

MINUTES
OF THE
MAINE PRINCIPALS' ASSOCIATION
SKI COMMITTEE
JANUARY 12, 2017

A meeting of the MPA Ski Committee was held on Thursday, January 12, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. at the MPA Office.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Thomas Plourde, Scott Walker (Chair), and Eric Werntgen.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Ted Hall and Mark White.

LIAISONS PRESENT: Aaron Duphily and Ronn Gifford.

STAFF PRESENT: Michael Burnham.

APPROVAL OF MINTUES: On a MOTION by Werntgen/Plourde, the minutes of the November 7, 2016 meeting were UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

CORRESPONDENCE: The following correspondence was reviewed and placed on file:

- An e-mail discussing the Nordic ski coaches' liaison along with a number of suggested changes to the Nordic Championships.
- An e-mail with a question about the championship venues.
- An e-mail with a question about an athlete skiing with a club team.
- An e-mail with a question about an exhibition ski meet.
- An e-mail with a question about a transfer student's eligibility.
- An e-mail with a question about a team's cooperative team application.
- An e-mail discussing the TD at one of the ski championships.
- A series of e-mails discussing the format at the Nordic Championships.

2017 RACE DATES, SITES, AND SCHEDULE: The committee reviewed and updated all of the materials for the 2017 Ski Championships. On a MOTION by Plourde/Werntgen, it was VOTED UNANIMOUSLY to accept the rule revisions proposed by the Alpine coaches.

COACHES' REPORT: Mr. Gifford and Mr. Morse reported on the following:

Alpine: Mr. Gifford reported that all Alpine issues had been addressed.

Nordic: Mr. Duphily proposed the following:

- The Nordic coaches would recommend a mass start on Day 1 and a pursuit start on Day 2. The day 1 start would move to a “Chevron” start.
- Would like to expand the number of athletes from 6 to 8 with no substitutions from Day 1 to Day 2. On a MOTION by Werntgen/Plourde, and UNANIMOUSLY SUPPORTED, it was decided to stay with an interval start on both days and to keep the number of competition to 6.

RACE RESULT REPORTING: The committee will continue to use the same type of reporting form that has been used in the past. This will assure continuity of all scoring reports. A list of media contacts will be provided to all committee members.

OTHER:

Classification: After discussion, the classification proposal was accepted.

NEXT AGENDA ITEMS: The following items will be placed on the next agenda:

- Mass Start/Pursuit Start – Timers will be invited to attend the meeting.
- Number of qualifying athletes from each school.
- Cost implication to schools of adding additional skiers.

NEXT MEETING DATE: The next meeting will be held on Friday, March 31, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. at the MPA office.

ADJOURNMENT: On a MOTION by Werntgen/Walker, it was VOTED UNANIMOUSLY to adjourn the meeting at 12:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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