



	<p><u>Executive Vice President - Mark Sullivan:</u> Mark conveyed his respect for Paul who handled this year of transition with clarity, responsibility and intelligence.</p> <p><u>Vice President of Alpine - Kim Bownes:</u> The Alpine committee will have two important issues to resolve at this meeting: 1) The selection procedure to US Nationals 2) Resolving the issues of tie breaking for regions at post-season events. Congratulations to Jerry Wolf and Rocky Mt. College and their winning performance at the 2005 USCSA Nationals.</p> <p><u>Vice President of Cross Country - Skip Ravel:</u> Thank you to Ron Bonneau for his work in Idaho for our Championship. The Ponderosa State Park in Idaho put on a great event.</p> <p><u>Vice President of Snowboarding - Sam Bacchuber:</u> We sent two male athletes to USASA Championships form USCSA Championships. The issue pending for the snowboard committee this year will be automatic berths of USCSA athletes to USASA Nationals. This relationship between USASA and USCSA still needs to be cultivated. The 2005 National Championship proved to be an unsuccessful event for snowboarding members. We have to learn from this and move forward for next year In.</p> <p><u>Vice President of Academic Affairs - Bill Toof:</u> This was very busy year for the Academic Affairs. The activity of this committee was due to a transitional year and new Director. A proposed new registration system that will enable us to receive the necessary information quickly and with more accuracy will no doubt be helpful.</p> <p><u>Treasurer - Robin Dzubay</u> We are fiscally stable due to careful tracking of the school teams. Thanks to Laura and Paul Wojick for keeping careful track.</p> <p><u>Student Athletes</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Alyssa Wedgwood – Would like adding photo and a biography of our student athletes on the web site. Will look at how we can change the Student Athletes introduction at Nationals</li> <li>▪ Jim Pietrovito – Supports the idea of a new web site and would like to help.</li> <li>▪ Bill Hartman - 2005 Nationals Snowboarding need better treatment. Host Mountain was unprepared and had a negative effect on the athletes.</li> </ul>
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G05 - 04	<p><b>USSA Collegiate Committee, Park City, UT</b> <i>In attendance: Mark Sullivan, Paul Wojick, Ron Bonneau</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>USSA/USCSA Collegiate Working Group</u></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Submitted by Mark Sullivan</p> <p>USSA will not recognize the EISA vote to limit access to FIS-U events Proposal to revise collegiate quota to US Alpine National Championships USCSA selection criteria for top American Scheduling USCSA and NCAA National championships 50 percent of the incoming class of the US ski Team is coming out of the collegiate ranks this year. Recommendation in the Alpine Education and Development Subcommittee from Peter Dodge to consider sweeping revisions to the National Development Team.</p> <p><u>Alpine Officials Education Subcommittee</u></p>
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	<p>Certification is changing  New levels of concern regarding implementing a formal certification/testing protocol  Local correction of exams will still be performed but all exams will be sent to a regional representative to be checked and certified.  Coaches certification, recommended Level 100 require Level 1 Alpine Officials Certification, Level 200 require Level 1 Referee certification.</p> <p><u>Scheduling Subcommittee</u></p> <p>No major date conflicts  USCSA and NCAA will work together to coordinate scheduling formula  Management of collegiate athletes is becoming more of a concern for USSA</p>
G05-05	<p><b>Conference Coordinator Reports</b></p> <p>Written Reports provided by the following Conference Coordinators: (Please see reports attached at end of minutes)</p> <p>Eastern Conference – Mark Sullivan  Midwest Conference - Robin Dzubay  Northwest Conference - Ron Bonneau  Allegheny Conference - Bill Hetrick  Rocky Mountain Conference - George Thomas  Southern California Conference - Collin Casper  Grand Tetons Conference - Jerry Wolf  Southeast Conference - Lari Garren</p> <p>Mideast Conference - Jeff Egan - no written report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The conference divides into two different regional championships for post season.</li> <li>▪ There are 5 meets a year.</li> <li>▪ There is one scheduled cross over event each year with Adirondack Division</li> <li>▪ No insurance</li> </ul> <p>Not is attendance:</p> <p>New Jersey Conference - Bonnie Bartowski  Northern California Conference - Ryan Rodante</p>

Saturday, June 4, 2005, 8:08am

GENERAL



	<p>The omission of clear-cut rules to establish a tie-breaking procedure for individual athlete advancement from Regional to National Championships incurred serious philosophical differences among board members. The need for clarification is necessary. Note: WC points for selection presuppose the notion of "best athlete." Therefore,</p> <p>Proposed - In the event of a TIE in WC POINTS at a Regional Championships between athletes vying for individual qualifier status to a National Championships, the ties should be broken as follows in the five following scenarios:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Single WC Point Finish vs. Two WC Point Finishes Racer A has 1 finish + 1 dnf or dsq vs. Racer B with two finishes in top 30 = Tie break goes to Racer A with the SINGLE BEST PLACE finish.</li> <li>2. Single WC Point Finish vs. One WC Point Finish Plus One WC No-Point Finish Racer A has 1 finish + 1 dnf or dsq vs. Racer B with two finishes, one in top 30 and second finish &gt; 30th place (matching WC point finishes) = Tie break goes to Racer B with TWO FINISHED RACES.</li> <li>3. Identical WC Points w/o Identical Places Racer A has 2 finishes in top 30 vs. Racer B with two finishes in top 30 WITHOUT matching results (e.g. 7th + 3rd vs. 2nd + 15th have identical WC points 96) = Tie break goes to racer with SINGLE BEST PLACE (racer with 2nd place finish).</li> <li>4. Matching Finishes w/o 1st Places Racer A has 2 finishes in top 30 vs. Racer B with two finishes in top 30 WITH matching results (e.g. 3rd/5th vs. 5th/3rd) = Tie break goes to racer with lowest cumulative RACE POINTS FROM BOTH FINISHES.</li> <li>5. Matching Finishes with 1st Places Racer A finishes 1st and 2nd vs. Racer B who finishes 2nd and 1st = Tie break goes to racer with lowest 2nd PLACE RACE POINTS. (1st place = 0 race points for both racers).</li> </ol> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> (Lari Garren)</p> <p><b>Discussion</b></p> <p><b>Approved 3          Opposed 7          Abstentions 2</b></p>
ALP-05-02	<p>Mark Sullivan (Counter Proposal)</p> <p><b>Motion</b></p> <p>Made a proposal to amend the current rule to read: (<i>Amendment to the current rule Sec 7 page 6 second paragraph</i>)</p> <p>Should a tie exist in the sum of WC points, the sum of finish places shall be taken to break the tie. Racers that do not start, are disqualified or DNF will receive place points equal to total finishers + 1. Should a tie still exist, the sum of race points for the competitors shall be taken as a tiebreaker. In the case of 2 gold medallists with only a single finish, both will be invited.</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> (Bill Toof)</p> <p><b>Discussion</b></p> <p><b>Approved 10          Opposed 1          Abstentions 1</b></p>

ALP-05-3	<p>Mark Sullivan</p> <p><b>Motion</b></p> <p>Ski Length Rule: Amendment the rules to state in the alpine competition section that we follow the USSA Alpine Comp Guide, which specifically relates to the JI, JII and Senior rules. (Not Master's Rules).</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> (Lari Garren)</p> <p><b>Approved 10    Opposed 0    Abstentions 2</b></p>
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**ALPINE RULES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

ALP-05	<p><b>USCSA B.O.D. MEETING 2005</b></p> <p><b>Alpine Rules Committee Meeting Minutes</b></p> <p>Chair: Kim Bownes: Present Voting Members: Bill Hetrick, Mark Sullivan, Jerry Wolf, Jeff Egan, George Thomas, Lari Garren, Jim Peitrovito, David Gyger, Mike Dzubay, Alyssa Wedgwood</p> <p>Voting member by proxy: Ron Bonneau Guests: Bill Toof</p> <p>Meeting called to order</p> <p><b><u>Proposal # 5</u></b> – Submitted by George Thomas – Tie Breaking (see attached proposal)</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> by: Lari Garren</p> <p>Discussion: MS: This is strictly discussion for Regionals to Nationals, not Nationals to U.S. Nationals.</p> <p>BT: George's proposal is great within the philosophy of best athlete going on.</p> <p>MS: We have a tiebreaker in place. Why change? LG: Concerned that some conferences don't use race points during the regular season. BT: Conferences should create race points regardless. BT: What happens if someone doesn't finish race (no place points...110% worst time). No rule in place to account for this. This needs to be spelled out Rule needs to be amended or rewritten. LG: Will put race points into their races if given a formula. MS: The WC points already reward the fastest athlete. LG: Using GT's scenario use the current rule to see what happens. (Everyone was able to get an idea of how things may turn out using GT's proposal and using the current rule).</p> <p>BT: Amendment should say that times will be used where race points are not applicable.</p> <p>Vote on GT proposal: <b>In Favor 3      Opposed 7      Abstentions 2</b></p> <p><b>MS: Made a proposal to amend the current rule to read:</b></p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> BT</p> <p>Should a tie exist in the sum of WC points, the sum of finish places shall be taken to break the tie.</p>
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Racers that do not start, are disqualified or DNF will receive place points equal to total finishers + 1. Should a tie still exist, the sum of race points for the competitors shall be taken as a tie breaker.

OI: In the case of 2 gold medalists with only a single finish, both will be invited.

**Vote on MS proposal:**

**In Favor 10      Opposed 1      Abstentions 1**

**Proposal # 6** – submitted by Bill Hetrick: Ski Length Rule (see attached proposal)

BH: request that officials only handle enforcement of rule.

LG: Not sure what ski length rule applies (Master, JI...?)

MS: There was only 1 use of this rule in the entire US this year (Penn @ USCSA event).

LG: What do you do if you only have 1 pair of skis?

JE: Common sense needs to prevail.

BH: Person did not protest @ Nationals because nothing to gain.

BH: How do make sure officials use common sense.

KB: If rule was followed properly there is no recourse.

MS: Issue will subside over years.

Proposal # 6 was not 2<sup>nd</sup> and therefore was not voted on.

**Proposal # 7** - submitted by Lari Garren: Ski Length Rule (see attached proposal)

OI: Lari withdrew proposal and an amendment was made by MS/LG that will state in the alpine rules section that we follow the USSA Alpine Comp Guide which specifically relates to the JI, JII and Senior rules. (Not Master's Rules).

**In Favor 10    Opposed 0    Abstentions 2**

**CROSS COUNTRY COMPETITION AND RULES**

XC-05      Skip Ravel (Chairperson), Amy Lane (Eastern Conf.), Eric Millbrandt (Male Cross Country Student)

	Rep), Ava Bell (Female Cross Country Student Rep)
<b>GENERAL</b>	Cross Country Competition and Rules - Skip Ravel  The Committee addressed/ reviewed items from last years Board of Directors meeting that still needed action.

**OLD BUSINESS**

XC – 03	Technical Delegate to National Championship 1) Item reviewed by committee: USSA TD should be appointed at all races during the championships and have it included in bid package  2) The XC committee look into insurance coverage for the National events and come back to the Board with their findings
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**NEW BUSINESS**

XC-05 -01	No Report
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**CROSS COUNTRY RULES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

XC-05	No Report
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**SNOWBOARD COMPETITION AND RULES**

SB-05	Sam Bachhuber (Chairperson, Eastern Conf. & WPI), Collin Casper (SCSSC Con. Coordinator), Skip Ravel (Midwest Conf.), Bill Hartman (Snowboard Student Rep.), Johnanna Mahafty (Snowboard Student Rep)
<b>GENERAL</b>	No Report

**OLD BUSINESS**

SB-05 - 01	Sam Bachhuber <b>Motion</b>  Changed to the rule book: USSA rule state we run a time trial for Boarder cross to come up with result, we will use a time trial used for seating purposes (change) in the final qualification. Section#706  <b>Propose change:</b> Rule change - Rank of all riders in the final round will be determined by head to head competition. Riders not qualified for the final will be ranked according to qualifying times.  2 <sup>nd</sup> (Bill Hartman) <b>Discussion</b>  <b>Motion          Approved 21          Opposed 0          Abstentions 1</b>
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**NEW BUSINESS**

SB-05 -01	No Report
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**SNOWBOARD MEETING MINUTES**

SB-05	No Report
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**ACADEMIC AFFAIRS AND REGIONAL SUBCOMMITTEE**

AA-05	Bill Toof (Chairperson), Skip Ravel (Midwest Conf.), Bill Hetrick (Allegheny Conf.), Mark Sullivan (Eastern Conf. & WPI) Andy Rangen (Midwest Conf)
<b>GENERAL</b>	Proposals # 8, George Thomas, Eliminate Date of last Physical Exam, Withdrawn.

**OLD BUSINESS**

AA-05 -01	No Report
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**NEW BUSINESS**

AA-05 -01	No Report
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**ACADEMIC AFFAIRS MEETING MINTUES**

AA-05	No Report
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**BUSINESS AND LEGAL**

BL-05	Jeff Egan (Chairperson, Mideast Conf. & Syracuse Univ.), Bill Hetrick (Allegheny Conf.), Paul Wojick (President & St. Olaf College), Ron Bonneau (not in attendance Mark Sullivan Proxy, Northwest Conf., Member at Large & Albertson College), Amy Lane (Member at Large & WPI), Alyssa Wedgewood (Alpine Student Representative & CSM), Andy Rangen (Midwest& Member at Large)
<b>GENERAL</b>	No Report

**OLD BUSINESS** No Report

BL-04-01	Jeff Egan Reminder: To produce hard copies of a complete rule books for all conference coordinators
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**NEW BUSINESS**

BL-05-01	Amy Lane <b>Motion</b>  National Registration Fee Restructure for Individual Competitors  Currently, the registration fees for the 2004-2005 seasons for teams were \$225 for the first team, and \$125 for each additional team. This roughly translates to a \$100 institution fee,
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	<p>and then \$125 team registration fee. As it is currently, the registration form does not clearly define the costs for individual competitors, they must contact the National Office for the fees associated. However, the precedent used over the past few years has been:</p> <p>1 competitor - \$25  2 competitors - \$50  3 or more competitors - \$125.</p> <p>This does not encourage those schools with 2 athletes to find a third person because there is such a large price difference. Also, I feel the registration and work associated with a 1 or 2 person team can sometimes be just as labor intensive as a team with many members.</p> <p>I would like to have a set rate for these individuals restructured to encourage individuals to find teams and to reflect the amount of work the National Office does for these individuals. I feel that an individual should first pay the \$100 institution fee (if they do not have another member program at their school), and then the competitor/team fees should be roughly prorated for each individual on the following basis:</p> <p>1 competitor - \$50  2 competitors: \$100  3 or more competitors: \$125.</p> <p>I feel the fees should be slanted this way so that it encourages finding the third person to have a complete team and to reflect the amount of work the National Office puts into these programs.</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> (Alyssa Wedgwood)  <b>Discussion</b></p> <p><b>Unanimous Voice (22)</b></p>
BL-05-02	<p>Laura Sullivan  <b>Motion</b></p> <p>Move to on-line registration system for USCSA.</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> (Lari Garren)  Discussion</p> <p><b>Approved 16          Opposed 0          Abstentions 1</b></p>
BL-05-03	<p>Paul Wojick  <b>Motion</b></p> <p><b>USCSA Institution fee</b>  On or prior to Nov.22 = \$100.  After Nov.22 = \$150</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> (Bill Toof)  Discussion</p> <p>Paul – Needs to be no later than it is currently, 22nd November, earlier to be better, but momentum is hard to get in October.</p> <p><b>Unanimous Voice (22)</b></p>
BL-05-04	<p>Jeff Egan  <b>Motion</b></p>

	<p>Proposes that the committee come to the board next year with a dues increase proposal.  2<sup>nd</sup> (Bill Hetrick)  Discussion</p> <p>Mark wants some thought into a self-perpetuating structure.  .</p> <p><b>Unanimous Voice (22)</b></p>
BL-05 -05	<p>Paul Wojick  <b>Motion</b></p> <p>Moves that committee propose to the board that we sell space on the website according to terms developed by this committee over the summer. All ads approved by the Executive board.</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> (Jeff Egan)  Discussion</p> <p><b>Unanimous Voice</b></p>

**BUSINESS AND LEGAL MEETING MINUTES**

BL-05	<p><b><u>Business And Legal Committee meeting.</u></b>  1:20 PM 6/3/05</p> <p>Members present: Jeff Egan, Paul Wojck, Bill Hetrick  Extras: Lari Garren (Secretary)</p> <p>Pg. 72, Proposition #9  Fix 2 competitors to \$50</p> <p>Amy – Skewed to not promote a real team. Trying to propose to skew so that it is not much of a jump to get a full team. And also because of the extra paperwork</p> <p>Paul Seconds</p> <p>Discussion: Doesn't want people to be overly discouraged to get that third person. Getting the third person to become a better deal.</p> <p>Tim was charging a fee, not set scaled anywhere.</p> <p>Paul wants fees to be in the rule book or on website.</p> <p>Vote: All in favor, passes</p> <p>Extras from last year, rulebooks</p> <p>Jeff wants every school to have a rulebook. Last year approved for conference coordinators and division coordinators.</p> <p>Paul Why wouldn't schools just look for the rules on the website?</p> <p>Jeff thinks having one in hand especially for the team is important.</p>
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Robin sends out e-mails reminding her teams where the rulebook is.

Andy wouldn't have read it or printed it, but would reference it if he needed it. Thinks it might be nice to give to the president of the team, but might not download it.

Paul, costs about \$5000 last time we did it. (every team) 3-4 years ago the binders, Reliable subsidized the binders. Bill can't remember the cost being that high.

Estimate 200 rulebooks needed.

Robin, could we send it out electronically?

Bill, board already too action to print and send it to the current coordinators and board members.

Andy, looks to president of team for rule clarification, but if he were in the other shoes would go to web and print copy. Type of delivery system doesn't matter. Sent directly as an attachment might be easier. Requires responsible people to print it out.

Mark, what if it was Pdfed to print properly. So it printed properly, quickly. Anyone requesting it should get it. Different generations at play. Can't justify \$5000 spent on doing rulebooks that could go towards other things to further the organizations.

Laura can do the conference ones off the organization off her home computer, but more would require extra expenses

Provide hard copies of updated rulebook to conference coordinators and division coordinators or board members not included. Simply make hard copies available to those that want them, but steer them towards the web. Simplify the pdf version of the rulebook to add printability.

Laura in updating the website hopes to make all this easier to find.

Jeff, does Laura need more expenditure to help her do her job?

Laura, No. Cost from redoing the website and online registration.

Photography issue to make sure we get what we need to market ourselves.

Can this committee come back after the others meet to make sure there's funding to meet our new ideas. Marketing and event coordinator, late fees etc.

Paul Wojick

**Motion**

Propose that this committee propose to the board to implement a late fee of \$50.

2<sup>nd</sup> (Bill Hetrick)

Discussion

Date? Paul – Needs to be no later than it is currently, 22nd November, earlier to be better, but momentum is hard to get in October.

**Unanimous Voice**

Paul, proposal in 3 parts:

1. Late Fee
2. Electronic Team and member registration
3. Only piece of paper, a release of liability form from the individual.

Keep registrars forms.

We could have different dates on all of these. Could implement earlier for individual information.

Currently Tuesday before Thanksgiving, everything due.

Jeff trying to describe a real world situation about the kid going to the website.

Discussion about registering the individual forms electronically.

Question between one person doing it for the whole team or each athlete doing it individually.

Jeff 4 things:

1. Team registration
2. Individual registration
3. Academic eligibility
4. Dues

Mark says individual liability should be earlier. If a team is having dryland, then we need to have all this information on hand and liability release in earlier. Want e-mail lists earlier too.

Bill, team numbers keep growing throughout the fall.

Laura, activity increases around the deadline. Like an October 1st deadline with a late late deadline of end of November.

Jeff ok as long as we notify better.

Andy, set up an announcement mailing list?

Bill, late registration? Several teams meet one time in the fall, go on break until 3rd of January and not in touch with their teammates until they see them at the first race.

Eric – Early Bird discount?

Bill not talking about the dues, taking about individual competitors forms.

Laura, not trying to be militant about them and prevent growth.

Andy, putting up information online and make it a searchable database.

Mark, combination of making it works from conference coordinators and through people going online. Late fee coming in to affect the schools. Right now we have no policy for adding anyone after the “deadline.”

Paul, allowing people to operate outside of our current rulebook.

Jeff, need room for rolling additions.

Paul, we need to operate within a certain level of reasonability, and give them some incentive to do it early. Reducing the burden by letting them do it electronically.

Laura, like a 5-step process and trying to eliminate some of the steps where mistakes can be made.

Laura, suggestion, send out a postcard to division coordinators to give a list of the changes.

Jeff could go out with rulebook.

Paul, Wojick

### **Motion**

Propose to keep deadline for team, academic and dues, but move up individual competitors registration and implement an online portion. November 1, as a deadline, regardless of how it's sent in.

2<sup>nd</sup> ( Bill Hetrick)

Discussion

**Unanimous Voice**

Laura, buying space on our website and selling our information.  
Paul, redevelop a policy towards sponsors?  
Laura, about how do we approach local sponsors at nationals as well.  
Robin, how could we put in an opt out box on the names.  
Mark, does the organization want to sell the contact information? What about current information, we can send out a mailing to the list, and they want the names for themselves.  
Reliable wants discession within our rules.  
Jeff wants to distinguish between sponsors and suppliers. We need to find a way to differentiate.  
Paul, do we want to see these addresses?  
Collin, doesn't like the idea of selling e-mail.  
Laura, sells other mailing lists. You can have restrictions when selling a mailing list. Usually within a contract.  
Andy, depends on under what privacy policy addresses were obtained.  
Lari, wording on what you call distribution of the numbers.  
Laura, hasn't done anything with the current addresses.  
Toof, another option for people who voluntarily take place in this organization. In order to participate, you must give us your information. Sort of like providing proof of insurance.  
Jeff thinks the legal research needs to be done.  
Leaves it to a subcommittee, to come to the Executive board over the course of the year.

Paul Wojick  
**Motion,**

Move that a subcommittee of the business and legal committee come up with a privacy policy over the course of the summer to be brought to the executive board by September 1st, 2005.

2<sup>nd</sup> (Jeff Egan)  
All in favor.

**Unanimous Voice**

Andy Rangan, Laura Sullivan, Paul Wojick, appointed committee members.

Selling advertising on the website. Currently have click throughs on reliable and beyond x. Banner Ads? Issue is, are we going to do it? To random companies not currently affiliated.

Paul Wojick  
**Motion**

Moves that committee propose to the board that we sell space on the website according to terms developed by this committee over the summer. All ads approved by the Executive board.

2<sup>nd</sup> (Jeff Egan)

We currently have deals with uvex and holmenkol products.  
Broform coming off of the website.

**Unanimous Voice**

	<p>Mark, dues increase? How long down the road are we going to need a dues increase?</p> <p>Jeff Egan  <b>Motion</b></p> <p>Proposes that the committee come to the board next year with a dues increase proposal.  2<sup>nd</sup> (Bill Hetrick)  Discussion  .</p> <p><b>Unanimous Voice</b></p> <p>Mark wants some thought into a self-perpetuating structure?</p> <p>Bill, still charging that \$10 surcharge at nationals? Yes. Trying to have it go back into National office.</p> <p>Mark, proposal about event coordinator. Hope to gain more control over our event.</p> <p>Paul, have a situation where we are almost entirely at the mercy of thee ski hill. Need to do more to get members of the organization there earlier to get the job done. If we can't get members of the board to do this, then we need to hire an event coordinator to do it.</p> <p>Does the cost have to be strictly incurred by the event or the organization? Who really benefits from the event running well?</p> <p>Consider this into whether or not we have a dues increase.</p>
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**MARKETING**

MKT-05	Paul Wojick (Chairperson), Jeff Egan (Mideastern Conf. Coordinator), Collin Casper (SCSSC Conf. Coordinator) Amy Lane (ECSC Nordic), Skip Ravel, Bill Hartman (SB Student Rep.)
<b>GENERAL</b>	Paul state that all issue of Marketing for 2005 will be itemized under one proposal for this meeting.

**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> <p>Follow up:  Jeff did not make contact with Ski Racing this past season. Ski Racing contacted USCSA National office during the 2005 season, however there was no indication that a relationship would ensue.</p>
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**NEW BUSINESS**

MKT-05-01	<p>Paul Wojick  <b>Motion</b></p> <p>\$7500  Propose the same budget but in a different form  - Purchase an ad on split second timing  - Allocate the same amount of money to the USSA congress = 1500</p>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Remainder of the funds be allocated to the brochures</li> <li>- Bibs for national championship</li> <li>- SB panel</li> <li>- GS panels rental</li> <li>- Banners for Nationals</li> </ul> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> (Amy Lane) Discussion</p> <p><b>Unanimous Voice 22</b></p>
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**MARKETING MEETING MINTUES**

MKT-05	No Report
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**NOMINATIONS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE**

NA - 05	Jeff Egan (Chairperson, Mideastern Conference, Empire Division) Kim Bownes (VP Alpine), Ava Bell (Cross Country Student Athlete Rep.)
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**NEW BUSINESS**

NA - 05	<p><b>Holger Petersen Volunteer Award</b></p> <p>The Recipient of the 2005 Holger Petersen Volunteer Award is Paul Wojick</p>
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**OLD BUSINESS**

NA-04-01	<p>Jeff Egan</p> <p><b>Second Request</b></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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**NOMINATIONS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

NA-05	No Report
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**NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP COMMITTEE**

NCC-05	<p>Paul Wojick (Chairperson), Kim Bownes (Alpine Coordinator), Skip Ravel (Cross Country Coordinator), Sam Bachhuber (Snowboard Coordinator), Laura Sullivan (Executive Director), Eric Millbrandt (Male XC Student Athlete), Bill Hartman (SB student Rep), Jim Peitrovito (Male Alp Student Rep), Alyssa Wedgwood (Female Alp Student Rep), Mark Sullivan(VP USCSA. ECSC chair) (All Ex- Officio members)</p>
<b>GENERAL</b>	<p>Paul Wojick thanked all of the help from the VP of USCSA at the National Championships. Special thanks to Sam Bacchuber who kept the Snowboard from failure.</p> <p>Paul will change the wording for this group to eliminate school as representation to this group and replace it with VP's and one Student representatives from each discipline.</p>

	<p>2007 Bid discussion: Collin Casper submitted a bid from Mammoth Mountain, Ca., which is too much. Collin will go back to the organizers there with this problem and see if they can renegotiate the price.</p> <p>Mark Sullivan is working with Snowbasin in Utah for a price and commitment. Will have an answer within a few weeks.</p> <p><u>Student Representatives</u> Ideas to convey:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Webs site accessibility, a forum for students;</li> <li>▪ we fully support a professional photographer for National Championship</li> <li>▪ . In regards to Nationals, We like all daily awards together, push back later in the day and schedule for 4 pm.</li> <li>▪ Awards Banquet, like to still have it have the dress code a semi formal and have it distributed and have it in the registration packets.</li> <li>▪ Have Academic all American help with Awards,.</li> <li>▪ To have consistent awards the executive board approves.</li> <li>▪ Quality awards, indicative of the area.</li> <li>▪ Team awards could be the same year to year. Individual awards could be different.</li> <li>▪ Student athletes need to be more involved with the events. Like the parade of the teams at National, help the student athletes help with opening ceremonies, increase the visibility let other athletes.</li> <li>▪ Consider a T-Shirt or vest that designates them as student athletes</li> </ul>
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**OLD BUSINESS**

NCC-05 -01	<p>Amy Lane <b>Motion</b></p> <p><i>Amendment to section 6 of the rules referencing 4-way event scoring:</i> If a tie exists for 4-way award recipient (i.e. first place), the tie will be broken by adding up the percentage back of each of the 4-events, where percentage back is determined by the following formula: <math display="block">\frac{(\text{Sum of the teams times}) - (\text{Sum of the winning teams times})}{(\text{Sum of the winning team's times})}</math></p> <p>Where the lowest total of the 4 percentages back wins. (Insert in Section 6 after reference of 4-way scoring)</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> (Eric Millbrandt) Discussion</p> <p><b>Approved 20          Opposed 0          Abstentions 2</b></p>
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**NEW BUSINESS**

NCC -05-01	<p>RON BONNEAU/ Mark Sullivan <b>Motion</b></p> <p><i>Timing and results at National Championships</i> Propose that we bring our own results/calculations team to Nationals each year with the understanding that we remove this item and cost from the bid package. Most areas that host USCSA Nationals encounter tremendous difficulty producing our system of scoring. Timing and USSA paperwork can still continue to be the host areas responsibility</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> (Jim Peitrovito)</p>
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	<b>Unanimous Vote 22</b>
NCC-05-02	<p>Paul Wojick <b>Motion</b></p> <p>Propose to change to committee members to appoint to the host conference on the national championships committee – Mark Sullivan and one student rep from each discipline to be on the National Championship Committee</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> (Skip Ravel)</p> <p><b>Unanimous Voice 22</b></p>
NCC-05-03	<p>RON BONNEAU/ Mark Sullivan <b>Motion</b></p> <p><i>Propose that our organization hire an event coordinator for this event.</i> The cost of the event coordinator would be included in the overall fee charged for the event</p> <p><b>Friendly amendment. – Paul Wojick</b> The specific including the cost with the situation will bring to the Full board but a final decision will be by the Executive board.</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> (Eric Millbrandt) Discussion</p> <p>Bill Toof: Wants a fixed charge to not burden the organization I would like the executive board to have guidance as to the parameters. I would like to see the group who is assigned to this task to bring who they arrive at this amount</p> <p>Lari Garren: We need to do this right and have someone in this position that will be with us for 3 years at a clip. I believe we are fixated on how much it will cost. We could benefit from this if we construct the contract carefully and gives us the ability to have a say.</p> <p><b>Approved 19    Opposed 1 (Jeff Egan)    Abstentions</b></p>

**NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

NCC-05	<p><b><u>National Championship Committee Meeting</u></b> (4:20 Friday Full board in attendance)</p> <p>Ron B. R proposal to hire an event coordinator. Paul Wojick gave history of how our national championships have run in the past. WE have come to a point in time where what was once working is not working any more. We have to take a new direction to have this event become a quality event.</p> <p>Mark S. has proxy for Ron B. Mark reads the bid ( put the proposal into this section Laura) The mission should be to be able to pull this event off to the best we can be,. Ron has been involved with putting this event off for several years and know what it takes to get a good event put together, Paul W. - Like to hear from past presidents.</p> <p>Jeff Egan - Past events at McCall was not how it has been the previous times I have been there (2 times before). I do not know how an event coordinator will help with the problems we are dealing with.</p> <p>Bill H. If we got someone within the group to be the event coordinator we would be a better chance</p>
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of having a better product, however I would also like to look at areas who have put these events together for us before and keep going back to these areas because we know that they can handle it. Repeat performance! Identify a handful of areas who know they can do the job and use them over and over again.

Jeff Egan; Sometime where you go will dictate what we need to do, example the banquet...I did not enjoy the banquet at all this year. The high school gym was not enjoyable. We had some control over some of these things. Sit down theatre style to have the awards and have the meal separated. We might have to be more flexible about what we can do depending on what the area has available.

Mark S – this proposal addresses that we are dealing with the same person every year your event coordinator provides this. Having the same area does not solve the problem with having a great event because the player at the areas change every year like Waterville Valley. The nature of this proposal is to find someone in-house I think this is what we should have.

Paul W. Our bid is so big about what the areas can provide that the event coordinator could take more of the responsibility away from the areas. I believe even if we do have an event coordinator we will have to have to be flexible in the past as Jeff Suggested.

Sam B. I am for an event coordinator because we will have one thing that is constant.

Kim B. What type of person do we have to do all of this?

Marks I think the idea is to be put on the table to do it then finding it! Then there would be a follow up situation that would have to follow. I do not think getting detailed about whom it should be. The question is if this is something this committee would recommend to the board and then move forward.

Mark An event coordinator will bring continuity and more sponsorship and their is value in the fact that the person doing this job will get better value for their dollar. It increases the value of the event.

Sam thinks that \$65 a person is small compared to the outcome of what the event could bring. How many athletes will we loose coming to the event because they know it is a horrible event they won't come next year.

Andrew Schultz – I am willing as an athlete to pay that if it will make this experience that much better that kind of many is not an issue

Paul W. I agree with Mark that this is just an approval for an expletory effort for us to have the approval to move forward. This means that we will have the power to investigate this and try to see what we come up with.

**Next proposal - #3**

Jim Pietrovito Second -

Sam B We cannot expect to have the mountains to ever do this!! No one can be equipped to do this.

Bill Toof – this is a good idea, we can even have someone form that area instead of flying the people out.

**All approved!!! Accepted.**

**Amy Lane, proposal - #4**

Second by Sam B.

Mark S – Can you let us know how this affects that this would way more heavily on the relay.

Paul W. is this go back to weighing heavily on the relay?

Mark. How can we do this another way to unweight the relay?

Bill Toof. The numbers of points picked up in the other event to weigh it There is no ways to equate tow separate disciplines that have no relation. It is a hard factor

Paul W Move to table this till tomorrow to have more time for this to think over how to deal with this issue

Table the motion

Mark Sullivan Approved.

Paul W. Move on to Discussion on host area by Bill H. Paul asks have written comments handed in

	<p>no later than Sat. Morning!!</p> <p>Paul W. Adjourn</p>
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**ITEMS OF THE FULL BOARD**

FB-05	<p>Paul Wojick (President &amp; St. Olaf), Mark Sullivan (Exec. VP &amp; Eastern Conf.), Robin Dzubay (Treasurer &amp; Midwest Conf.), Kim Bownes(VP Alpine &amp; Plymouth State University), Skip Ravel ( VP Cross-Country), Sam Bachhuber ( VP Snowboard &amp; WPI), Amy Lane ( Executive at Large, Eastern XC &amp; WPI), Jeff Egan ( Mideast Conf. &amp; Syracuse), Bill Hetrick ( Allegheny Conf. ), George Thomas ( Rocky Mtn. Conf. &amp; Colorado Mtn. College), Jerry Wolf ( Grand Teton Conf. ), Collin Casper ( Southern California Conf.&amp; UCSD)), Mike Dubzay (Midwest Conf), Lari Garren (Southeastern Conf.), Eric Millbrandt ( Cross Country Student Rep. &amp; WPI), Jim Peitrovito ( Alpine Student Rep. &amp; WPI), Alyssa Wedgwood ( Alpine Student Rep. &amp; Colorado School of Mines), Ava Bell( Cross Country Student Rep. &amp; Wyoming University), Joanna Mahaffy ( Snowboard Student Rep. &amp; Westmont College), Bill Hartman (Snowboard Student Rep &amp; Western Mich. Univ.)Dave Gyger ( Plymouth State University, ECSC Rep), Laura Sullivan (USCSA Executive Director)</p>
<b>GENERAL</b>	<p>2006 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING:( <i>Paul Wojick</i>)</p> <p>Next year meeting in the East. Bill Hetrick and Paul Wojick will be working on location</p>

**OLD BUSINESS**

FB-04	<p>Paul Wojick</p> <p><b>Motion</b></p> <p>Restructuring Board of Directors</p> <p>Proposal to charge the Executive Board with</p> <p>a) Exploring models for restructuring the USCSA Board of Directors and/or establishing a USCSA Board of Trustees.</p> <p>b) Bringing a proposal in this regard to the full board for consideration at the 2006 annual meeting.</p> <p>Rationale: Positioning the organization to move forward with its goals, both stated and unstated, over the next 20 years.</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> (Mark Sullivan)</p> <p>Discussion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Paul Wojick, have this board meet members of a board that would entail professional form industry high profiles positions that could bring expertise to this BOD that we do not currently express. Explore what this restructuring could look like.</li> <li>▪ Lari does wants to ensure conferences will be well represented. Bill Hetrick believes that it will help bring money and expertise to the table.</li> <li>▪ Amy – Other BOD I have participated have benefited from having this</li> <li>▪ Paul I am just asking that we address this issue and to have some research how it will help.</li> <li>▪ Kim B – Other BODs I feel strongly that having people on the BOD who have expertise in certain areas and wealthy BOD on the Bod helps. Everyone is required to donate at the capital fundraising...there is a great dynamic when you have all of this together, lawyers, writer, and film directors and has created High powered BOD.</li> </ul> <p><b>21 in favor                  Opposed                  1 abstention</b></p>
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## NEW BUSINESS

FB-05-	No Report
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## FULL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

FB-05	No report
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1:55 Meeting Adjourn  
Bill Toof 2<sup>nd</sup>

## Attached Conference Reports

### Southern California Collegiate Ski & Snowboard Conference

*Spring 2005*

*Report to the Board of Directors*

#### SCCSC Membership Statistics:

- 15 Alpine Teams (8 male/7 female)
- 20 Snowboard Teams (10 male/10 female)
- 450+ Athletes (70% Snowboard, 30% Skier)
- 24 Alpine Events (36 scheduled, 12 cancelled due to weather)
- 16 Snowboard Events (24 scheduled, 8 cancelled due to weather)
- 1800+ Racer Starts in 2005

#### Conference Organization:

The SCCSC now has an executive staff of a President, Vice President, Marketing Director, Snowboard Marketing Manager, Treasurer, and Database Manager, and Newsletter Editor. 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 refined its software tracking system to monitor racer entries, bib allocation, and seed for upcoming races online. Online seeding has been a huge success this past season and allows for ease of race seeding virtually anywhere in the world.

**Race Schedule 2004-2005:** Six race weekends were scheduled, each to include an Alpine GS and SL event, a Snowboard GS, a BoarderCross and a SkierCross. All races were held at Mammoth Lakes, CA and all aspects of each event are provided by Mammoth Mountain. Two complete race weekends were cancelled due to weather and 1 day of races were cancelled during one of the other weekends. Makeup race scoring took place at our last race weekend of the season, with single run races instead of combined races, based on a majority vote of the colleges. The Conference operated in accordance with USCSA rules and ran without any severe problems during the race season. *2005 Far Western Regional Championship Results*

#### Men's Results

1. Sierra Nevada College
2. Sierra College
3. UC San Diego
4. UC Berkeley
5. Stanford

#### Women's Results

1. Sierra Nevada College

2. Stanford
3. UC Davis
4. UC Berkeley
5. UC San Diego

**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 team and are currently underway for the 2005-2006 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 strong.

**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 San Diego took the first place combined ski and snowboard team, followed by UC Santa Barbara in second place and San Diego State University 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 2005-2006 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 475 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 2005-2006 season.

The SCCSC hopes to work with the Northern California Conference to develop a snowboard division for the Northern California Universities. Currently Sierra Nevada College competed as a fully registered snowboard team in SCCSC competition. The SCCSC strongly encourages any interested snowboarders and snowboard teams in Northern California to join in our program until a program is developed in Northern California.

Snowboarding, as a competitive sport, has the greatest growth potential out of the three disciplines in the USCSA and should strongly be encourage within every region. The SCCSC hopes to be able to share our success in making snowboarding a profitable entity in competition with any interested conferences throughout the USCSA. We have already gone through the learning curve and realize that snowboarding is pivotal for the growth and success of the USCSA in the future.

**Additional Information is available at our website [www.sccsc.com](http://www.sccsc.com)**

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President, SCCSC, Inc.

## Southeastern Conference

We run Snowboard and Alpine Events for 4 weekends per year. This year, our first race ran rescheduled the weekend after MLK with SL on Friday and GS on Saturday at Sugar Mountain, NC. The next weekend we ran GS at 4pm on Saturday and SL on Sunday at Bryce, VA. The next weekend we headed to Wintergreen, VA for a Saturday GS and Sunday SL. Some of the Snowboarders joined the hill sponsored Boarder Cross on Sunday. Our conference championships occurred the next weekend at Snowshoe, WV, with GS Saturday and SL Sunday. We held our party at the Shavers Center at 3pm following the Sunday SL where we handed out weekend and season awards. The top 10 individuals in Women's Alpine, Men's Alpine, Women's SB, and Men's SB each received a trophy. The top four teams in each event also received a trophy, with the skiers invited to regionals. On average, we ran 215 on a GS and 135 on a SL day.

The Snowboarders only raced in the GS. We averaged around 80 snowboarders a weekend. We ran two flights, A team and B team, in each division except Women's Snowboard, where we only had one team with more than five snowboarders. We ran women's SB as an open entry with up to ten allowed. If we have more than two teams with more than five racers next year, we will split it to A and B teams. We plan on going to all the same mountains next year, and are working out 2 boarder crosses and a stubby SL event. Each team paid a \$75 per division season fee. (Ex, men's Alpine, Women's SB, etc.) The maximum fee was \$300 for the season. The race entry fee was \$10 per racer per day. If a racer raced both Alpine and SB, then they paid to enter both. I paid a hill fee of \$5 per racer that started. I was able to pay for the conference dinner and all season awards off profits made on race day.

**Lari Garren**

## NW COLLEGIATE SKI AND SNOWBOARD CONFERENCE

### SPRING REPORT

2005

The Northwest Collegiate Ski and Snowboard Conference had a successful year. The NWCSC hosted the final two events using its own resources and this proved to be very effective. 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 was host to the USCSA Regional Championship, Feb 24-26, and the USCSA National Championship, Mar 7-12, in McCall, ID.

Data for the 2004-2005 season:

<b>Alpine:</b>	Gender/ # participants		Penalty	
	Event			
NWCSC WGS		33		113.85
(Average)	WSL		33	85.92
	MGS		43	80.25
	MSL		40	53.66
Regionals	WGS		62	68.68
McCall, ID	MGS		75	42.14
	WSL		63	69.49

	MSL	76	41.38
Nationals	WGS	97	57.25
McCall, ID	MGS	107	41.92
	WSL	97	46.11
	MSL	107	34.26

Two schools represented the NWCSC in alpine at the National Championship, Albertson College and University of British Columbia.

		UBC	ACI
Overall finish	W	5	8
	M	5	11
All American	M/W	7	0

**Cross Country:** The NWCSC did not actively participate PNSA events and was represented at the National Championship by one team from the University of Idaho. We hope to incorporate more involvement in the PNSA schedule as well as identify more schools that have athletes looking for an opportunity to participate.

Albertson College of Idaho will reestablish its varsity cross country program effective for the Fall 2005 school year.

**Snowboard:** The NWCSC participated in one event in the NW, Idaho Winter Games, Tamarack Resort, ID, and two with the USCSA (USCSA Western Region Championships and the USCSA National Championships, both held in McCall, ID).

The cooperative relationship with USASA has allowed easier access to events and event planning. The NWCSC hopes to develop the relationship with USASA further by broadening the opportunities for NWCSC athletes to be able to participate in multiple series events sponsored by USASA.

Three NWCSC schools represented the NW at the USCSA Nationals in McCall, ID, Albertson College of Idaho, Whitman College and University of Idaho.

#### Overall Finish

		ACI	WHT	UI
Giant Slalom	W	11	3	2
	M	8	1	2
Slopestyle	W	11	3	2
	M	1	4	2
Boardercross	W	12	2	6
	M	5	6	4
All American	M/W	3	6	7

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

Albertson College	7
Univ of British Columbia	4
Univ of Idaho	NA
Whitman College	6

#### New Business for 2005:

- 1) Continue to build an equipment inventory sufficient to be able to host events
- 2) Continue to work towards establishing a website for:

General information distribution

Race schedule  
Rankings  
How to get involved for new schools and or/individuals  
3) Actively pursue race site venues for the qualifying race series

**Respectively Submitted:**

**Ron Bonneau**

**4/26/05**

**Eastern Collegiate Ski Conference**  
**USCSA Annual Board of Directors Meeting**  
**June 4, 2005, - Minneapolis, MN**

The ECSC membership remains steady. This season saw 30 alpine teams and 8 Nordic programs (a portion of which are Mid-East schools). The Nordic membership is on the rise with Syracuse and UMaine PI joining this season. The conference heard a proposal to create a fourth alpine division and possibly a second Nordic division in the state of Maine. The proposal involved a number of new members in addition to the relocation of several existing teams residing in Maine.

The conference completed another successful season with approximately 6,000 racer starts during the 2005 season. Divisions hosted 24 USSA scored events, 10 independently insured alpine events, and 14 Nordic events. Due to rising insurance costs the last alpine division independently insuring itself will transition to USSA sanctioned events next season. The division will start off only sanctioning their events with USSA next season with the goal of hosting fully scored USSA events in 2007.

The ECSC hosted both the alpine and cross-country Eastern Regional Championships at Waterville Valley in New Hampshire. The events were held on a Saturday and Sunday this past season departing from the Sunday/Monday format used in years past.

Brief Financial Summary - The ECSC did approximately \$93,000 of business during the 2005 season. While three of the four ECSC divisions only financial activity is dues collection, one division collects entry fees similar to the USCSA National Championships and handles all the event expenses for their members representing the majority of the total dollars above. The Conference is financially sound with a balance of approximately \$10,000 heading into the 2006 season.

The ECSC continued their membership budget survey. Compiling the second year of data has raised some serious concerns. While the average dollars spent and dollars fund raised has increased, all of the survey questions relating to school funding levels have decreased from 2004 to 2005. While only two seasons are currently available for comparison the overwhelming decline in school support for both club and varsity programs is disconcerting. See summary attached and the next page.

Respectfully Submitted

Mark Sullivan ECSC Chairman

## **ALLEGHENY COLLEGIATE SKI CONFERENCE REPORT**

### **USCSA Board Meeting**

**June, 2005**

Notwithstanding a slow start to winter, the 2005 racing season for the Allegheny Collegiate Ski Conference was very successful. The 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 schools of our participating teams, most all of which are “club” sports. This is very much appreciated at a time when competition for funds is intense.

The ACSC scheduled 10 separate races on five weekends, running from mid-January through mid-February. We had an average of 146.6 racers at each race, for a grand total of 1466 registrants for the season. These numbers are up from 2004, are new highs for a season, and are up for the second year in a row. Our high weekend was 154 racers.

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:

1/15-16/06 – Jack Frost Mt., PA

1/22-23/06 – Elk Mt. PA

1/29-30/06 – Timberline Resort, WV

2/5-6/06 – Wisp Ski Resort, MD

2/12-13/06 – Tussey Mt., PA (Conference Finals)

The Allegheny Collegiate Ski Conference had nine teams competing in the 2005 racing season: Bucknell University (PA), Davis & Elkins College (WV), Penn State University (PA), University of Maryland (MD), University of Pennsylvania (PA), United States Naval Academy (MD), Villanova University (PA), West Chester University (PA), and West Virginia University (WV). A grand total of 287 racers were enrolled on these teams for the season, which included 178 men and 109 women (in 2004 this was 190 men and 92 women).

The 2005 Mid-Atlantic Regional Championships were held at Blue Mt., PA, hosted by the Southeastern 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). The Empire Division will host in 2006.

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 utilize our own timing equipment at all of our races. 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 under \$23,000 (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. 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 sponsoring schools and our host ski areas. If there are questions or comments regarding the ACSC operation, please feel free to contact me.

Thank you! Bill Hetrick Director, ACSC

## 2005 Grand Teton Conference Report

Year-end conference operational summary and outline for the board of directors meeting of the United States Collegiate Ski & Snowboard Association.

### Teams/Schools

	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

### Conference Organization

The Conference has a Conference Coordinator. He oversees all functions of the Conference.

### Race Schedule 2005

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

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. Individuals who won berths for Regional Championships were scored by World Cup Points.

All events were fully sanctioned by licensed USSA alpine officials. The Technical Delegate at each venue was assigned by the Intermountain and Northern Divisions of USSA.

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. Conference meetings over the phone sometimes replace meeting in person.

### Tentative Race Schedule 2006

Jan. 18-19	Snowbasin, UT	GS, GS	Weber State University
Jan. 24-26	Red Lodge, MT	GS, GS, SL	Rocky Mountain College
Feb. 3-5	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 McCall Idaho, hosted by the Northwest 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.

This year end report is respectfully submitted by

Jerry Wolf, Grand Teton Conference Coordinator.

## **2005 Nordic Summary**

### **Rocky Mountain Conference – USCSA**

#### Overview

The Nordic Portion of the Rocky Mountain Conference is currently comprised of 5 schools. This is an increase of 2 schools from last season. The schools that participated in the region this season are:

University of Wyoming  
United States Air Force Academy  
Colorado Mountain College  
Colorado State University  
Colorado School of Mines

During the 2005 Season RMC Nordic competed in four race weekends:

January 28 & 29 DU NCAA Race Winter Park, CO  
January 30 Steamboat Skiathlon Steamboat Springs, CO  
February 5 Leadville Sprint Race Leadville, CO  
February 6 Frisco Gold Rush Frisco, CO  
February 12 & 13 Cowboy Chase Laramie, Wy  
February 26 & 27 USAFA Invitational Winter Park, CO

These included two NCAA Division I races and 2 citizen races, leaving the rest of the races to be hosted by one of the RMC schools. The races consisted of 5 or 10km skate and 10 or 15km classic, 1 skiathlon, 1 sprint, 1 10km classic race, 2 15km skate races and 2 8.5km classic races. This large variety in races and levels of competition supported the large variety of ability levels within the region. The ability level of the racers in the RMC this season ranged from beginner skiers to USCSA national champions.

#### 2006 Prospects

RMC Nordic continues to grow, in both teams and number of athletes. It is hoped that this trend will continue. Despite it's small number of teams RMC Nordic is annually extremely competitive at USCSA Nationals bringing home many individual and team titles. RMC Nordic will continue to cater to the needs of all it's racers, both beginner and advanced by participating in NCAA division I races as well as citizen

races.

It is hoped that the fledgling teams started at Colorado School of Mines and Colorado State University will become more organized and continue to grow.

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## **2005 Summary** **Rocky Mountain Conference – USCSA**

### **Overview**

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

During the 2005 season, RMC staged four weekends of racing hosted by four different schools:

January 8-9	Beaver Creek	SI/SI	Colorado Mountain College
January 22-23	Winter Park	GS/GS	Denver University
January 29-30	Telluride	GS/GS	University of Colorado
February 5-6	Loveland Valley	SI/SI	Colorado School of Mines

Races for the 2005-2006 season have already been scheduled with the Rocky Mountain Division Competition Coordinator and will be held on the same corresponding weekends as in 2004-2005.

Additionally, the Western Regional Championships will be held in the Rocky Mountain Conference. Both GS and slalom races will be held on Mt. Werner, the Steamboat Springs resort mountain. The races will be set on Concentration, serviced by a high-speed quad. A training day will be available on February 23. M/W GS will be on February 24 and M/W Slalom will be on February 25. There will be some discussion about also hosting snowboard events as well.

### **Finances**

For the 2005 season, conference dues remained the same at \$300 per team, regardless of athlete numbers.

Two of the four weekends of racing, Winter Park and Loveland, were profitable. RMC returned a modest amount of the profits from both of these races to its general fund. Beaver Creek continues to cost much more than it makes, and the losses are made up out of the RMC account. The Telluride race lost money, however it was not a significant loss.

Raising race entry fees significantly to break even at the Beaver Creek race would put a greater burden on the athletes, and it is felt that the venue is still a very good one. RMC is still in a good financial situation as far as being able to produce a series of quality races next season. We will start the season with less funds than we started the 2004 season, however, this is normal as the Western Regionals adds to the general fund and our last Regionals was held three years ago. The

biggest drain, however, is a slight reduction of the number of participating athletes at each race. In 2004 RMC provided a total of 1185 race starts. In 2005, RMC started 1007 athletes. The overall loss of around 160 athletes (discounting comped athletes) meant that in 2005 RMC and its host schools lost approximately \$3500 relative to the 2004 season.

10/04/04	\$6673.40	<b>2004-2005 Season Beginning Balance</b>
05/23/05	<u>\$4497.03</u>	<b>2004-2005 Season Balance To Date</b>
	Difference	-\$2176.37 (end of fiscal year is October 1)
2005 Total Revenues		\$32,285.14
2005 Total Expenditures		\$27,788.11

### Race Results

All RMC races are sanctioned and scored by the USSA. In keeping with its philosophy of trying to provide a better product for its athletes, RMC continues to try and upgrade its race events.

We are in our third season of using a leader bib to spotlight our dominant race series athletes, and this continues to be a valued carrot. On the women's side, the bib changed hands twice, and the eventual series winner was Julie Ceznowski of University of Colorado. On the men's side, Tideman Smid, also of University of Colorado won the men's series.

RMC provided prizes in the way of product to the top three men and top three women valued at over \$600, such as poles, goggles, gloves, etc.

Colorado School of Mines organized and partially funded, and RMC funded the bulk of an all-athlete and coaches pizza dinner, held in Silverthorne, Colorado. Approximately 150 athletes attended. A complimentary t-shirt was also given to all athletes and coaches.

RMC also comped a number of race entries for its lowest point holders. Criteria was the top two men and top two women on the points list for each race. A few athletes declined being comped as their entries were also paid for by their respective school.

RMC was able to include a few rabbits at its Winter Park race, drawn from the local ski team, and it also recruited three men and four women NCAA athletes from the University of Colorado to race one day of the Loveland slaloms.

RMC keeps track of the penalties applied at all four GS and slaloms which is a good indicator of the quality of the top athletes in the series. As shown, the penalties continue to drop, which puts the conference in a very good position to draw other athletes from around the division who are looking for high-level competition.

#### Men's GS Avg. Penalty (4 races) Men's SI Avg. Penalty (4 races)

2002	72.06		
2002	83.03		
2003	68.74	2003	68.50
2004	60.21	2004	52.19
2005	55.09	2005	50.49

On the positive side, while race penalties continued to decline, unfortunately, our numbers dropped bit as well. During 2005 we had approximately 12 to 15 fewer males and we had approximately 5 to 15 fewer females as well, depending on the race. The conference is drawing just about the minimum number of athletes to its races to be able to produce races that are fiscally sound, however, recruiting of more skiers into all of the programs within RMC will continue to be of major focus.

#### Women's GS Avg. Penalty (4 races) Women's SI Avg. Penalty (4 races)

2002	102.33	2002	97.87
2003	83.30	2003	98.12
2004	85.39	2004	88.66

2005

71.99

2005

64.31

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Competitors</b>	<b>Penalty</b>
1/8	BC Men	72	52.31
	BC Women	42	76.87
1/9	BC Men	69	59.53
	BC Women	43	68.70
1/22	WP Men	91	51.30
	WP Women	52	72.02
1/23	WP Men	88	50.97
	WP Women	52	64.70
1/29	Telluride Men	67	56.56
	Telluride Women	44	76.83
1/30	Telluride Men	67	61.54
	Telluride Women	42	74.40
2/5	Loveland Men	85	51.90
	Loveland Women	49	68.03
2/6	Loveland Men	91	38.20
	Loveland Women	53	43.62

#### **2006 Prospects**

RMC is financially stable and its race venues are well established. The colleges within the conference continue to attract athletes wanting to compete, however, some programs are much better organized than others. One of the problems that will need to be addressed is that each program needs to take a hard look at their projected seasonal costs and try and come up with a better dues structure, after accounting for contributions from their athletic or sports club departments.

RMC is looking to host a successful Western Regional Championships in 2006 and from those races RMC is confident it will be advancing a number of teams to USCSA Nationals.

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