

SMNB Board of Director's Meeting Agenda
February 10, 2023
Quality Inn, Edmundston, NB

1.	<p>Call to Order</p> <p>In attendance for this meeting: Dave Garland, SMNB President Mario Levasseur, Zone 1 Director Brad Mann, Zone 2 Director Ronald Lanteigne, Zone 3 Director Greg Grant, Zone 4 Director / SMNB Treasurer Marcel Richard, Zone 6 Director Stacey Noddin, Zone 7 Director Steve George, Zone 8 Director / SMNB VP Kyle Good, SMNB Trail Manager Paul Robichaud, SMNB Executive Secretary</p> <p><i>Dave called the meeting to order at 1:02pm</i></p> <p><i>Dave welcomed Stacey Noddin to the Board, as the new Director for Zone 7. Stacey provided his background, to the Board members.</i></p>	Dave
2.	<p>Approval of Agenda</p> <p><i>Ronald moved to accept the Board Agenda as presented, seconded by Greg. Motion Carried.</i></p>	Board
3.	<p>Approval of Board's last Minutes (Nov. 26/22)</p> <p><i>Paul advised that the Draft Minutes from the November 26th meeting had been circulated by email to all Board members. Brad moved to accept the November 26th Board Meeting Minutes as presented, seconded by Ronald. Motion Carried.</i></p>	Paul
4.	<p>President's Report</p> <p><i>Dave noted that this meeting would be brief, and most would deal with the President's Ride scheduled for the next day.</i></p>	Dave
5.	<p>Treasurer's Report (enclosures)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Profit & Loss – Current • Accounts Receivables – Current • Restricted Cash (External & Internal) Summaries – Current (enclosure) • Permit Sales to Date <p><i>Greg reviewed the Treasurer's Report as included in the Director's packages. Dave noted that budgeting into the future would be critical, due to the ever-increasing cost of fuel, sleds, trucks, etc. Kyle suggested 2 separate budgets with</i></p>	Greg

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	<p><i>and without the requested fuel tax rebate, in order to present to the clubs at the spring zone meetings. Steve spoke about the signage costs related to the signature trail in Zone 8. In particular one Club (Goshen) ordered what appeared to be excessive numbers. Steve suggested that the extra signage be divided among the other clubs along the signature trail route, with the possibility of requesting Government funding, if needed. Steve to follow up with Janice, on funding. Ronald moved to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented, seconded by Marcel. Motion Carried.</i></p>	
6.	<p>Trail Manager's Report</p> <p><i>Kyle noted changes / updates to the trails App, as well as the Garmin project. Kyle looking for feedback on the new paper map size. Groomer demo was very well attended and was a huge success. Safe Riders course has been yielding good results. Northern signature trail is operating well. Media Rides completed and very successful. Some Zone Directors and Club Presidents were able to take part in the Media Rides. Kyle also spoke about the Trail Planning Committee, and the recent Northeast Chapter meeting in Caribou, ME. Ronald moved to accept the Trail Manager's Report as presented, seconded by Mario. Motion Carried.</i></p>	Kyle
7.	Old (current) Business	Dave
7.1	<p>Quad NB – update</p> <p><i>Dave noted Quad NB has a new president, resulting in improved relationships. Dave spoke about identifying the respective trail systems, for the benefit of Public Safety, and for the purposes of enforcement. Other initiatives are gaining traction, due to the improved relations between both Federations.</i></p>	Dave
7.2	<p>1000 Mile Challenge (enclosure)</p> <p><i>Kyle spoke about the registered letter and DNRE response sent to the organizers of the 1000 Mile Challenge.</i></p>	Dave & Greg
7.3	<p>Revision of changes to the Permit Decal – size and removal</p> <p><i>Dave noted improved material changes to next year's permit, which will retain the smaller size.</i></p>	Dave
7.4	<p>Absence of Zone Director – Zone 7</p> <p><i>Discussed.</i></p>	Marc
7.5	Fuel cost to clubs – Grooming Efficiency	Dave & Kyle

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	<i>Tabled to the March Meeting.</i>	
8.	New Business	
8.1	Club Survey & Zone Meeting Schedules (enclosure) <i>Kyle reviewed the schedule for Zone and Club Survey meetings with Directors.</i>	Dave & Kyle
8.2	Appointment of new Zone 7 Director <i>Previously dealt with.</i>	Marc
8.3	Signature Trail Fundy highlands / Parkway – update <i>Steve spoke about the destruction in Zone 8, subsequent to a recent ice storm. The damage was beyond recovery using conventional methods, which meant engaging forestry cutting / mulching equipment, in order to reopen sections of trail. This all came at a considerable expense. Dave noted similar situations in the eastern portion of Zone 8.</i>	Steve
8.4	Quad NB Registration Increase – Joint letter <i>Previously discussed.</i>	Dave
8.5	THC Winter Tourism <i>Dave noted Neil Hodge with THC is looking at marketing strategies for snowmobiling.</i> <i>Discussion took place to update our Economic Impact Study document. To be placed on the March Board meeting agenda.</i>	Dave
8.6	David Hashey Retirement (enclosure) <i>Dave talked about our former legal counsel's retirement.</i>	Dave
8.7	Groomer Grant Updates <i>Greg reviewed the Groomer Grant funding opportunities offered to the Clubs on our funding list.</i>	Greg
8.8	Executive Director Absence <i>Dave gave a synopsis on the brief engagement of our Executive Director.</i>	Dave & Steve

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8.9	<p>President's Ride Planning</p> <p><i>Dave reviewed the logistics for the upcoming ride.</i></p>	Dave
8.10	<p>Awards Committee Chair</p> <p><i>Discussed</i></p>	
8.11	<p>ByLaw Article 54 – Rules of Procedure – Update (enclosure)</p> <p><i>Dave reviewed the proposed rules of order, to be used at the AGM, which will also be presented and dealt with, at the AGM. Marc moved to adopt the changes to By-Law Article 54 as presented, seconded by Brad. Motion Carried.</i></p>	Dave
8.12	<p>NB Youth Sleds – review</p> <p><i>Stacey spoke about research he has undertaken regarding snowmobile size limitations, for different age youth, as applied in various provincial jurisdictions. Dave suggested forwarding this to the CCSO.</i></p>	Dave & Stacey
8.13	<p>Policy CLB-001 (enclosure)</p> <p><i>Ronald gave background on a proposed amendment to policy CLB-001. Ronald moved to amend CLB-001 as presented, seconded by Marc. Motion Carried</i></p>	Ronald

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9.	Permanent (Board) Committee Reports	
9.1	By-Laws & Policy Committee <i>Not discussed.</i>	Ronald
9.2	Fund Raising Committee <i>Not discussed.</i>	Mario
9.3	Trail Committee <i>Not discussed.</i>	Marcel
9.4	Nominating Committee <i>Not discussed.</i>	Marc
9.5	Awards (Internal & External) Committee <i>Not discussed.</i>	
9.6	Human Resources Committee <i>Brad moved to go in camera at 3:24 pm.</i> <i>Ronald moved to come out of camera at 4:00 pm</i> <i>Dave noted the need to possibly reconvene the Board again, for a short period of time on Sunday morning, in order to finalize a HR Committee proposal.</i>	Steve
10.	Dates of Future Meetings March 16/17/18 - Quality Inn, Campbellton May 6 - Rodd River Resort, Miramichi (before AGM) June 23-25 location TBA Sept. 16 - location TBA Nov. 18 - location TBA	
	Adjournment: <i>Brad moved to adjourn at 4:02pm</i>	
	Sunday February 12th, 2023 <i>Dave called the meeting to order on Sunday at 07:35 in order to deal with an HR issue.</i>	

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<i>Ronald to go in camera at 07:35</i>	
<i>Ronald to come out of camera at 08:10</i>	
<i>Brad moved to adjourn the meeting at 08:10, seconded by Marc.</i>	

Respectfully submitted by,

Paul J. Robichaud
SMNB Executive Secretary