

**NATIONAL SKI PATROL
CENTRAL DIVISION Fall MEETING Minutes
September 7-9, 2012
Chestnut Mountain Resort, Galena, IL**

Friday New Leader/Member Orientation 3:00 PM – 5 PM (RD – Les Robinson, Joe Riley, Don Steen, Dick Jacques)

Friday Executive Committee meeting 9 - 10 PM

Invited: Division Director, ADDs, Treasurer, Legal, Admin Assistant, Joe Riley - South Central, Bill Currier - Ohio, Don Steen – Southern

Jim Woodrum, Brian Cobble, Linda Murphy Jacobs, Kevin McQuillan, Frank Cleary, Joe Hamel, Joe Riley, Bill Currier, Don Steen and Kevin McQuillan. *Not in attendance: NA*

Accomplishments:

Jim led discussions reviewing the Fall meeting agenda and the one proposal from Linda. The CD Regions and supervisors were scheduled to start their presentations Saturday after 2 PM. Skills team will address the board starting at 4 PM Saturday.

Kevin is going to conduct a mock trial to demonstrate issues that can come from a issue in a terrain park.

Jim is going to conduct a joint meeting between the Central Division board the Eastern Division board at 1 PM Saturday. The Board will meet starting at 12:30 PM. Linda suggested this meeting could be an open meeting. Jim agreed it could be open to the public.

The Somalski Memorial Fund was discussed. The desire is to raise funds to support credentialing of patrollers. The founding team has discussed this with Dan's family.

Dan Somalski was a great friend and a leader that will be missed by all of us. Jim suggested that the ADD position needs to be filled in Dan's passing. Jim has talked to Tom Anderson and will discuss this with the full board on Saturday.

Meeting closed by Jim Woodrum at 10:07 PM Galena Time

Central Division Board Meeting Saturday September 8, 2012

General Meeting: “Let us make today the best day of your life”

CALL TO ORDER: Jim Woodrum called the meeting to order at 8:10 AM (Galena time) on Saturday, September 8, 2012.

Jim Woodrum welcomed everyone to the Fall Meeting. Jim introduced guests: Janet Glaesar National Board Member and Mike Husar, National Safety Committee

The National Law Suit

Jim discussed the events that led up to another NSP Law Suit.

Six NSP members, including five Board members, Ed Gassman, Wally Shank, Larry Stone, Frank Davis, Gary Deaver, have filed a lawsuit against NSP claiming their requests for NSP’s membership list “have not been honored or have been ignored.” They have asked the Court to order NSP to provide them with the names and addresses, including email addresses, of all NSP members.

The lawsuit was filed even though (1) NSP, pursuant to Colorado law, had properly and fully complied with their demand by making an electronic copy of such list available at NSP offices before the group’s self-imposed deadline, and (2) none of the plaintiffs attempted any inquiry to ascertain NSP compliance and (3) NSP never refused to provide the membership list within a reasonable time after the request. An important point to remember is that while several members of this group are Board members, they never came to the entire Board stating their belief that the NSP was about to violate Colorado law or to inform the Board of their intention to file a lawsuit against the NSP.

Despite NSP’s compliance with their request, the six plaintiffs have refused to dismiss the lawsuit. A spokesman for the six plaintiffs, Board member Mr. Ed Gassman, stated that to secure a dismissal, NSP would have to agree to several stipulations, one of which is that NSP pay his group’s \$7,000 legal fee. The remaining eight Board members refused to do this because their was no basis for the lawsuit.

On August 23, 2012, the NSP filed a motion to dismiss the Complaint because (1) the NSP had complied with the request and there is nothing for the Court to order NSP to do because the information was waiting for the plaintiffs at the NSP office to be picked up; (2) that three of the six plaintiffs never requested the membership list before joining in this action Therefore, the Court cannot order NSP to comply with a request they never even made, and (3) the NSP never refused to provide the membership list within a reasonable time. Therefore, the Court cannot order NSP to comply with a request they never even made. NSP is requesting that the complaint be summarily dismissed.

NSP’s 75th Anniversary

1938 was the first year for Ski Patrol. A stone ski bench is being sculpted and will be dedicated at the Stowe Ski Museum October 20. Minnie Dole will be inducted into the Vermont Ski Museum. There will be a Series of Gala Events in Denver starting January 31 and a Ski day at Ski Cooper at February 1st (for \$48). There will be a NSP historical exhibit at the SIA show on February 2 with a banquet following that evening. On Sunday February 3 will be another ski event at Winter Park, again with discounts available. Jim presented a PowerPoint that is available on the CD website. Register on the NSP website.

Janet Gleaser discussed the issues from the National Level. Janet asked for volunteers to help fund raiser for the 75th anniversary, there is a \$75 level of donation that is available from Janet or Ken Meldahl. Supporting our sponsors increases our non-dues revenue which reduces our requirement for more dues increases. Janet led the effort to update bylaw and PnP documents for the NSP. The 'Member's Vote Team' made several proposals to change the bylaws and the governance oversight committee is expected to reject the proposals due to the inappropriate nature of the requests. This years' election: Jim Woodrum and Janet are two local patrollers that are running for the NSP board and Janet suggested we have our patrollers vote for people they know. The nominations committee narrowed the 25 applicants to 12 for us to vote on. The nomination committee is made up of 2 DD's, 2 NSP Board members and one at-large member. The Nomination Board is independent and selected the 12 people based on a list of current needs of the NSP and a review of their resumes. The overhaul of the National PnP is nearly complete, Janet thanked all who helped.

Quality Management System

Jim Woodrum discussed the upcoming refreshers, we are all about to start. In the past, up to 3 ID cards are sent to patrollers and instructors. The cards were condensed to include all information on one card. The one card includes OEC, CPR and OET (Outdoor Emergency Transportation). Jim will have the new card posted on our website and sent to the RD's. Several OEC changes this year. The new on-line didactic refresher is being tested at one or more patrols in each Division (locally at Buck Hill). The OEC Senior scenarios have been reviewed and updated. The OEC Instructor trainer guide is complete and published. There is a national Senior manual being developed. The OEC Senior Training standards have been completed and all Senior evaluators will be recertified this season. EMS Regulation: Jim presented a PowerPoint describing another National committee to review state regulations and changes in those regulations. Jim is on the committee. Jim commented, 'we really don't want more regulations and the Ski area managers don't want more regulations either'. This committee met with Washington, Idaho, Pennsylvania and California so far. They have been successful avoiding these regulations so far with California still pending. The problem with regulations is that there is fees collected, background checks, first aid room inspections, and impede the ability to patrol across state lines. If one state passes laws to regulate ski patrol then more states will follow. We must manage the quality of our refreshers or be prepared to be regulated. If you hear that there is a move in any state to regulate ski patrollers, please immediately call Jim or another member of the committee so they can meet with the state regulators. Also it is good to have a MD (patroller with trauma background preferred) or medical practitioner, etc on each patrol to oversee OEC and provide medical counsel. We should also involve our local ski area managers when we develop the job description for that position. Most Ski Area's insurance will cover this position, but it we must work with area management to have the job description reviewed by their insurance agent.

Jim suggested that we ask our patrollers to vote in the National election while at our refreshers. He suggested to only vote for people you know will represent our needs at a National Level.

Look Ahead, Division and Region:

We have 4 new RD's this year. There are 3 STW's again this year. Jim asked Each RD highlight their plans for this year:

Derek Werner - Eastern Michigan

- Level I Avalanche Class
- Level I & II Mountaineering Classes
- Instructor Development Class
- Continue ASE certifications
- TES and SES in each Section
- Ski training clinics in each Section
- Continue to increase Senior & Certified participation

(Break at 9:47 AM)

Les Robinson - North Central

- NCR will host the Fall Division Meeting in 2013, which is also the NSP's 75th Anniversary.
- Will have more SES clinics to improve our patroller proficiency.
- NCR TES/S&T (Best- ever Region clinic) at Norway Mountain. This is a no charge event for all patrollers in the Region. We also hold our mandatory Senior S&T clinic/skills check- off here.
- NCR will also continue to pay dues for NSP-C ski school for our instructors.
- Mandatory Senior OEC clinic at Norway Mountain.
- NCR Senior OEC eval and Senior S&T eval at Mount Ripley
- We also have 1 candidate and 3 pre-candidates for Certified which is good, it has been a few years for our region.

Dick Jacques - Northern Michigan

- Maintain and improve existing programs
- Open SES/TES to other regions
- Concentrate on aiding patrols, develop trainers, and candidates
- Communications and Recruiting
- WEB, Facebook, Twitter
- Region maturity
- Computerize region functions
- Use WEB site to register for region functions and updates

Bill Currier – Ohio

- OEC 5th Edition Roll-out – completed and embedded in OEC activities
- Re-establish the Clear Fork Ski Patrol - done
- Grow Ohio Nordic Patrols – increased number of Nordic patrollers in response to a request to patrol new metro park
- Improve patroller proficiency – Utilize NSP-C ski school and certified Toboggan instructors in SES's and TES's
- Leadership development – PD Retreat

Don Steen – Southern (Host of today's meeting)

- The East side is Swiss Valley Ski Area in Jones, Michigan, West is Snow Creek in Weston, Missouri, the south side is Hidden Valley in Wildwood, Missouri and to the north is Grand Geneva Resort in Lake Geneva, Wisconsin
- OEC Kick Off was in the Rock Island, Illinois August 25
- Hosting Central Division Fall Meeting and Awards Banquet With PR and New Officer Leadership Training
- Windy City Ski Sale October 19-21
- Division STW's
 - Registration fee will be covered by Region
 - Region SES/TES Sundown January 26
 - Region TES/SES Chestnut January 27
- Senior Hill Evaluation Chestnut February 23
- Senior OEC Evaluation Swiss Valley March 2
- Region Spring Meeting and Awards Banquet Des Moines, Ia May 4

Joe Riley (Tony Ortega) - South Central

- Well over 50 candidates are enrolled in the OEC classes this year.

- A couple of hills are working with a specialized OEC syllabus to attract medical professionals to join their patrols, which will provide much needed weekday coverage.
- Several hills added new lifts, and did some remodeling to enhance the customer experience.
- All of the hills are embracing the new Wisconsin Skier Safety Statute with new signage, improved hazard padding policies, adding warnings on lift tickets, and requirements for operating vehicles on the hill.
- We have some roster changes in our region; we have appointed a new Instructor Development Advisor, Section Chief, and a new ARD. We would like to add another ARD, and Safety Advisor to our roster soon.
- Olympia Ski area is currently in receivership, but will open this season.
- Little Switzerland will reopen this year as well.
- STW @ Cascade on December 15th & 16th.
- Toboggan IT calibration clinic @ Cascade on December 16th.
- Women's seminar @ Sunburst January 6th.
- Certified Clinic on January 6th. Location TBD
- Senior OEC & Alpine clinics and evals @ Sunburst & Cascade in January & February
- TES @ Cascade on January 27th.

Goals:

- Improve region communications by, having monthly conference calls with the PD/PR's as well as the Advisors. Revive the region Sweep publication, monthly e-mail updates to the membership.
- Visit each hill during the season to talk with the membership.
- Update our Web site, to make it more current and user friendly.
- Develop a Region Board, to help guide, and direct the functions within the region.
- Add at least one more ARD, and a Safety Advisor.
- Promote the NSP programs to the membership, and help develop more women's programs

JT John Thomas - Western

- OEC instructor Recerts
- STW in Trollhaugen
- 1 Certified Candidate
 - 3 Certified Pre-Candidates
- Ski Enhancement Seminar
- Continue to build the ASE program
- Continue to build the NSP-C Ski School
- Continue to harvest new people for all programs: Senior examiners(OEC & Ski/Toboggan), MTR, OEC, Ski, Avalanche, Toboggan, ID and Nordic.
- Continue to use Webinar for meetings to reduce travel.
- Continue to roll out PR Handbook.
- Conduct a Region Women's Seminar

David Johnson - Western Michigan

- OEC CLASSES
- OEC & CPR REFRESHERS
- ELECTIONS
- TES & SES
- ADVISOR DESCRIPTIONS
- SENIORS
- AWARDS

Dan Somalski Memorial Fund

Several patrollers have started a memorial fund to help fund patroller credentialing. Anyone can donate to the fund in Dan's memory. A plaque is being made and will be presented to Nub's Nob ski patrol in Dan's memory.

(Break at 10:37 AM)

Ken Meldahl presented Jim Woodrum the Southern Division's "Southern Cross" for his many years of work at the Chicago Ski Sale, the fund raiser for the Southern Region. Southern Region does not charge patrollers a yearly Region fee.

National Safety Team

Mike Husar presented a powerpoint on what is the National Safety Team and what do they do. He demonstrated how to use the safety pin, "Learn by Example". Mike uses the pins to help move people to safer skiing and snowboarding. They are available from the national office. Mike suggested that wearing helmets is a major concern in the ski industry. Another program, "Kids on Lifts", suggests that kids should "sit back, hold on" to not fall out of the lift. "Lids on Kids" and "Ski like a Pro, Ride like a Pro" are another active programs focused on helmets. Patrollers should be positioned on the hill at the areas near area's more accident prone positions on the slopes. If you ski, you see several people, if you stand on slopeside or lift line side you impact thousands of people. Get the message out that we are not just cops, but we are available on the slopes to help others. The Team has free public service announcements, available from Candice at the National Office, that can be customized with your patrol and area's name, each radio station is required to provide free public safety announcements each week. There are 1 and 2 minute videos that are available for TV as well. The team is working with Wells Fargo Insurance to provide a proactive Risk Management Seminar at Sunburst this fall in addition to the training session this afternoon (including a **Mock Trial**):

Kevin McQuillan

Kevin discussed how your patrols records impact you during a deposition. If you are contacted by any attorney you should take their name and number and go to your PD/PR before talking to the attorney. Kevin suggested that records and documentation are critical as statute of limitations may run for many years. The litigation for a 10 year old may not begin until 2-3 years after the child is 18. Kevin conducted a mock trial deposition and deposed a volunteer PD on an incident that took place 10 years prior. We all watched as Kevin demonstrated how the questions can be worded to incriminate oneself. He also demonstrated how important it is to spend time with your attorney prior to deposition or trial. Answers need to be closed and not open ended. 'Settling out' may be the only answer prior to trial if your documentation and preparation is not in order. Kevin then deposed another PD that had better documentation and better preparation. The deposition went quite differently and would most probably not go through an expensive trial or 'settling out'.

Wrap-up - Jim Woodrum

Jim thanked all our presenters and dismissed for lunch.

(Break for lunch at 11:46 PM)

Board of Director Meeting

Call to order: Jim Woodrum 12:30 PM

(Tape 1a inserted at 12:30 PM)

Meeting materials in the Staff Packet: (20 paper copies of the meeting agenda, Spring Minutes, Spring Action Item List, Supervisor reports, financial investment review, 11-12 budget variance report, 12-13 Budget, Proposals, Central Division P&P).

Jim opened the meeting with a discussion of the background of the 5 NSP Board Members and their lawsuit against the NSP board. Jim suggested that the petition to remove the 5 board members, that was prepared last month, has been reviewed by Kevin and is ready for use, but Jim asked that we as a CD board wait on the petition to the CD members and let the NSP Board settle this conflict. The CD Board discussed Jims' suggestions and support.

Dick James suggested the 5 board members should resign from the board. Jim asked if the board would vote on the suggestion to ask for resignation. All Board members voted, in favor, to ask for resignation of all 5 involved board members. (Ed Gassman, Wally Shanks, Gary Deaver, Frank Davis, and Larry Stone). Kevin will draft the resolution today.

Board Roll Call – Roll was called:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jim Woodrum

Derek Werner

Les Robinson

Dick Jacques

Bill Currier

Joe Riley (and also Tony Ortega)

Don Steen

David Johnson

JT John Thomas

Division Director

Eastern Michigan

North Central

Northern Michigan

Ohio

South Central

Southern

Western Michigan

Western

ALSO PRESENT:

Brian Cobble

Linda Murphy Jacobs

Frank Cleary

Joe Hamel

Kevin McQuillan

Assistant DD Programs

Assistant DD Proficiency

Administrative Assistant

Treasurer

Legal and Risk Advisor

DD Board Member Absent: none

Also Attending:

	past DD	Chuck Martschinke
+	MSAA LIAISON	Ken Meldahl
+	Legal	Kevin McQuillan
+	REGISTRATION	Sherwin VanKlompsonberg
+	ELECTIONS	Ken Meldahl
+	ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	Frank Cleary
+	SKI SCHOOL DIRECTOR	Dan Moss
	ALUMNI	Beach Day
	Auxiliary Supervisor	Open
	AVALANCHE	Dale Mihuta
+	AWARDS	Gregg Reese

- + CERTIFIED Mike Longfellow Jones
- + INSTRUCTOR DEVELOPMENT Virginia Rodeman
- MEDICAL Steve Werner
- + MOUNTAIN TRAVEL & RESCUE John Wachter
- + NORDIC ADVISOR Peter Wollan
- OEC (N – E - O - WM) Karen Hadden
- OEC (NC, W, S, NC) Vicki Young
- + P101 (Introduction To Patrolling) Jeannine Mogan
- PUBLIC RELEATIONS Ty Damon
- + RUSTY PARKA NEWS Tim Zimmerman
- + PSIA LIAISON Tom Anderson
- + TOBOGGAN Tom Worley
- Telecommunication Steve Beil
- + SKILLS DEVELOPMENT Don Loerch
- + SENIOR Jay Zedak
- + WOMEN'S SEMINAR Sandi Hammons
- + WEB MASTER Chris Raudabaugh

PROXY ANNOUNCEMENTS: Joe Riley for Tony Ortega

Per Article 1.4 of the CD Bylaws, Directors can provide written notice to the board, appointing a proxy. (or via e-mail)

Tony appointed Joe Riley as his proxy a few weeks ago. Afterword's, Tony sent his resignation as RD and Joe was appointed RD by Jim Woodrum.

Meeting GUESTS: Janet Gleaser

MEETING APPOINTMENTS:

Parliamentarian: **Kevin McQuillan**
 Sergeant-at-Arms: **Brian Cobble**

AGENDA: Jim Woodrum asked the Board if there were any additions to the agenda previously distributed. 11-12 RD and ADD reports to be reviewed. Discussion took place regarding the Central Division Financial Report, and an updated version was distributed to all. The Spring 2012 minutes were briefly reviewed. Several grammar changes were suggested and approved.

Discussion: Jim reviewed changes to the agenda made at the Executive meeting

MOTION #1: Approval of the consensus Agenda; consisting of the Fall 2012 Meeting Agenda as reviewed and the updated Spring 2012 meeting minutes, and the 2011-2012 Budget Variance Financial report.

MOVED: **Bill C**
 SECOND: **Derek W**

BOARD ACTION: Motion Passed Unanimously. (8 for 0 against)

ADD Appointment:

Jim selected Tom Anderson as the new ADD and the Board supported this appointment.

Avalanche Supervisor: Dale Mihuta has resigned due to his work issues and Jim is asking all RD's to look for a new CD supervisor.

Conference Call with Eastern Division:

Jim initiated a conference call with the Eastern Division Board. Jim told them the Central Division Board is drafting a resolution requesting the resignation of the 5 board members because they have filed a lawsuit against their own NSP board and are not representing the membership of NSP and violated the fiduciary ethics of their position. The Eastern Division Director, John Shipman, was not ready to agree but asked for 20 minutes to discuss with his board. John suggested that if all Division Directors signed the resolution, the resolution would carry more weight.

(Tape 1b inserted at 1:14 PM)

Brian Rull (from St Louis) suggested we should be sure this resolution is the best method to resolve the problem as there will be a ripple effect in the organization. Kevin suggested there are other tactical reasons for their actions as well as collecting fees for their lawsuit. He suggested that they have other agendas that will come soon. Asking for their resignation may be bold, but it is just a request at this point. The Central Division Board is ready to start a petition to recall these board members if they don't resign. Jim suggested that spending time to improve the NSP is much more important than fighting internal lawsuits.

The Eastern Division was again contacted and John Shipman was still reviewing the issue with his board and will send an email to Jim with their decision. Kevin sent John Shipman a copy of our completed resolution asking for the immediate resignation of all five board members that filed the lawsuit.

Supervisor Reports:

Registration - Sherwin VanKlombenberg

All RD's should send Sherwin any new PR's that need registration training. .

MSAA - Ken Meldahl

Last year was held at Boyne Highlands and was well attended. Next year the event is at Alpine Valley West in Wisconsin.

RPN - Tim Zimmerman

Tim's report is in the packet. The new publication software is working very well. People like interesting stories, pictures and the supervisor articles for the newsletter. The next deadline is September 22.

Elections – Two regions South Central and Eastern Michigan are having elections. The Division Director election is also this year.

FLOOR MOTION #1: Page 12 of 54 change election nominations to be accepted by DEC after notice of election is posted in the RPN. Include in DD as well

MOVED: **Dick J**

SECOND: **Don S**

BOARD ACTION: Motion Passed (6 for 0 against)

Frank will make the changes in the PnP

Ken will put an article in this coming RPN to start the voting process.

Election Review Committee this year from the PnP: John Thomas, Bill Currier and Dave Johnson
The Election Review Committee is responsible for the review and confirmation of the election results for the Central Division Director and all other Division managed elections. The committee will review

election results submitted by the DEC and confirm results back to the DEC in specified amount of time. The election committee was recognized and accepted by the board.

Instructor Development - Virginia Rodeman Mentoring is being used but it needs to be better structured in each discipline. The ID instructor needs to be a qualified and credentialed instructor as some classes have been taught by non-credentialed instructors. All RD's need to be aware and correct these problems.

Senior – Jay Zedak We have new Senior performance cards for skiing and snowboard. The Senior checkoff sheets were reviewed and changed to align the language of the cards and checkoff sheets. Jim suggested that we need to not bring any more people than is necessary to the Senior events as the “Sea” of Red coats is an area of concern to area managers as adding congestion on the local slopes on the day of the tests.

Break at 2:22 pm

Toboggan – Tom Worley Tom suggested patrollers that are ‘secondary’ on your patrol you will need to add their name to the list and send it ‘electronically’. The Division Toboggan Assistant West of the lake is David Dahl and East of the lake is Jeff Cripps. Tom suggested everyone purchase Cascade’s toboggan chain remote release for \$26. The remote release is a very important safety chain release for use on all toboggans. You can make your own for \$10 but it will not be as robust as Cascades.

Certified - Mike Longfellow-Jones

Mike handed out the current Certified Manual. Mike reviewed the credentials of a ‘Certified Hill’. A group of patrollers were assembled to develop the criteria for selection of places to hold future Certified events. The team developed a scoring system and rated several runs from each mountain in the Central Division. The criteria was developed and the team made a three year plan for area visits. The next step is to develop a travel plan after that three year period is up. The new plan is to accept 7 areas in the Central division. Chestnut could be added to the current list of 6 acceptable areas for Central Division following the newly developed criteria. Listed are: Nubs Nob, Indianhead, Boyne Mountain, Marquette, Perfect North Slopes, and Mt. Ripley

Tape 2b inserted at 3:05 pm

Mike is requesting the board support for the Certified Program and these changes. The Certified group has not voted on these changes as yet, but the intention is to make changes to the Certified manual and to bring these changes back to the board for final adoption. Jim asked that the comradely from the Certified group is felt, but the group must understand that this program must be brought to the membership. With gas over \$4, we must be able to bring the program to all the Division patrollers without driving across the division. Jim also asked to update the Certified manual on page 44 to reflect the fact that the Division Director appoints the Certified Supervisor, perhaps the Certified group may want to identify possible candidates.

P101 - Jeannine Mogan

40 classes were conducted last year. Jeannine passed a list of delinquent courses to the RD's. The RD's must work to close these classes in a timely manner.

Website - Chris Raudabaugh

The meeting documents and newsletters are loaded routinely. The RD's calendar can be easily updated by using the download spreadsheet that is available on ‘bookshelf’ page. Chris will update the logo with the white cross.

(Tape 3a inserted at 3:53 PM)

Webmaster – Chris Raudabaugh

Calendars can be updated on the CD website by sending a simple completed spreadsheet. Email Chris to get the spreadsheet. He can also set you up to use the CD payment structure online.

Legal - Kevin McQuillan

Continue calling when you see legal issues as they are easier to deal with before it becomes a major problem. The other issue is the National lawsuit. Ed Gassman came to the summer NSP meeting with a proposal to bypass typical NSP processes. When this did not happen he started a process where Ed requested a list of membership and their emails. The proper purpose of use was not specified and plaintiffs filed a lawsuit in Colorado courts. The 5 board members decided that they were not going to talk about the issues except through the courts. The DD's suggested to the Board to ask for dismissal. The legal committee asked for dismissal within 48 hours. The group said they would dismiss if paid ~\$7000 of legal fees and admit the Board's wrongdoing. The Board did not agree and a motion for dismissal was filed by the NSP legal counsel. The position is taken not to pay legal fees. Next week the courts should get back on this dismissal.

(Break at 4:10 PM)

Skills Development Team - Don Loerch, Jay Zedak, Tom Worley, Dan Moss

Don passed out a red lined copy of the proposed Senior manual. Don discussed some of the changes. Jim asked for two weeks (September 25) for the board to review the changes. Tom discussed the difference between Toboggan IT recertification and Senior qualified toboggan handler review.

(Tape 3b inserted at 4:47 PM)

Don continued to review the document page by page, making notes with the suggestions from the board members.

November 16 is the cut-off date for registering for the STW. The RD's need to know the estimated ASE member training list for this year. Dan met with the Regions Ski School Supervisors all afternoon. All but two Regions were represented. They prepared job descriptions, discussed SES's, Region goals, and developed a list of SES dates for each Region.

Division Director Replacement in the event that Jim is elected to the NSP Board

The proper method is to select a past RD or a current ADD.

MOTION #2: Motion to adjourn.

MOVED: **John T**

SECOND: **Derek W**

BOARD ACTION: Motion Passed Unanimously (8 for 0 against)

Meeting adjourned 5:19 PM Saturday

The 2012-2013 Central Division Banquet and Awards followed the meeting.

Sunday, September 9, 2012

Meeting Reconvened at 8 AM

8:05AM Sunday: Open Session brought to order by Brian as Jim Woodrum was attending the PD Breakfast.

Brian took roll and everyone was in attendance except Kevin, JT and Dick Jacques.

(Tape 3b restarted at 8:05 AM)

OLD BUSINESS

Proposal F12 P001 – Patroller 101 Linda

MOTION #3: Accept Proposal S12-P001

MOVED: Bill C

SECOND: Derek W

Discussion: Page 33 Programs: add program just ahead of Senior.

Friendly amendment by Linda: Add Patroller 101 will be conducted following the process described in the National PnP Section 6.

BOARD ACTION: Motion Passed (6 for 0 against)

Action Item Review:

Brian reviewed the Action Item List, by item. Frank will record the changes and post to the Website.

(Tape 4a started at 8:20 AM)

JT arrived at meeting 8:22 AM

Stepping Stone Skiing Journey Brian and Linda are preparing an overview of the journey from candidate, basic, senior, and certified. This project is still a work in-progress. Discussion was centered on the training and how Regions and patrols require different paths. Linda requested the RD's input about what the final document should look like.

Treasurer Audits: Joe is auditing 3 Region books due to RD changes. Dick's is complete and Les and Don's are in process. All three will be complete 10/12. The DD, Treasure and both RD's get a copy of the audit. The Audits are clean and successful so far.

Job descriptions: Most all job descriptions are complete. Frank will assemble all Job descriptions into a single document and add to PnP as an Appendix. The changes will be presented at the Spring meeting. The supervisors will be able to review and make changes routinely through Frank.

Jim and Kevin joined the meeting at 9:20 AM after the PD breakfast meeting was complete.

Break (9:31 AM)

New Business:

Jim asked each RD to establish a safety team advisor for each Region for this season. The Safety team Advisor will help each patrol to establish safety procedures. Jim will work with Mike to establish a Job Description.

Jim discussed the need to plan for a possible open CD DD position. Jim is running for the National Board and if elected, he cannot maintain both positions at the same time. A past RD, DD or a current ADD can fill the position according to our bylaws, until the new DD election is complete. The CD meeting was closed for a private session so Jim could discuss an interim Division Director selection privately.

Jim closed the Meeting to the public at 10:00 AM
Jim reopened the meeting at 10:10 AM

The Board selected Brian Cobble to assume the position of interim CD Division Director in the event that Jim is elected to the National Board Rep this winter.

CALENDAR REVIEW

Meetings/Dates/Locations Mid-winter National Meeting, Lakewood, January, 2013 75th Gala
Spring Division Business Meeting – Apr 5-7, 2013, Oakbrook (Chicago), IL. DoubleTree
National Annual NSP Meeting – June 2013
MSAA Meeting – Aug 4-7, 2013 Alpine Valley West, East Troy, WI
Fall Division Meeting – September 7-9, 2013, North Central Region Hosts at Wausau, WI
Spring Division Business Meeting –March - Apr, 2014, Chicago, IL. DoubleTree
Fall Division Meeting – September, 2014, Eastern Michigan Region Hosts
Spring Division Business Meeting –March - Apr, 2015, Chicago, IL. DoubleTree
Fall Division Meeting – September , 2015,

Les Robinson discussed the upcoming Fall CD Meeting agenda being held at Wausau, WI. He will post the plans on the Region and Division website.

Joe asked if there were any budget changes for next year. Hearing none, the budget stand as printed.

Brian asked to close the meeting at 10:35 AM and asked Jim to step out so a private discussion could be held among the RD's to discuss the upcoming National election. The reason the meeting is to be closed is because Jim is running in the election. Kevin also wanted to review the election rules. Campaigning may not be done using any Division or National resources or funding. October 15 the election cycle begins.

The meeting was reopened at 10:45 AM Jim asked if there was any additional new business.

MOTION #3: TO ADJOURN

MOVED: **Don S**

SECOND: **Derek W**

BOARD ACTION: Motion Passed (8 for 0 against)

Meeting Adjourned at 10:01 AM, Sunday prior to noon

Respectfully submitted,

Frank Cleary

Administrative Assistant

NOTE: These minutes represent the notes recorded during the meeting and are as approved by the Central Division Board of Directors at their next meeting on 4/6/13.