

Minutes of the NHSA Board of Directors
January 17, 2023
NHSA Tilton Office

Meeting Called to order at 7:00 pm by President T. Willand.

Roll Call

Officers Present:	President	Tom Willand	
	Vice President	Brian Labrie	
	Treasurer	Steve Kiander	
	Secretary	Jayne McCulloch	
	Past President	Chris Runnals	
Directors Present:	Belknap Director	Nelly Roache	
	Assistant	Melissa Binette	
	Carroll Director	Tom Taylor	
	Assistant	Sean Pinard	
	Cheshire Director	Kim Bergeron	
	Assistant	Dan Shelley	
	Coos Director	Charlie Kurtz	
	Assistant	Gail Hanson	
	Grafton Director	Evelyn Ferrell	
	Assistant	Deb Davis	
	Hillsborough Director	Susan Phillips	
	Assistant	Marc Phillips	
	Merrimack Director	Bruce Blye	Absent
	Assistant	Scott Palmer	
	Rockingham Director	Mark Pepper	
	Assistant	Gary Scott	
	Strafford Director	Russ Neal	
	Assistant	Nick Bickford	
	Sullivan Director	Terry Callum	
	Assistant	Ian Gates	Absent
	Business Director	Vacant	
Office Staff Present:	Executive Director	Dan Gould	
	Administrative Assistant	Janis Riley	

Salute to the Flag

Agenda: K. Bergeron motioned to approve the agenda as printed, C. Runnals seconded. Motion carries.

Introduction of Guests: Chris Rennie - Chief, Bureau of Trails, Alexis Rudko - Deputy Chief, Bureau of Trails, Roger Wright - Past President, Nigel Croxon -Alexandria Ledge Climbers, Jeremy Evans - Keene Sno-Riders.

President Comments: T. Willand welcomed D. Davis to the board. Discussion regarding S. Kiander, Treasurer resignation. N. Croxon has agreed to take the Treasurer position. Steve will remain tonight, and we will swear Nigel in after the close of the meeting. Tom thanked C. Rennie for the meeting with BOT. Tom explained that we are working on a heat issue in the office. Tom stated that as a result of the Advisory Board meeting, we are actively working on requirements to add an employee to work on grants, projects, etc.

Secretary Report: Motion by C. Runnals to approve the Secretary's Report as written, seconded by R Neal. Motion carries.

Treasurer Report: Motion by C. Runnals to approve the Treasurer's Report as printed, seconded by S. Phillips. Motion carries.

Executive Director's D. Gould discussed recent meetings held with BOT & F&G and thanked Steve for all he has done as the Treasurer.

State Agencies: Bureau of Trails, C. Rennie discussed: Grant in Aid - Proposed rule changes and winter grooming update, Recreation Trails Program, Legislative items, and Landowner Lists.

Committee Reports:

Ride-In: J. McCulloch read an update from C. Gamache.

Advisory Board: R. Wright reported that a meeting was held 1/16/23. Discussed questions regarding delegates, alternates, and deadlines. Need to clarify the process for delegates. Establishing deadline dates so the office can confirm requirements are met.

C. Runnals made a motion to adopt changes to the Rules of Business as presented by R. Wright. Seconded by K. Bergeron.

T. Callum made a motion to table the change for more than 60 days from this meeting. Seconded by R. Neal. Motion carries.

R. Neal made a motion that we amend the Amendments portion of the Rules of Business as presented by R. Wright. Seconded by K. Bergeron.

T. Callum made a motion to table the change for more than 60 days from this meeting. Seconded by C. Runnals. Discussion held. Motion carries.

Annual Meeting: J. McCulloch reported meeting scheduled for May 21, 2023, at the Barn on Pemi, Plymouth, NH. Communication on Award Nominations will be going out shortly. A new award is being created for Trail Worker of the Year.

Assessment: No Meeting

Club Support: No Meeting

Exploring of Trails: No Meeting

Finance: S. Kiander discussed his resignation from the position of Treasurer. S. Kiander welcomed N. Croxon to the position of Treasurer.

Grass Drags: E. Ferrell reporting that things are wrapping up. The final numbers will be reported at the next meeting.

Insurance: No Meeting

Legislative: B. Labrie – Discussed concerns with proposed on-line registration launch date of Sept. 2025. The Board would like to have new registrations included when rolled out in Sept 2025.

Marketing: No Report

Membership: B Labrie – Discussion on Super Raffle, 15 tickets left. Discussion on online ticket sales. K Bergeron will research. Discussion regarding late ticket returns from club.

S. Kiander made a motion that we document the rules regarding deadlines for future raffles. Any Club that does not meet the ticket deadline will forfeit their right to their portion of bonus for tickets sold by the office. Seconded by R. Neal. Discussion held. Dan recommended that we communicate this as a reward to the clubs that return their tickets on time. Motion carries.

Nominations: K. Bergeron - Nominations are due by 2/21/23. Please let him know if anyone is interested in running for an elected position.

Scholarship: No Meeting

Trails: T. Callum – Discussed meeting with Map Gears and issues with the software. Update became available today.

Confidentiality Policy: No Meeting

Break: 8:18pm – 8:33pm

Director's Reports:

Belknap: No Meeting

Carroll: No Meeting

Cheshire: No Meeting

Coos: Meeting held. Clubs are grooming, northern part of county is riding.

Grafton: Christmas meeting was held in person. Half the clubs attended. Clubs are working on storm damage. Higher elevations have some snow.

Hillsborough: No Meeting in December. Meeting being held last week January.

Merrimack: Meeting held. Discussion on background of Bow Pioneer SC issues.

Rockingham: No Meeting

Strafford: Meeting last Thursday. No Riding.

Sullivan: No Meeting

Correspondence: None

Old Business: None

New Business: T. Callum made a motion to allow R. Wright and N. Croxon to remain as guests as we go into executive session. Seconded by S. Palmer. Motion carries. D. Gould left the room.

C. Runnals made a motion to go into executive session. Seconded by E. Ferrell. Motion carries.

R. Neal made a motion to go out of Executive Session. Seconded by K. Bergeron. Motion carries.

T. Callum made a motion that we move \$6,000.00 from the Sno-Traveler account and reappropriate to Employee Benefits account. Seconded by K. Bergeron. Motion carries.

R. Neal made a motion that we offer NHSA employees HRA, FSA, and 401(k) with a 3% contribution match. Seconded by K. Bergeron. Motion carries.

Adjourn: Motion made by T. Callum to adjourn at 9:10pm. Seconded by C. Runnals. Motion carries.

After close of meeting, Nigel Croxon, was sworn into the Office of Treasurer by President, Tom Willand.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jayne McCulloch, Secretary