Position

-Waiting on dues from National

-See A Medema if you have any questions

- Please keep on top of any reimbursements so to keep books current and up to date

Motion was made by C Knappen and 2nd by E Krol to except the treasures report(Passed)

b. Upcoming Audit

J Donnelly and A Medema work to set it up

V. Update Contact/Program Information – Website – Advisors and Patrol Reps

a. Review content and advise Jon Kelder of changes

-J Kelder is working Central Division to make changes on Centrals website about WMR

-J Donnelly checking to see who has access to region roster

- R Brands asked again to have awards area of website brought up to current
- J Kelder is working to make site an easier tool to use

VI. Old Business:

a. Revisions to Calendar (if any)

Send to J Donnelly

b. Budget needs

Just let A Medema know if there will be any changes

c. Blue & Gold

Will be coming out in the next week or so if you have any article send to M Chapman

d. Recruiting

Section Chiefs to talk to PD's for what they need or are looking for when it comes to recruiting

e. Fund Raising

L Hurley gave presentation on Spartan/Nash program where you collect \$150,000 in receipts and you're nonprofit receives \$1,000 cash and she agreed to head up providing all patrols with info to post at the local hills for region funding

f. Filling Open Positions

J Donnelly is working to fill Secretary and Awards positions by next meeting. If you know anyone interested send their information to John



NSP West Michigan Region Fund Raising Opportunity

Do you, your family and friends shop at any SpartanNash retail stores (Family Fare/D&W/Forest Hills Foods)?

If you keep your full receipts, our WM Region has the opportunity to receive \$1000!!! All you have to do is shop and save your full receipts.

Here are the details for the SpartanNash Direct Your Dollars Program:

- For every \$150,000 collected in eligible receipts, Spartan-Nash will donate \$1000 to our NSP WM Region
- There is *no limit* to the number of times our Region can submit for the Direct Your Dollars Program \$1000 reward (only given to 501c3 organizations)
- Receipts from any one of the 150 SpartanNash owned retail stores or Fuel Stations are eligible
- Ask your family, friends and coworkers to give you their full receipts
- When you come in your Patrol Room for a shift, drop your receipts into the provided envelope
- Once the envelope is full, the receipts will be given to Lourie Hurley (Crystal Mt)
 - She will sort and track all receipts
 - Once \$150,000 in eligible receipts are collected, she will work with her local SpartanNash store to receive the donation for our WM Region
- Keep collecting receipts all year round. The more we collect, the faster we can achieve the \$150,000 needed! During non-winter months, a different method of collection will be determined.
- We will ask all patrollers in the Region to participate. Information will be provided via the *Blue & Gold*, Patrol Directors emails to individual patrols and the envelopes posted in each patrol room

VII. Section Reports

a. Section I Martha Nowak

No Report

b. Section II Kevin Barrons/*John Donnelly*

7 of 8 OEC candidates passed *see Italic note below*

84 patrollers went through CPR

122 went through cycle A refresher with 12 being from outside Section II

[In Section 2, eight candidates, including one challenge candidate, were scheduled to take the final practical exam after passing the written test. The challenge candidate was unable to attend the practical test event. Of the seven candidates that took the practical section of the OEC test in Section 2, five passed.] Added per J. Donnelly

c. Section III Lourie Hurley

No Report

VIII. Patrol Reports

a. Crystal Mt. Chip Hurley/Jackie Bottomley

100% open and the snow has been fabulous. Many powder days.

52 active patrollers, 11 secondary patrollers and 21 mountain hosts.

10 candidates working on their hill training.

Hill refreshers are in progress

3 Senior candidates – 1 for hill, 1 for OEC and 1 for both

Hosting the Women's Clinic on Feb. 2-3 – please encourage your women patrollers to sign up

SES – Feb. 10

TES – Feb. 11

Sr. Bump Clinic – Feb. 24

Sr. Hill Test – Feb. 25

b. Caberfae Peak Dennis Menke

The season started the day after Thanksgiving and was 100% open by Christmas

Crowds good despite cold temps

6 candidates passed OEC and are working on hill training

Working through hill refreshers

Working on recruiting – finding it hard to get young people

Thank you to all who came to the region TTW received many positive comments for public, staff, and management

Looking forward to hosting region events in January

Have one patroller going for their senior hill test

- c. Cannonsburg Don Smith
4 new alpine patrollers, 4 in hill training
Hosting a TES on 1/27/18
Have 2 50yr patrollers
Grossed \$140,000 at ski swap patrol will get about 5% and will share with WM
Nordic on a % worked basis

- d. Bittersweet Doug Haase
Held TES with 8 participants
125 patroller and is going well

- e. Timber Ridge Shawn Rhoda
100% open
No basic candidates, and working with senior candidates for hill test

- f. West MI. Nordic Kevin Barrons
Holding refreshers 1-21 and 28-18 and will be patrolling at 7 events throughout
the season

IX. Advisor Reports

- a. ARD Pat Livingston
 - 1. Instructor Development
No Report

 - 2. OEC Doug Mesara
MSP-OEC needs helpers to put on have 8 candidates to run through
Alpine Valley is hosting a last chance refresher on 1-12-18

 - 3. Awards Rog Brands
Still looking for a replacement
Have new Division form for awards and all supporting documents need to be in
one word file
All outstanding awards are due by March 1
Would like to see a region historian position
As a reminder awards are the only way to give back to our patrollers

 - 4. Legal Steffany Dunker
No Report

5. Safety David Menke
No Report

6. Web Master - Jon Kelder
See item V. a.

7. YAP – Maddie Dodson-Garrett
National and division are looking for participation numbers
Division looking to do hybrid OEC to accommodate YAP'S schedules
Events at Pine Mtn, Pine Knob, and Alpine Valley

8. Alumni- Tony Wolfer
No Report

9. Elections- Pat Livingston
Section I will not have an election as only one person was nominated, Steve Peltz, and has excepted

b. ARD Chip Knappen

1. Senior Program Kyle Jones
Have 8 hill candidates, 2 from crystal, 2 from Timber Ridge, 2 from Bittersweet, and 1 each from Cannonsburg and Caberfae

2. NSPC Ski School Erica Krol
Timber Ridge's SES had 8 participants
Looking for ways to have clinics for our region PSIA trainers
All senior graders are asked to come to calibration clinic on 1/20/18

3. OET Shawn Rhoda
25 participants at region TTW big thanks to all at Caberfae Peaks for hosting
8 participants at Bittersweet TES in all skill levels
TES's still to come at Cannonsburg on 1/27/18 and Crystal on 2/11/18

4. Alpine Snowboard Kathy Brennan
Will be at senior events and SES's and TES's

5. Telemark John Mallett
Will be at senior events and SES's and TES's

6. Certified Hal Froot

One new candidate from the region, Otto Sells, has been invited to join the program

Hal noted to look at the Somalski Fund for credentialing fund

7. MTR/Avalanche Kevin Barron

If anyone need/would like Low angle rescue contact Michael Walenta

10. Other

May 5, 2018 is the region banquet hosted by Section I

X. New Business

None

XI. Next Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 20, 2018 at Brann's on Division.

Motion to adjourn was made by H Froot and 2nd by R Brands (Passed) 8:02pm