

**USCSA
ANNUAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
JUNE 4- JUNE 5, 2004
BOISE, IDAHO**

Present:

Paul Wojick (President & St. Olaf), Mark Sullivan (Exec. VP & Eastern Conf.), Robin Dzubay (Treasurer & Midwest Conf.), Kim Bownes (VP Alpine & Plymouth State University), Skip Ravel (VP Cross-Country), Sam Bachhuber (VP Snowboard & WPI), Ron Bonneau (Executive at Large & Albertson College), Amy Lane (Executive at Large, Eastern XC & WPI), Jeff Egan (Midwest Conf. & Syracuse), Bill Hetrick (Allegheny Conf.), George Thomas (Rocky Mtn. Conf. & Colorado Mtn. College), Jerry Wolf (Grand Teton Conf.), Collin Casper (Southern California Conf. & UCSD), Chris Hendrickson (Northern California Conf. & Sierra Nevada College), Eric Millbrandt (Cross Country Student Rep. & WPI), Jim Peitrovito (Alpine Student Rep. & WPI), Alyssa Wedgwood (Alpine Student Rep. & Colorado School of Mines), Clover Whitman (Cross Country Student Rep. & Cornell University), Joanna Mahaffy (Snowboard Student Rep. & Westmont College), Dave Gyger (Plymouth State University), Kyle Goochey (University Minn. Duluth), Tom Olson (Whitman College), Christie Dahl (University of Minnesota), Laura Sullivan (WPI)

Friday, June 4, 2004, 8:05 am

GENERAL Introduction

G04-01	<p>Meeting Minutes <i>Skip Ravel</i> Motion To accept the USCSA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes from 2003</p> <p>2nd (Amy Lane) Discussion: Mark Sullivan suggested to accept minutes with grammatical corrections</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Motion Approved Unanimous Voice</p>
	<p>President's Report – Paul Wojick</p> <p>I want to begin, as I did last year, by reiterating our mission statement To be the National governing body of team ski and snowboard competition at the collegiate level. To promote and increase awareness of and participation in alpine skiing, cross country skiing and snowboarding in the United States. To provide competition and development opportunities for student/ athletes in a team atmosphere leading toward National titles in each discipline.</p> <p>Our membership numbers this year are as follows: Alpine: Men – 122, Women – 114, Ind. - 19 XC: Men – 10, Women – 10, Ind. - 3 SB: Men – 35, Women – 22, Ind. - 3 A total of 375 athletes participated in this year's National Championships. We are in good shape financially as the documents that I am including with this message clearly show. I have included a proposed budget for 2004-2005 for you to consider. Aside from the proposals that I have submitted there are two crucial matters on our agenda this year.</p> <p>1. Replacing our Executive Secretary, Tim Longenecker. I will propose a specific process for doing this.</p> <p>2. Addressing a proposal from Holger Petersen. To us help develop an endowment that will support the activities of this organization in the future. I will provide supporting documents.</p>
G04-02	<p><i>Skip Ravel</i> Motion To accept the proposal for the search of a new USCSA Executive Director within the time stipulated by the President. (Applications accepted up to June 26, 2004. July 1, 2004 interviews by phone or in person. July 19, 2004 final decision)</p> <p>2nd (Ron Bonneau)</p> <p>Discussion: The President distributed written copy of the job description and requested the Board of Directors to</p>

	<p><i>Mideast Conference, Jeff Egan – Successful year of racing. Proud of the success of the club teams.</i></p> <p><i>Midwest Conference,, Robin Dzubay</i></p> <p><i>Northwest Conference, Ron Bonneau – Attached report</i></p> <p><i>Allegheny Conference, Bill Hetrick – Attached report.</i></p> <p><i>Rocky Mtn. Conference, George Thomas - Attached report</i></p> <p><i>Southern California Conference, Collin Casper - Attached report</i></p> <p><i>Northern California Conference, Chris Hendrickson</i></p> <p><i>Grand Tetons Conference, Jerry Wolf - Attached report</i></p> <p><i>Southeast Conference, Lari Garren (not in attendance)</i></p> <p><i>New Jersey Conference, Bonnie Bartowski (not in attendance)</i></p>
G04-06	<p>Nominations New Officers</p> <p>VP Snowboard:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Sam Bachhuber</p> <p>Executive at Large: (2 positions)</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Ron Bonneau Collin Casper Amy Lane</p>
G04-07	<p>Holger Petersen Volunteer Award</p> <p>The Recipient of the 2004 Holger Petersen Volunteer Award is Willi Stienrotter</p>

OLD BUSINESS

03-01	<p>Tax Status</p> <p>Paul Wojick confirmed our tax identification are in good standings. USCSA files under a 501-C3 tax-exempt charity, however we still need to investigate if we are filing as a private charitable organization and if so change it. We are incorporated in Utah.</p>
02-01	<p>Holger Petersen – National Ski Hall Of Fame</p> <p>Skip Ravel sent the paperwork and information regarding inducting Holger Petersen into the Ski Hall of Fame to our National Office for distribution. There has been no action on this issue. Jeff Egan stated that it would be in USCSA's best interest to approach this to have a plaque of recognition at the Ski Hall of Fame for the organization instead of an individual</p>

Saturday, June 5, 2004, 8:08am

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ALPINE COMPETITION AND RULES

ALP-04	<p>Kim Bownes (Chairperson), Bill Hetrick (Allegheny Conf.), Mark Sullivan (Eastern Conf.), Jerry Wolf (Grand Teton Conf.), Jeff Egan (Mideast Conf.), Robin Dzubay (Midwest Conf.) Bonnie Bartowski (New Jersey Conf.), Chris Hendrickson (Northern CA. Conf.), Ron Bonneau (Northwest Conf.), George Thomas (Rocky Mt. Conf.)</p>
GENERAL	<p>Kim Bownes reported that the changes to the alpine competition rules from last year worked well.</p>

OLD BUSINESS

ALP-03-01	<p><i>Bill Hetrick- (Points of recommendations)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - More aggressive in our education as to where these rules (USSA) can be obtained Becomes a recommendation. - Ski Length needs to adhere to FIS rules regarding ski lengths in USCSA
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NEW BUSINESS

ALP-04-01	<p>Jerry Wolf Motion</p> <p>One berth (Male and female alpine team) for National Championships will change from Far-West to the West</p> <p>2nd (Amy Lane) Discussion</p> <p>Motion Approved for 15 2 opposed 1 abstention</p>
APL-04-02	<p>Mark Sullivan Motion</p> <p>To change the current method of selection to US National from USCSA Nationals The berth to US National Championship from USCSA Nationals will be based on World Cup points in order of finish with removal of foreign athletes. Scenario for ties breakers, we will work towards have a solution before the beginning of next season. (Currently selection was based on race points from both GS and SL events.)</p> <p>2nd (Amy Lane) Discussion</p> <p>Motion Approved Unanimous Voice</p>

CROSS COUNTRY COMPETITION AND RULES

XC-04	<p>Skip Ravel (Chairperson), Amy Lane (Eastern Conf.), RonBonneau (Northwest Conf.), Christy Boggs (Rocky Mt. Conf.), Eric Millbrandt (Student Athlete -Male), Clover Whitman (Student Athlete – Female)</p>
GENERAL XC-04-01	<p>Cross Country Competition and Rules - Skip Ravel The committee has several proposals for this meeting regarding their rules</p>

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Our rulebook will now deal specifically with anything that is different for us only. The USSA Nordic rulebook, which is available for download/printing at http://www.ussa.org/PublishingFolder/283_1630.htm.

XC-04-01	<p>Skip Ravel Motion</p> <p>CROSS-COUNTRY RACE RULES OF THE UNITED STATES COLLEGIATE SKI & SNOWBOARD ASSOCIATION Official Cross-Country Rules for USCSA Conference qualifying meets and Regional Championships leading to the 'United State Collegiate Skiing Championships' (TM).</p> <p>FIS and USSA versus USCSA Rules 0.00 The Cross Country Course 1.00 - 1.05 Handling of Protests and Appeals 2.00 – 2.02 Seeding of Cross Country Championship 3.00 - 3.03</p> <p>0.00 FIS And USSA Rules versus USCSA Rules 0.01 USCSA cross-country competitions shall be governed by the most current edition of the following rulebooks; USCSA Cross Country Rules, USSA Cross Country Competition Rules and the FIS (ICR). USCSA cross country competitions shall be governed first by the USCSA rules, second, in all areas not specifically covered, the USSA Cross Country Competition rules shall be used, and third, in all areas not specifically covered the FIS (ICR) shall be used. In no case shall a USCSA rule be enforced that violates the USSA sanctioning or scoring of the event. FIS rulebooks are available from USSA, PO Box 100, Park City, UT 84060, ph. (435) 649-9090 or on-line at www.ussa.org and www.fis-ski.com.</p>
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1.00 THE CROSS COUNTRY EVENT

1.01 The cross-country course shall be laid out so as to be a true test of the competitors' strength, endurance, ski technique and tactical knowledge.

1.02 The length of the course and race format at Nationals shall be:

Even Years

Women's 1.5k Sprint

Men's 1.5k Sprint

Women's Classical - 15k Mass Start

Men's Classical - 15k Mass Start

Women's Freestyle - 8.5k, :30 second interval Start

Men's Freestyle - 8.5k, :30 second interval Start

Women's Relay - 3 x 5k, CL,FR,FR, Mass Start

Men's Relay - 3 x 5k, CL,FR,FR, Mass Start

Odd Years

Women's 1.5k Sprint

Men's 1.5k Sprint

Women's Freestyle - 15k Mass Start

Men's Freestyle - 15k Mass Start

Women's Classic - 8.5k, :30 second interval Start

Men's Classic - 8.5k, :30 second interval Start

Women's Relay - 3 x 5k, CL,CL,FR

Men's Relay - 3 x 5k, CL,CL,FR

The National format may be altered for Conference and Regional Championships.

1.03 The height difference, maximum climb and total climb shall be the following:

Ladies 15k HD = 200m; MC = 100m; TC = 400-550m

Ladies 8.5k HD = 100m; MC = 50m; TC = 150-225m

Men's 15k HD = 200m; MC = 100m; TC = 400-550m

Men's 8.5k HD = 100m; MC = 50m; TC = 150-225m

1.04 The Sprint race will consist of an individual start qualification at 15-second intervals. The top 10 will then compete in a single heat. Racers not in the top 10 will be ranked with their qualifying time.

1.05 Following the lead set by the U.S. Cross Country Championships, the cross-country course for the United States Collegiate Skiing Championships shall not be above 2200 meters (7260') unless such standards are specifically waived by the Cross Country Competition and Rules Committee.

PROTESTS CONCERNING CROSS COUNTRY EVENTS

2.01 Protests concerning Disqualification's or Timing: A Protest against disqualification's or timing must be given in writing, by a team officer to a voting member of the jury and be accompanied by a cash deposit; for Regionals and Nationals the deposit is \$25.00. Such protests must be received within the specified time period for the particular type of protest. The deposit will be refunded if the protest is upheld. Such protests must be received within the specific time period, for the particular type of protest. See disqualifications in the USSA comp guide.

2.02 Appeals

a) For all events not sanctioned by the USSA or FIS, appeals against a decision of the jury, a protest is permissible to:

1. The Conference Appeals Board (Conferences Races)

2. The Regional Appeals Board (Regional Races)

3. The USCSA Competition/Rules Committee (National Events)

b) For all events sanctioned by the USSA or FIS follow the appeal procedures outlined by the appropriate governing organization. If the appeal concerns a USCSA rule follow the procedure presented in section 1.02.a above.

c) The USCSA Competition and Rules Committee shall hear all protests regarding USCSA rules at national events.

Any member of the USCSA Competition and Rules Committee who may have served on the jury being protested, or are representatives of schools involved therein, shall be disqualified from the deliberations on that issue.

d) The appeal, in writing and with substantiating particulars, must always be submitted to the appropriate appeals board, or mailed thereto within 14 days after the announcement of the previous decision on the protests (not counting the announcement day).

3.00 Seeding Of Cross Country Championship Competitors

For National Events (*See Alpine rules section item 2.02 for random draw procedures.*)

3.01 Team competitors will be placed into 5 seed groups based on a random draw within each seed. Teams will

BL-04-01	<p>Jeff Egan Motion</p> <p>To produce hard copies of a complete rule books for all conference coordinators</p> <p>2nd (Amy Lane) Discussion</p> <p>Motion Approved Unanimous Voice</p>
BL-04-02	<p>Jeff Egan Motion</p> <p>Hard Copies of Board Meeting material to be sent by postal mail, including lodging form, proposals, agenda and minutes. They will also remain available on the USCSA web site.</p> <p>2nd (Ron Bonneau) Discussion</p> <p>Motion Approved Unanimous Voice</p>

MARKETING

MKT-04	<p>Paul Wojick (Chairperson), Jeff Egan, Chris Hendrickson, Amy Lane, Skip Ravel, Ex-Officio Member: Alyssa Wedgwood</p>
GENERAL	<p>Paul Wojick reported that there is a financial surplus in the marketing budget from last season due to unused snowboard advertising.</p>

OLD BUSINESS

MKT-03-01	<p>Jeff Egan communication with Ski Racing Magazine did not show any interest from them this past year. Jeff will continue to pursue a relationship with them.</p>
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NEW BUSINESS

MKT-04-01	<p>Paul Wojick Motion</p> <p>Motions to approve expenses for marketing for 2005</p> <p><i>\$7500 For this fiscal year Of 2004-2005</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - \$1005.00 Add for the USSA Competition Guide Book - \$2000 USSA Congress in May - \$4000 allocated into a pool at the Presidents discretion fro marketing tools and initiatives that develop in the course of the year. <p>2nd (Mark Sullivan) Discussion</p> <p>Motion Approved Unanimous Voice</p>
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NOMINATIONS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE

NA-04	<p>Paul Wojick (Chairperson, President, & St. Olaf College</p>
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GENERAL	Jeff Egan - Willi Steinrotter is the recipient of this year Holger Petersen Award.
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OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

NA-04-01	<p>Jeff Egan Request</p> <p>To acknowledge the top teams of USCSA in the country. At our National Championship No BOD. Paul will start this acknowledgments in 2005 Nationals</p>
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BY-LAWS SUBCOMMITTEE

BL-04	<p>Bill Hetrick, (Chairperson & Allegheny Conf.), Ronn Bonnea, (Member at Large, Albertson College Northwest Conf.), Bonnie Bartowski (New Jersey Conf.)</p>
GENERAL	<p>Bill sent out the revised by-laws. Dave Gyger asked the committee to review the proposed housekeeping changes with care as to check that intent of the article or rule was not altered.</p>

OLD BUSINESS No Report

NEW BUSINESS

BL-04-01	<p>Paul Wojick Motion</p> <p>Housekeeping Clarifications issue review and approved in the document recommended by the committee. Recreation committee has been removed from the By-laws. Any reference to this committee will be eliminated in the By-Laws. E-mail has been inserted in the by-laws.</p> <p>2nd (Amy Lane) Discussion</p> <p>Motion Approve 17 for 1 abstention (Chris Hendrickson)</p>
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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

INC-04-01	<p>Bill Hetrick Motion</p> <p><i>Article III of item #8</i> To promote cooperation between member campuses in order to achieve better and increase utilization from our outdoor environment, through the formation of formal programs, stressing ski and snowboard, but also providing cooperation with other outdoor activities.</p> <p>(2nd) Paul Wojick Discussion</p> <p>Motion Approved Unanimous Voice</p>
INC-04-02	<p>Bill Hetrick Motion</p> <p><i>Article III #9</i> Elimination of article numbers nine from Articles of incorporations.</p> <p>2nd (Paul Wojick) Discussion</p>

	Motion Approved Unanimous Voice
INC-04-03	<p>Bill Hetrick Motion</p> <p><i>Article III #9 (will replace previous article as number 9)</i> To cooperate with other snowsport governing bodies and their respective committee's in promoting and securing the foregoing purposes.</p> <p>2nd (Paul Wojick) Discussion</p> <p>Motion Approved Unanimous Voice</p>

Please refer to 2004 By-Laws revised edition

BY-LAWS

	<p><i>Bill Hetrick</i> Motion</p> <p><i>Article 2, 2.02 - Special Meeting</i> Special meetings may be called by standing committees, by the Board of Directors and by the President, as the occasion may demand, to take care of necessary business as may be required. Thirty (30) days advance notice has to be given for any special meetings, this to include time, date and location in addition to all material to be covered by such a meeting. Special Meetings may be conducted by conference call, e-mail, physical presence at a meeting site, or by any other agrees upon method. The members of the Executive Board will determine the method for the conduct of a Special Meeting.</p> <p>2nd (Paul Wojick) Discussion</p> <p>Motion Approved Unanimous Voice</p>
	<p>Bill Hetrick Motion Changed</p> <p><i>Article 2, 2.08 Board Member Replacement (and Proxy Vote) At Meetings</i> A Board member, if not attending a meeting, may designate in writing, and prior to the meeting, a replacement to represent them on the Board of Directors at that meeting. The Executive Board may not designate a replacement for an absent Board member. An Executive Board member may not designate a replacement in their absence. A written proxy vote is permitted with the Presidents approval for voting board members but not for Executive Board members. The Conference Coordinator is responsible to finding a replacement..</p> <p>2nd (Paul Wojick) Discussion Motion Approved Unanimous Voice</p>

ELECTIONS AND TERMS OF OFFICERS

	<p><i>Bill Hetrick Needs clarifications From Bill</i> Motion</p> <p><i>4.02 Election And Term of Office</i> Members of the Executive Board are nominated and elected by the Board of Directors at an annual meeting, except for the Corporate Secretary who is appointed by the President, and the President Emeritus, Immediate Past President and Executive Director, who are all Ex-Officio. The President may not serve more than two three-year terms in succession.</p> <p>2nd (Paul Wojick)</p>
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	(Article will need to be renumbered after article VIII recreation comes out!!!!)
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NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP COMMITTEE

NCC-04	Paul Wojick (Chairperson), Kim Bownes (Alpine Coordinator), Skip Ravel (Cross Country Coordinator), Sam Bachhuber (Snowboard Coordinator), Executive Director, Eric Millbrandt (Student Athlete), Sheerin Florio, Stephen Fleck, Jim Peitrovito, Amy Sage, Mark Sullivan (All Ex- Officio members)
GENERAL	Paul Wojick thanked Laura Sullivan for her help at this year National Championship.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

NCC-04-01	<i>Paul Wojick</i> Motion Postpone approval of bids for 2006 and please allow the committee to vote in two weeks 2 nd (Eric Millbrandt) Discussion Motion Approved 14 for 3 opposed (Ron Bonneau, Jerry Wolf, Chris Hendrickson) 1 abstention - Mark Sullivan
NCC-04-02	Proposal #6 no actions
NCC -04-03	<i>Paul Wojick</i> Motion Proposal #7 Bill Hetrick Jim Peitrovito (2 nd) Discussion Motion Amended Approved Unanimous Voice
NCC-04-04	Proposal #8 Amy Lane
NCC-04-05	Paul Wojick Motion Proposal #9 (Amy Lane) Scoring for the President Awards be done by the point -by- place system for each event, to determine who is first, second etc, the point by place of your 2 nd (Eric Millbrandt) Discussion Motion Approved 16 for 2 abstentions (Jerry Wolf and Chris Hendrickson)

ITEMS OF THE FULL BOARD

FB-04	
GENERAL	2005 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING: (<i>Paul Wojick</i>) Next year meeting in Midwest, Minneapolis June 3 - 4, 2005

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

<p>FB-04-01</p>	<p>Skip Ravel Motion</p> <p>To accept Propose 2004-2005 Budget</p> <p>2nd (Sam Bachhuber) Discussion: Marketing will change to \$7500 on this proposal (friendly amendment) Amend the money spent for this year to send Executive Director to come to this meeting.</p> <p>Motion Approved Unanimous Voice</p>
<p>FB-04-02</p>	<p>Paul Wojick Motion</p> <p>Move that we approve a proposal by Holger Peterson to raise funds to establish an endowment for USCSA if appropriate naming the National Championship after a major contributor. The administration and management of such endowment shall be under the control of USCSA, and USCSA shall have the right to approve or reject such funds on a case-by-case basis.</p> <p>2nd (Bill Hetrick) Discussion</p> <p>Motion Approved Unanimous Voice</p>

Attached Conference Reports

	<p><u>2004 Grand Teton Conference Report</u></p> <p>Year-end conference operational summary and outline for the board of directors meeting of the United States Collegiate Ski & Snowboard Association.</p> <p><u>Teams/Schools</u> Idaho State University Montana State University Rocky Mountain College University of Montana University of Utah Utah State University Utah Valley State College Weber State University Westminster College</p> <p><u>Conference Organization</u> The Conference has a Conference Coordinator. He oversees all functions of the Conference.</p> <p><u>Race Schedule 2004</u></p> <table data-bbox="297 1633 1104 1717"> <tr> <td>Jan. 16-17</td> <td>Snowbasin, UT</td> <td>GS, GS</td> <td>Weber State University</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Jan. 23-25</td> <td>Red Lodge, MT</td> <td>GS, GS, SL</td> <td>Rocky Mountain College</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Feb. 6-8</td> <td>Snow Bowl, MT</td> <td>SL, SL, SL</td> <td>University of Montana</td> </tr> </table> <p>The Conference operated according to USCSA rules. Scoring was as outlined in the USCSA manual scoring procedure. USSA scoring was also used for USSA licensed athletes. World Cup Points scored individuals who won berths for Regional Championships.</p> <p>All events were fully sanctioned by licensed USSA alpine officials. The Intermountain and Northern Divisions of USSA assigned the Technical Delegate at each venue.</p>	Jan. 16-17	Snowbasin, UT	GS, GS	Weber State University	Jan. 23-25	Red Lodge, MT	GS, GS, SL	Rocky Mountain College	Feb. 6-8	Snow Bowl, MT	SL, SL, SL	University of Montana
Jan. 16-17	Snowbasin, UT	GS, GS	Weber State University										
Jan. 23-25	Red Lodge, MT	GS, GS, SL	Rocky Mountain College										
Feb. 6-8	Snow Bowl, MT	SL, SL, SL	University of Montana										

All events were well organized and ran well without any major problems.

Financial

The Conference sets an operational budget in the spring and operates from that budget. Funds for the budget come from team dues.

Conference Meetings

The Conference holds a spring meeting in April and a fall meeting in September. A representative from each team: (preferably the coach) and / or the team advisor are required to be at the meeting. Organizational and operational agenda items are discussed, voted upon, and placed into action. Race Schedule for the following season is tentatively set at the spring meeting and finalized at the fall meeting.

Tentative Race Schedule 2005

Jan. 14-15	Snowbasin, UT	GS, GS	Weber State University
Jan.16-17	Snowbird, UT	SL, SL	Utah Valley State College
Jan. 21-23	Red Lodge, MT	GS, GS, GS	Rocky Mountain College
Feb. 4-6	Snow Bowl, MT	SL, SL , SL	University of Montana

USSA Registered Events

All 2004 races were registered with USSA, and operated according to USSA rules.

Regional Championships were held at Red Lodge Montana, hosted by the Grand Teton Conference.

Conference and Team Fundraising

There are no fund raising activities at the Conference level. Individual teams do, however, have their own fund raising activities and those monies are used for their own team operation.

Nordic

There are no Nordic events held in the Conference at the present time.

Snowboarding

There are no Snowboard events held in the Conference at the present time.

Summary

The Conference had a very successful and rewarding year. Progress in Conference operation and in competition was significant and looks promising. The conference will continue to make strides in bettering all phases of operation. Utah State Valley College will join the University of Montana this year as a new host of a conference qualifier next year at Snowbird.

Jerry Wolf, Grand Teton Conference Coordinator, respectfully submits this year-end report.

ALLEGHENY COLLEGIATE SKI CONFERENCE REPORT

USCSA Board Meeting

June, 2004

We had good winter weather for ski racing - albeit very cold at times – and the 2004 racing season for the Allegheny Collegiate Ski Conference was very successful. The strong support and cooperation of our ski area operators continues to be excellent, and plays a large part in our success. We also continue to experience very good support from the institutions for our participating teams, most all of whom are “club” sports. This is very encouraging at a time when institutional budgets are strained.

The ACSC scheduled 10 separate races on five weekends, running from mid-January through mid-February. We had an average of 140.9 racers at each race, for a grand total of 1409 registrants for the season. Our high weekend was 158 racers. These numbers are up from 2003, and are new highs for a season.

The ACSC includes the states of Pennsylvania, Maryland and West Virginia. We conduct our races at venues that are geographically distributed in a manner that results in equitable travel demands for all schools involved. This year we held our five race weekends at the following locations:

- January 17-18 - Jack Frost, PA; January 24-25 - Elk Mt., PA; January 31/February 1 - Timberline, WV;
- February 7-8 - Wisp, MD; February 14/15 - Tussey Mt., PA (Conference Finals)

The Allegheny Collegiate Ski Conference had nine teams competing in the 2004 racing season:

Bucknell University (PA), Penn State University (PA), University of Maryland (MD), University of Pennsylvania (PA), United States Naval Academy (MD), West Chester University (PA), West Virginia University (WV), Villanova University (PA), and Davis & Elkins College (WV). A grand total of 282 racers were enrolled on these teams for the season, which included 190 men and 92 women.

The 2004 Mid-Atlantic Regional Championships were held at Blue Mt., PA, hosted by the New Jersey Conference. Participating were ACSC, NJ Conference, Southeastern Conference, and the Empire Division of the MidEast Conference. The Mid-Atlantic Regionals are hosted on a rotating basis (each four years).

All ACSC races are run under USSA/USCSA rules and regulations, with USSA qualified officials in all key positions. We have several USSA qualified course setters on staff who share the setting each weekend with mountain staff. We provide all officials for each race. We've purchased state-of-the-art timing equipment for use at all of our races. We have a full complement of radios for effective communication at our events. We maintain a website. We annually purchase a liability insurance policy.

The ACSC is administered through the Conference Office in State College, PA. We have a Board of Directors made up of a representative from each of the participating schools. We hold two Board Meetings per year. We operate on an annual budget of just over \$22,000 (not including the "pass through" lift fee monies each weekend), with annual revenue coming from institutional registration fees, individual athlete administrative fees, and daily race fees. The ACSC is in solid financial condition. We have a set of Bylaws, and a Conference Competition Guide.

No ACSC sponsored snowboard competition was attempted during the 2004 season, and, at this time, none is planned for 2005. Experience to date has demonstrated little or no viable interest from the schools within our geographical area.

It continues to be our goal to consistently run a business-like and professional operation. We have received excellent support and service from the National USCSA office, and that is very much appreciated. Our first priority is to look after the interest of each individual student athlete, and to maintain solid relations with the institutions.

If there are questions or comments regarding the ACSC operation, please feel free to contact me. Thank you!

Respectfully submitted,
Bill Hetrick
Director, ACSC

NW COLLEGIATE SKI AND SNOWBOARD CONFERENCE

SPRING REPORT 2005

The Northwest Collegiate Ski and Snowboard Conference had a successful year despite drop in numbers of schools and individual participation in NWCSC events (see attached). The NWCSC was represented at the USCSA National Championships in all disciplines (alpine, cross country, and snowboard) and realized varied levels of success. For 2005, the NWCSC will be host to both the USCSA Regional Championship, Feb 24-26, in Boise, ID, and the USCSA National Championship, Mar 7-12, in McCall, ID.

Data for the 2003-2004 season:

Alpine:		Gender	# participants	Penalty	
NWCSC	WGS		47	86.18	
(Average)	WSL		42	82.42	
		MGS	51	86.83	
		MSL	53	73.25	
Regionals	WGS		74	91.97	
Red Lodge, MT	MGS		88	57.23	
	WSL		73	78.93	
	MSL		88	46.03	
Nationals	WGS		100	46.89	
Sugarloaf, ME	MGS		117	33.95	
	WSL		99	46.81	

	MSL	117	32.24
Two schools represented the NWCSC in alpine at the National Championship, Albertson College and University of British Columbia.			
		UBC	ACI
Overall	W	9	4
	M	3	8
All American	M/W	8	8

Cross Country: The NWCSC participated in only one PNSA JO Qualifier at Anthony Lakes, OR and was represented at the National Championship by one athlete from Albertson College. We hope to incorporate more involvement in the PNSA schedule as well as identify more schools that have athletes looking for an opportunity to play.

Snowboard: The NWCSC participated in one event in the NW, Idaho Winter Games, Silver Mountain, ID. There is much vocal interest but little cooperation among venue hosts and access for clubs. Preseason communication and calendaring are necessary. Two NWCSC schools represented the NW at the USCSA Nationals in Sugarloaf, ME, Whitman College and University of Idaho.

		WHT	UI
Overall	W	3	2
	M	1	3
All American	M/W	13	14

Academics: The NWCSC was well represented in the classroom with 21 Academic All Americans.

Albertson College	6	
Univ of British Columbia	2	
Univ of Idaho		6
Whitman College	7	

New Business for 2005:

- ❖ Raise conference dues from \$100 to \$200 to cover any shortfall in operations
- ❖ Establish a website for
 - General information distribution
 - Race schedule
 - Rankings
 - How to get involved for new schools and/or individuals
- ❖ Require a USSA competitor license for all members who intend to compete in the post season
- ❖ Actively pursue race site venues for the qualifying race series (see attached for bid proposal)

Respectively Submitted:

Ron Bonneau
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**2004 Summary
Rocky Mountain Conference – USCSA**

The Rocky Mountain Conference is comprised of nine colleges:

- US Air Force Academy**
- University of Wyoming**
- Fort Lewis**
- Colorado College**
- Colorado Mountain College**
- Colorado State University**
- Colorado School of Mines**
- Denver University**
- University of Colorado**

(In 2004 we also included one athlete from Denver Metro as an individual.)

For the 2004 season, conference dues remained the same at \$300 per school.

During the 2004 season, RMC staged four weekends of racing hosted by four different schools:

Jan. 10-11:	Beaver Creek	SI/Sl	Colorado Mt. College
Jan. 24-25:	Winter Park	GS/GS	Denver University
Jan. 31-Feb 1:	Telluride	GS/GS	University of Colorado
Feb. 7-8:	Loveland	SI/Sl	Colorado School of Mines

Races for the 2004-2005 season have already been scheduled utilizing the same race venues and to be held on the same corresponding weekends as in 2003-2004.

Finances

Three of the four weekends of racing were profitable. Beaver Creek continues to cost more than it makes, and the losses are made up out of the RMC account. Raising the race entry fee to break even would put a greater burden on the athletes, and it's felt that the venue is too good to lose. Races at Telluride and Winter Park generated money primarily for their host schools, CU and DU, with a portion going to the RMC account, and the Loveland race made money for the Colorado School of Mines with a portion of the proceeds going to support the athlete dinner (see below).

While the 2003-2004 fiscal year has not yet closed out (10/01/2004), RMC ended the race season in good financial shape, although down a bit from the commencement of the current fiscal year.

10/05/2003	\$7431.27	Season beginning balance
6/01/2004	\$6864.02	Season ending balance
Difference:	-567.25	

2004 Total revenues:	\$36,259.27
2004 Total expenditures	\$29,325.25

RMC continues to enjoy a good financial situation due to maintaining its participant college dues structure and having raised its race entry fees to a level at which production costs can be covered as well as generating a bit of revenue for the host schools, while still providing affordable racing for its athletes.

Race Results

All RMC races are sanctioned and scored by the USSA. In 2003, USCSA dropped one traditional venue due to poor race production and adopted Telluride, which has a world class GS hill and great club staff. Telluride continued in 2004 to provide excellent racing and a weekend experience.

As all races for the 2004-2005 season have been scheduled, the dates have been submitted to Rocky Mt. Division – USSA for inclusion in the RMD divisional competition guide. The 2002-2003 season marked the first time in ten years those listings have appeared, which has brought some attention and enquiries about RMC from some parents, officials and junior competitors. Additionally, all RMC results also appear on the RMD website the Monday following the weekend races.

In keeping with its philosophy of trying to provide a better product for its consumers (collegiate athletes), RMC has continued to try and upgrade its race events:

1) The race leader bib, introduced last year, continued to be a big carrot for the top athletes. On the women's side, Bryce Tillotson took it at the first race and held on to it all season. On the men's side, the bib changed hands four times, and the season ending race resulted in a tie between Johnnie May and Jacob Fuller. Fortunately, an extra leader bib was available for both athletes at the awards presentation, where the athletes got to keep the bibs.

2) Season ending awards included over \$600 (retail) worth of prizes, such as poles, goggles, sunglasses, etc. to an expanded number of athletes, (top three men, top three women).

3) Colorado School of Mines organized and partially funded, and RMC funded the bulk of an all-athlete & coaches pizza dinner, held in Silverthorne, Colorado. Approximately 170 athletes and coaches attended. The dinner was held on Saturday night prior to the final race of the season. Everyone had a good time and the food was better than expected. RMC intends to repeat the same event next season.

4) A complementary T-shirt was provided for each coach and athlete.

5) Having consolidated our venues, working with quality resorts and race departments, RMC continues to try and improve the quality of racing. During 2004, RMC comped the race entries and tickets for several athletes. Criteria was Men: <60 USSA points in GS, <50 USSA points in slalom. Women: < 100 USSA points in either GS or slalom. RMC also had the opportunity to include some rabbits at the Winter Park GS races and the Loveland slaloms. Consequently, for the second year in a row, average penalties declined in all events except women's GS. Within the RMC conference races, then, our average penalties in men and women's slalom, and men's GS events were less than 10 points greater, and lower in women's GS than the penalties applied at the Western Regional Championships held in Red Lodge, Montana.

Men's GS Avg. Penalty		Men's Sl Avg. Penalty	
2002	72.06	2002	83.03
2003	68.74	2003	68.50

2004	60.21	2004	52.19
Women's GS Avg. Penalty		Women's SI Avg. Penalty	
2002	102.33	2002	97.87
2003	83.30	2003	98.12
2004	85.39	2004	88.66

Date	Event	Competitors	Penalty
1/10	BC Men	86	64.62
	BC Women	57	83.26
1/11	BC Men	86	59.77
	BC Women	56	86.47
1/24	WP Men	104	60.66
	WP Women	62	75.87
1/25	WP Men	104	56.65
	WP Women	62	94.05
1/31	Telluride Men	83	61.95
	Telluride Women	55	91.55
2/1	Telluride Men	78	61.57
	Telluride Women	51	93.17
2/7	Loveland Men	99	34.12
	Loveland Women	54	82.24
2/8	Loveland Men	97	50.23
	Loveland Women	51	89.57

Prospects for 2005

Numbers of athletes within RMC has increased slightly, but participation by many schools is to a great degree a function of some motivated athlete stepping forward and running the school's ski team. University of Wyoming was blessed this year by getting rid of a couple of problematic coaches and having their program run by Geoff Stephenson, a recent member of the U.S. Ski Team. Additionally, Paul Roszypal at CU started the season off with somewhere near 43 members of his ski team program. Fort Lewis continues to support skiing and did well this year, as did CSU. A recent change in administration at the US Air Force Academy has made it easier for athletes to travel and race, whereas the prior administration had numerous constraints applied to their movement. More marginal programs within RMC such as Colorado College continue to suffer with insufficient funding and organization, however, RMC will try and work closer with these programs to facilitate their participation.

Certification of referees is a historic problem, however, this year there were four coaches within RMC with USSA referee licenses. Hopefully there will be more next season.

RMC will aggressively continue to seek out non-collegiate rabbits for its races. Experience has shown that lowering race penalties make our races look more inviting to some ski racers now attending college, but uninterested in competing at "second tier" races. Additionally, as the races become more competitive, additional skiers join the ranks in order to test themselves against the better skiers.

RMC continues to urge its programs to skip the non-scored student license in favor of the scored competitor's license, especially for all their first- and second-seed athletes, and will continue to support low-point athletes unable to afford the higher-priced competitor license.

While only a start, one ski industry company has shown an interest in sponsoring in some way future RMC races.

One suggestion that will be explored this fall is RMC creating its own web page, which will feature the seasonal schedule, links to the schools, photographs from recent races, results and an on-line race entry feature.

George Thomas
Rocky Mountain Conference – USCSA Coordinator

2004 Rocky Mt. Conference Nordic Summary

Last season RMC Nordic consisted of 3 official teams, University of Wyoming, United States Air Force Academy and Colorado Mountain College. The membership of this Conference varies considerably from year to year and is continually hurt by the ban on schools with NCAA teams. This is because nearly all of the ski schools in this region have NCAA teams: CU, DU, Western State, Utah, New Mexico etc. However, there is some hope on the horizon. There has been some interest in starting a USCSA team at Casper College, in Casper Wyoming, as well as Colorado School of Mines, in Golden Colorado.

RMCSA Nordic has 6 races that are held throughout Wyoming and Colorado before USCSA Nationals. Some of these races are part of citizen races and some are held in collaboration with NCAA races.

Frisco Governor's Cup:	January 24	Frisco, CO
USCSA Sprint/ <i>1km sprint race</i>	January 25	Leadville, CO
USAFA Invitational/Steamboat Stampede	January 31	Steamboat CO
Cowboy Chase/ UW Invitational	February 14&15	Laramie, WY
CU NCAA Race	February 21	Lake Eldora, CO

The level of competition at all these races, despite small numbers of teams, is extremely high and many of these athletes compete reasonably well with NCAA racers.

Thus, despite the small number of teams, RMC Nordic is competitive and growing. It is hoped that the addition of more teams and continued work will make this conference stronger and more diverse.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact Christi Boggs, uwski@yahoo.com, 307-766-3572

SCCSC Membership Statistics:

- 16 Alpine Teams (8 male/8 female)
- 18 Snowboard Teams (9 male/9 female)
- 450+ Athletes (60% Snowboard, 40% Skier)
- 30 Alpine Events
- 20 Snowboard Events
- 3000+ Racer Starts in 2003

2004 Season Highlights:

- UCSB sent the largest team of Snowboard competitors to attend 2004 Nationals.
- UCSB took first place women's team and first placemen's team at 2004 Nationals.
- SCCSC purchased \$2 million general insurance plan for only \$3136 for the season.

Conference Organization:

The SCCSC now has an executive staff of a President, Vice President, Marketing Director, Marketing Assistant, Treasurer, and Statistician. They collectively oversee all facets of the organization. All SCCSC member teams are run solely by student athletes and thus experience officer turnover quite regularly. The SCCSC has developed a new software tracking system to monitor racer entries, bib allocation, and seed for upcoming races online. This alleviates mishaps with paperwork and provides electronic record of race entries. The system has also reduced calculation time for conference awards at the end of the season.

Race Schedule 2003-2004:

Six race weekends were scheduled, each to include an Alpine GS and SL event, a Snowboard GS, a Boarder Cross and a Skier Cross. All races were held at Mammoth Lakes, CA and all aspects of each event are provided by Mammoth Mountain. Two individual races were cancelled due to weather and make-up races took place on other weekends. The Conference operated in accordance with USCSA rules and ran without any severe problems during the race season.

Financial Situation:

The SCCSC sets an operational budget in the Spring and operates from the budget guidelines in accordance with SCCSC policy and California non-profit corporation policies. Revenue is solely from member team dues. Dues are calculated based on two criteria, an individual membership cost and a per-racer cost for race entry fees. Fundraising and sponsorship are sought out by our Marketing Director and are currently underway for the 2004-2005 season to reduce member dues. Team fundraising does occur and all monies are used internally for their own team operation at their discretion. The SCCSC is financially stable. *2004 Far Western*

Regional Championship Results

Men's Results

1. Sierra Nevada College
2. Sierra College
3. UC Berkley
4. Stanford
5. UC Davis

Individual: Matthew

Bailey (Sac State)

Women's Results

1. Sierra Nevada College
2. Stanford
3. UC Davis
4. UC San Diego
5. UC Santa Barbara

Individual: Alice Miller
(UCB)

SCCSC Banquet & Team Awards:

The annual SCCSC awards banquet was held on the luxury yacht "Dream On" out of Newport, California. This event includes Italian buffet dinner, dancing, and an awards ceremony to honor our top athletes of the season. UC Santa Barbara took the first place combined ski and snowboard team, followed by UC San Diego in second place and Cal State University Long Beach in third place. The top three ski teams and snowboard teams were also awarded. The top individual athletes were awarded trophies for each discipline for each sex and were awarded combined trophies as well.

Moving Forward:

The SCCSC outlook for the 2004-2005 season looks very promising as we are anticipating two more colleges to join in our conference. We are currently projecting our membership to grow to 500 members during this upcoming season. The race schedule for next season will include 6 weekends of competition with 60 race events and multiple training opportunities for the student racers. Snowboard competitors are seeking more race events to include Half-pipe competition and SlopeStyle. Mammoth Mountain is in negotiation to host one half-pipe for our conference during the 2004-2005 season.

The SCCSC hopes to work with the Northern California Conference to develop a snowboard division for the Northern California Universities. Currently UC Davis competes as a guest team in SCCSC competition and is interested in investigating the possibilities of competing full time. Sierra College also has shown interest in joining our program.

The SCCSC hopes to work with any other conferences to share with them our success in making snowboarding a profitable entity in competition. We have already gone through the learning curve and want to see snowboarding succeed within the USCSA.

**Additional Information is available at our website
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