

NBFSC Board of Directors Meeting

Ramada Inn, Fredericton, NB November 26, 2011

Those in attendance: Jody, Ross, Jen, Leon, Art, Jim, Tim, Paul, Dave, Alpee, Don

Absent: Brad

1. Call to Order

Time: 0800

By Whom: President Jody

Jody welcomed the new Zone 7 Director Tim Bamford. Zone 1 Clubs have yet to elect a new Director to represent that Zone.

2. Additions to and approval of Agenda:

11.15 SENBSA selling trail permits at Dealer

11.16 Marked Fuel for groomers

Moved by Leon and seconded by Alpee to accept the agenda as presented with additions.

3. Approval of Minutes of last Board meeting dated 17 September 2011.

Moved by Jim and seconded by Dave (Tim abstained as he wasn't present at meeting) to accept the minutes as presented.

4. President's & G.M.'s Report

4.1 Minister Holder, TAP - September 27th, 2011 - Overall a very positive meeting. No issues but continued strong positives with us.

4.2 Minister Northrup, DNR – Meeting November 9th, 2011 – President Jody discussed his meeting with Minister Northrup dealing with some critical issues around trails for the upcoming season.

4.3 NFLD. Snowmobile Tourism Workshop, Oct. 25th-27th, 2011 – Ross gave a brief overview of the workshop he presented to Tourism and Government people from Nfld. & Labrador.

4.4 Rotary Club Presentation , Woodstock, NB Nov. 14th, 2011 – Ross gave a brief overview of the presentation he made to a small group of business people.

4.5 SANS Snowmobile Symposium, Amherst, NS, Nov. 18th,19th, 2011 – Ross attended. Sessions on mapping, grooming, networking and Public relations. Vice President of Club #1 (Nepisiguit) Don Kenny was also a presenter at the symposium.

4.6 Premier’s Prayer Breakfast/Opening of Legislature, Nov. 23rd, 2011 – Jody gave a brief overview of attending this event and attending the opening of the new session of the Legislature in the afternoon. He was able to have brief meetings with some of the Ministers. Overall a very positive experience.

4.7 Trail Permit Sales to Date for 2012 – Jody reported that overall sales of trail permits to date compared with the same timeframe last year are up by 10. He congratulated the Grand Lake Snowcruisers Club for having the first purchaser of a 2012 Trail Permit through SNB in the Province.

Jody spoke about the sudden and tragic loss of long-time snowmobiler/Club Supporter/Zone Director Harold Barton and circulated a Thank You note from the family expressing their gratitude for the flowers and support from the NBFSC during this difficult time.

5. Treasurer’s Report - Jen gave the group a brief overview of our current Financial situation covering the Profit and Loss Statement , Balance Sheet and Accounts Receivable.

Collections Update – Of the three outstanding amounts, one has been paid through SNB leaving us with an Accounts receivable. The other two are in the hands of a Collections Agency.

An invoice from our Auditor for services rendered was reviewed. Jody pointed out that we need to be prudent when requesting any extra services as they increase the overall costs to the Federation.

Moved by Leon, seconded by Alpee to accept report as presented. Motion Carried.

Unrestricted Funds (\$410K), Plan and Priorities, March 2012 Board – a discussion ensued as to various ideas on how to utilize these funds for the maximum benefit to the organization. No decisions were taken. Bring forward to the next BOD meeting.

6. Director's Zone Reports

6.1 Zone # 1 – vacant – no report.

6.2 Zone #2 – Zone Director absent. No report.

6.3 Zone #3 – Paul provided a written report for the Zone. He reported that The Clubs from the peninsula region are concerned over the joint-use project being put in place by DNR and the manner in which the reporting of compliance/non-compliance is being undertaken. Club 4 has a washout on Trail 19 west of the Clubhouse. Still a need for alternate fuel source as the Ultramar in Beresford is difficult to access. Tractor with bushcutter w/operator is available for hire to other clubs.

Club 9 reports a washout on Trail 19 in the Saint Amateur area means the Peninsula is virtually cut-off from the Bathurst area for the time being. Awaiting a decision from DNR.

Club 21 is very concerned over the joint-use project at Inkerman. They would like to see more enforcement by ORVE.

Club 36 and Club 21 are considering the possibility of amalgamation. Although Club 36 is eligible for a groomer grant for a Used/Refurbished unit, they are Pursuing options to raise additional capital to purchase a brand new unit.

A trail signage issue on Trail 370 leading to two accommodation properties is scheduled for upgrade.

6.4 Zone #4 – Art provided a written report. He highlighted the Signage Training for all Clubs in the Zone in September, the fall Zone Meeting in November. Work has been completed on Trail #15 except for a 1.6 km.

Section left incomplete by the contracts awarded for this Section of trail.

The local Club in this area has rerouted the trail and the PSS has been relocated to reflect the change.

6.5 Zone #5 – Dave provided a verbal report as he encountered technical problems which prevented a written report in time for the meeting. Club 1 is reporting readiness for the season. They are experiencing some last minute trail changes due to snowploughing – between Atlantic Host and Clubhouse and south on Trail 52.

Club 7 has ordered a new Tucker Sno-Cat. The washout on the Spur Line has been repaired. New shelter on Trail 52. There is a re-route of Trail 514 which Parallels Trail 52 towards Bathurst. White Gold dance is being held Feb. 11th.

Club 8 is reporting washout on Trail 48 is repaired. Maintenance is being done on groomer. There will be a joint-use on Trail through the village of Neguac limits this coming season.

Club 14 has purchased a new (to them) groomer from Saint Quentin Club which would not have been possible without the pilot project approved at the September 17th Board of Directors Meeting.

Club 22 is reporting that due to the local ATV Club filing an application to use Trail 589 as a 4 season Trail, DNR/DOT have not given either the ATV or Snowmobile Clubs permission to use this trail this winter. Signage is being removed from this trail and it will be Closed for the season. A new set of tracks has been installed on the Blackville Groomer. Awaiting GPS tracking unit installation. New extension for Trail 585 out of Doaktown still requires some work to be in readiness for the season.

Club 68 is reporting that the shelter which burned down last spring has been rebuilt. They are still trying to find a buyer for their BR160 groomer and may not be able to take advantage of the grant to purchase a new groomer.

6.6 Zone #6 – Alpee provided a written report. 6 of the 8 Clubs in the Zone attended the sign training on September 27th. Fall Zone meeting was attended by all 8 Clubs. Clubs are dealing with quite a few beaver dams in the area and some are encountering problems with landowners who are withdrawing permission for trails across their lands. Sackville Snow Drifters has acquired a new groomer using their own finances. Club Motoneige Bouctouche Ste. Marie is interested in acquiring a new groomer this year should a grant become available. They have confirmed the availability of financing over and above the grant.

6.7 Zone #7 – Tim provided a written report. Fredericton Club is working on updating their signage and on installing the GPS Tracking unit. They have replaced an old shelter with a new one. They are hosting an "Open House" on Dec. 8th at the Ramada Inn and all four manufacturer's dealers will be there with their products. The Club has also indicated an "interest" to participate in a "groomer association". Oromocto River Valley Club is currently building a new Clubhouse building to replace the one that burned last spring. Both their groomers have received extensive work over the summer. They have installed one GPS tracking unit and are working on the second. Trail 32 landowner issue last year caused a re-route but it appears the issue is resolved for this coming season. The new Deer Fence along Hwy. 2 is expected to cause problems getting through to Burton on Trail 739. Discussions are on-going to try and establish a trail to Days Inn in Oromocto.

Work is on-going with Fredericton Club to re-route a large portion of Trail 722 from O'Leary Rd to the Hanwell.

Grand Lake Sno-Cruiser's held election of new officers. Have decided to sell one groomer and upgrade. Working on obtaining DNR lease for Provincial Trail #15 and Trail 780. New application submitted for new trail off Trail #15 to Moncton. Still in desperate need for a crossing on the Coal Creek Stream. Still isolated from Fredericton/Nashwaak due to the KRoad/Forestry issue.

Nashwaak Valley Club still has Trail #15 disconnect to deal with. Groomer is living on borrowed time with respect to tracks.

South West Snowmobilers Club is still working hard to restore losses from last December's rainstorm. There is a rail crossing issue on Provincial Trail #32. Trail #32 will be closed where it intersects Trail #12 due to logging operations. Charlotte County Snow Cruisers – no info forthcoming by deadline. Caribou Snow Drifters have confirmed a deal to replace their two snowmobile groomers with new ones. St. Croix Ridge Runners suffered about \$16,000. In damages in last December's rainstorm and have only been able to complete about \$10,000 in repairs. They are looking for some assistance if any is available. They have received their GPS Tracking units and are of the opinion NBFSC should have someone install them.

6.8 Zone #8 – Jim presented a written report. Proposed bridge over Crooked Creek to realign Trail #34 through the Caledonia Gorge will probably be completed in 2012. A meeting with Irving Woodlands was held with 3 of 4 Clubs in Zone in attendance. DNR will be asked to attend next year's meeting. Reviewed the Board of Director's decision with Club 20 on penalties levied. 3 of 4 Zone Clubs attended Fall Zone 8 meeting – discussion on and several ideas put forth on how to use the \$410,000 surplus unrestricted funds. Clubs in Zone 8 are *against* "fines" and are asking the Board of Directors to resolve this issue.

7. Trail Manager Report

Kyle's written report presented by Ross - Sign training completed for 2011. More emphasis needed on PSS and intersections for 2012/13. In process of making schedule for Trail checks. Trail Mapping – planning major changes for 2013. There is a need to collect GPS points in field for shelters, services, fuel, sled dealers etc. Trail Grooming – Groomer Workshop event set for Feb. 17/18th at Mont Farlagne, Edmundston – creating groomer training classroom component. What's New Articles – article on new GPS Tracking units in general in December. January – article on trail status feature on interactive map; February, article on trip planning feature on interactive map; article on Groomer Workshop. NBFSC Trail Check Report – Kyle needs all Zone Directors commitment for one day between January and March to do on-the-trail check report with a local Club member. NBFSC-DOT Pilot Project – 8 Clubs have been selected to participate. NBFSC/NBATV/DNR, Inkerman, LeGoulet Pilot Project – Meeting held November 8th for continuance of this project. New quantitative criteria established. Still require 80 percent compliance rate at end of 2012. Requires at least two representatives to "measure" compliance rate. NBFSC/DNR/Licensee Annual Consultation Meetings – good co-operation between Clubs and licensees, good attendance. Presented and received feedback on NBFSC new "Logging" trail sign for Crown Land Licence of Occupation trails.

NBFSC Trail Committee – plan is for Kyle to replace Ross on this Committee as he becomes more familiar with his role as Trail Manager.

8. **Permanent Committee Reports**

8.1 By-Laws & Policy Committee – nothing to report at this time.

8.2 Fund Raising Committee – Brad absent – no report.

8.3 Trail Committee - Paul presented a written report – meeting was held on November 17th. Agenda Items covered were Trail 15/721 Priority; Groomer Log Books; Groomer for Mountain View Club; new proposed signage for “Forestry Plowed Roads”; PPS penalties; Club 65/Trail 620 status; Club 65 GPS Tracking Device for contracted grooming; definition of a “non-industrial” groomer; status of future funding for bridge on Trail 52 at Memramcook River; Club 41 Trail 17 illegal reroute; Club 20 SENBSA 4th Tracking device; Sentier NB Trail (our Trail 42) Durham Bridge to Quarryville; Zone 3 – Caraquet Club #9 Trail 19/331 removal from DNR Lease; Alternative Fuel Access Trail 19 Bathurst/Beresford.
Next meeting to be held January 4th, 2012. If Executive or Board Directors have items, to be sent to Chairman of Trail Committee before that date.

8.4 Nominating Committee – Chairman Leon presented a written report. It is noted that Zone 1 Director is still vacant. Zones 2,4, 6 and 8 are up for election this coming Spring’s AGM. Leon requested that anyone interested in a position on the Executive, to please notify him which position you would like to be a candidate for.

8.5 Human Resources Committee – Leon presented a written report.

9. **Other Committees – Reports**

9.1 Volunteer’s Recruitment – Art presented a verbal report. He is finding that this file is more than one person can handle. President encouraged members of the Executive or Board Directors to send any ideas they may have on to Art to assist him in this task.

9.2 Awards (Honorary Members) – Dave presented a verbal report. He is waiting for member’s list in mid-December.

9.3 30th Anniversary – Ross and Leon gave a verbal report. Planned Ride-ins are booked. Invitations for Trans-Canada Ride are going out next week.

10. Old (Current) Business

2012-Three Long-term External Priorities

10.1 Groomer Replacement / Refurbishment

Jody confirmed the December 3rd deadline for Clubs eligible for Grant funding to notify the Federation if they will (can) take their Grant. Ross explained funding process. Federation basically bankrolls the Clubs purchase, writes the cheque and then claims the amount back from Government. This particular Grant is for 2 new groomers and 4 used/refurbished.

Discussion around funding process vis-a-viz our 2006 Priority List of Clubs to get groomers. As is happening this year, input from some local MLAs and resultant funding for Clubs in their constituency does not always fall in line with our Priority List. Current funding offered is from Northern Development Fund and *may* not apply to Clubs in other parts of the Province. We are currently awaiting clarification from RDC.

MOTION – Moved by Alphee, seconded by Jim that in the event RDC does not approve Trail Groomer funding of NBFSC Priority List, NBFSC advise Government that we will not accept funding opportunities for Trail Groomers until a negotiated resolution is found. Motion carried.

- Documents / responsibilities to 6 clubs, October 13th.
- ◆ Victoria County S.C., declined funding.
 - ◆ Fredericton/Oromocto S.C.next on 2006 Priority List
 - ◆ Update, Rogersville S.C.'s Pilot Project – Rogersville have purchased a used groomer from the St. Quentin SC.

10.2 'Threat to Winter Tourism'

Inkerman Goulet Meeting, Nov 8th, 2011 – Jody informed the Board that DNR has a new representative and that the NBATV GM agreed with the NBFSC that there will always be 2 groups conducting the checks. 80 per cent compliance is still the objective and no further Joint-use trails on Crown Lands will be considered until this is proven successful.

DNR's discontinuance NBFSC #19 & #331 – Jody informed the group that a meeting will be held this coming Thursday (Dec 1st) on this issue.

10.3 "Public Bridges on Public Lands"

Tie into Miramichi's Morrissey Bridge – Discussion ensued on the value of this bridge to our Trail infrastructure in Miramichi.

Motion – Moved by Dave, seconded by Alphee that the NBFSC support the Morrissey Bridge become part of the Provincial Trails Strategy as an example of a public bridge on public land that will enhance multiple trails in New Brunswick. Motion carried.

10.4 Complete Trail Signage Improvements- update – on-going activity on this file. Many Clubs are ordering a lot of signs.

10.5 Volunteer Strategic task Force – Executive and Board members are reminded to send comments or ideas to Art.

10.6 Install GPS Tracking Systems – Jody reiterated the importance of having these units installed and activated as soon as possible.

Provincial Trail Priorities (assigned by Board)

10.7 Trail #34; CN Railway Crossing Request denied
Jim reported that Club 20 will groom up to crossing.
Club is trying to gather support from local village and also the local MLA on this matter.

10.8 Trail #12; Brunway Trail Bridges

Motion – Leon moved, Paul seconded to remove from agenda.
Motion carried.

10.9 Responsibilities Review – New Club Agreement

Jim reviewed a number of suggestions to be included in a new Club Agreement. Jody suggested anyone with ideas or comments to send to Jim.

10.10 Trail #19, Mr. Daniel Cyr's complaint

Update on legal advice and letter, Oct 4th, 2011

Ross reported that the legal advice he was given was that there is no need to reply to Mr. Cyr's complaint.

10.11 Research injury/disability coverage for Volunteers

Ross reported that he met with our Insurance Broker and it was determined that in most cases, volunteers would not qualify. It is so restrictive that it is not really of any value and any policy wouldn't respond in the way people would be led to expect.

Motion – Jim moved, Art seconded that based on research, NBFSC would discontinue any further action on this file as it's affordability and availability is cost prohibitive. Motion carried.
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10.12 Up-date on Research NBFSC vehicle for T.M. and G.M.

Paul reported that he had tried to come up with a definitive report on this file but expressed concern that this file was outside his area of expertise. Treasurer Jen was tasked to do more research into this file and report back at next BOD meeting.

10.13 Review of Annual Autumn Zone Meetings

Ross reported that overall, very good attendance. Feedback on the \$410K was all over the place. Very positive response to the Pilot Project with Rogersville Club. Format is good. He was very appreciative that the Zone Directors were in attendance at each meeting.

10.14 Review of Autumn Snowmobile Shows

Jody stated that he personally wants to deal with all calls, emails from the Province in relation to attending snowmobile shows.

Ross and Kyle attended the Toronto Show – a positive experience and an opportunity to interact with the movers and shakers in the snowmobile Community such as other Provincial bodies, Corporate Partners etc.

10.15 Review of Annual DNR/Licensee/NBFSC Consultation Meetings

Ross gave an overview of this fall's meetings. He opined that we need to do this but it needs to work. Some of the Licensees are not as helpful as could be however, to not hold these meetings or participate in them would put us at a real disadvantage.

10.16 Proposed Groomer Needs Analysis / Formula

- ◆ Trail Committee's recommendation for Maintenance Costs

Chairman of Trail Committee reviewed their work/recommendations to date. The group decided that any formula developed must include repair costs. Trail Committee will continue to work on this file.

10.17 '2012' Calendar of Events

- 30th; Three Ride Ins (O'Donnell's, Adair's, Chalets Restigouche)
- O'Donnell's on January 21st, Adair's on January 28th, Chalets Restigouche on March 17th.
- Maritime "Go Snowmobiling" Rides – Jan. 31 – Feb. 20
- 30th; Groomer Workshop & Demo Displays – Feb 17,18th
- 30th; Easter Seals Snowarama Feb. 18th
- 30th; Irving Oil Presidents Ride / Wall of Fame Weekend – Mar. 2,3rd
- 30th; Trans Canada Trail Ride – March 6-8th
- CCSO Meetings in Quebec – President offered an opportunity to anyone on the Executive or BOD to attend in Quebec. Just let him know. (out of own pocket, expenses not covered)

10.18 Safety Boggans, Dougie Hiscock Memorial Fund

Ross explained the bigger issue of ownership liability in relation to these boggans.

Motion – Moved by Leon, seconded by Tim to take 10.18 off the agenda.
Motion Carried.

10.19 Club #71, Caribou, tabled appeal (June 2011), ADM-005

This appeal is from the 2009/2010 season and only received by the Federation in April 2011.

Motion – Moved by Paul, seconded by Alphee that appeal be denied due to lapse in time. Vote – 4 in favor, 1 abstention (Tim), 1 against (Jim). Motion carried.

10.20 Club #70, Grand Lake, tabled appeal (June 2011), ADM-005

(Zone Director Tim left the room prior to review of this item.)

Motion – Moved by Jim, seconded by Leon, that the Club be sent a letter stating they have no grounds for appeal as they were not subject to a fine. Motion carried.

10.21 Permanent Sign Structures, Zone 8 Concerns

The Board reviewed an email message from Zone 8 Director concerning the financial penalties around incomplete PSS's. Decision of Board to send letter reiterating BOD decision re Agenda Item 11.6 Board Meeting Sept. 17th, 2011.

11. New Business

11.1 Club #41, Kedgwick, Illegal Trail on Crown Land

Board reviewed the facts, as we know them, surrounding this file. NBFSC was served a Ministerial Order for remediation, hired a licensed contractor to undertake and complete the work which has now been finished. His work has been inspected and approved by DNR reps

and now we have to pay the bill – in the order of \$17,913.53 Question - action to be taken to recover these monies, which belong to the other 50 Clubs in the Province, from the Kedgwick SC.

Motion – Moved by Tim, seconded by Jim that the Kedgwick Snowmobile Club be informed that they will be required to pay \$4000. per year from their annual periodic Club payouts, at 5% interest per annum until the entire amount is satisfied. Motion carried.

11.2 Appeals of the Distribution Criteria for the GPS Tracking Devices

The Board reviewed documentation submitted by SENBSA President and Club #71,72 concerning this file. Directors for Zones 4, 7 and 8 also spoke to this matter. The Board discussed the issue at length resulting in the following motion:

Motion – Moved by Tim, seconded by Art that as of November 26th, 2011 all current operating groomers be equipped with appropriate GPS Tracking devices at Federation expense, installation of such units to be paid for by the respective Clubs. After November 26th, the criteria set out in Agenda Item 11.4 of the September 17th, 2011 Board Of Directors Minutes be applied. Motion Carried.

11.3 Club #20, SENBSA; (2nd) appeal of Fines-2011 Club Agreement

The Board reviewed the email message from SENSBA President asking for a second review of the assessed penalties against Club 20 for late filing of required documents as per Club Agreement.

Motion – moved by Dave, seconded by Tim that as per Federation Policies there is no appeal against the Board's decision on this matter taken at the Board of Director's meeting of September 17th, 2011. Vote – 5 in favor, 1 against (Jim). Motion carried.

11.4 Club #74, CCSC; update on 2012 Averages for Payouts
Jody explained how the payout hours were calculated for the newly created Club in order for them to receive a payout until the 6th year of operation when they would have a clear record of members and grooming hours upon which to calculate their 5 year averages.

11.5 Club #65, Dieppe; disagreement with Avg.Grooming Hours

The Board reviewed the written submission and has accepted the information received from Zone 6 Director as being accurate.

Motion – Moved by Jim, seconded by Leon that the Board reject the Appeal of grooming hours by Club 65. Vote – 5 in favor, 1 against (Paul). Motion carried.

11.6 CCSO Meeting in Ottawa

Brief overview given by Ross and Jim of their attendance at the CCSO Meeting held in Ottawa. One of the most important reasons for NBFSC to be at the table is the CCSO has developed a good working relationship with the Harper government.

11.7 Request to review of Club's Incorporation Status

Jim suggested that the new Club Agreement being developed should contain the requirement for each Club to attach a copy of their current BNB Incorporation Document. This is a very important issue to avoid individual members of Executive being sued for events occurring under their watch.

11.8 Requests for Groomer Funding or Priority

11.8.1 Club #20, SENBSA

Board reviewed written email request for groomer funding.

Motion – Moved by Art, seconded by Dave, that SENBSA Club be informed where they stand on current groomer list and further that they be cautioned that if they acquire a groomer on their own, any past purchases would not qualify for future public grants. Vote 5 for, 1 against (Jim). Motion carried.

11.8.2 Club #62, Mountain View

Zone 4 Director made a verbal presentation on behalf of the Mountain View Club for funding from the Federation in the amount of \$20,000 to Purchase a new groomer.

Moved by Art and seconded by Dave that monies requested be allocated. Vote 2 in favor, 4 against. Motion defeated.

11.8.3 Club #45, Bouctouche-Ste. Marie

Zone Director made a verbal presentation on behalf of the Club asking for groomer funding. It was explained that Club #45 is 2nd on the list to receive funding. We are waiting a decision from RDC re Fredericton/Oromocto and then we will know which Clubs will be able to take advantage of funding this go-around.

11.8.4 Club #31, Mad-Vic S.C.

Motion – Moved by Jim, seconded by Dave that the Club be informed of their position on the current groomer priority list and that they be cautioned that if they acquire a groomer on their own, any past purchases would not qualify for future public grants. Motion carried.

11.9 Monique Breau, camp-owner with Tracked ATV

Board reviewed a request from Ms. Breau and determined that as a tracked ATV, under the Off-Road Vehicle Act is not considered a "snowmobile", her request cannot be approved, as this Board of Directors does not have the authority to change the ORVA, waiting for a written response from DPS.

11.10 Groomer Log Books, Recommendation

Motion by Tim, seconded by Alpee that Log Books be discontinued as of 26 November 2011 and that existing policy be amended to reflect this. Motion carried.

11.11 Proposed new "logging" Trail Sign for DNR-LOC trails

Board reviewed sample of proposed new "Logging" sign to be added to our sign guidelines for the express use of Licence of Occupation trails by contractors. Sign to be provided by NBFSC.

Motion – Moved by Jim, seconded by Art that sign be approved and that a quantity of 200 be acquired for this purpose. Motion Carried.

11.12 Club #73, Southwest S.C., Request for Bridge Funding

Board reviewed a request from Club #73 for funding for Bridge repairs as a result of damage from last December's devastating rainstorm.

Motion – Moved by Dave, seconded by Paul that a letter be written explaining that there were no dollars allocated for bridges on private land. DNR repaired bridges on Crown land only. Motion carried.

11.13 Trail-fuel access in City of Bathurst

The Board was apprised of the difficulties in getting fuel access from the trail in Bathurst. Ross to write a letter to Irving as our Exclusive Partner.

11.14 Club #20, SENBSA, Irving Oil President's Ride

Board reviewed email received from President of SENBSA regarding their attendance at the President's Ride. The Board encourages every Club to send a representative on this ride as a recognition for the hard work done by volunteers. It is hoped that Club #20 will send a representative.

11.15 SENSBA selling permits through Dealer

The Board reviewed this matter and as G. Bourque has returned the permits he was holding, no further action is required.

11.16 Marked fuel for groomers

Board reviewed past attempts to obtain approval for the use of Marked fuel in groomers however, they did not feel it would be appropriate to pursue this avenue as with HUP's we are in fact Operating on "highways". As an alternative, it was suggested that the Federation approach Irving, our exclusive partner, to request consideration for a discount on diesel fuel used in groomers.

12. Dates of future BOD Meetings

Board

- ◆ *Proposed on March 3rd, 2012 (After President's Ride?)*
- ◆ *On March 24th, & 25th 2012 at Hampton Inn, Moncton*
- ◆ *Proposed June 15th, 16th, 17th, 2012, Location, TBD*
- ◆ *Proposed for September 28th, 29th, 2012, Location, TBD*

13. **Adjournment** - Moved by Leon, Seconded by Jim to adjourn at 1750 hours.

Don Wheaton,

NBFSC Secretary