

Sep 28th 2025 CR2 Board meeting minutes

8:00am call meeting to order

Roll call:

Guests:

Patrick Mitch – Divisional Manger

CR2 Board: Kenan Jorgensen

Matt Fenning

Patrick Floyd

Alex Nelson

John Manderfield

Joe May

Kevin Everson

Larry Heathman

Nick Bennet -

Reed Hethman

Members: Will Norse, Bob Larson, Tom Groskopf, Wendy Mass, Robert Perry, Madalyn Trapp

Review and approve agenda

- Motion to approve: Matt 2nd by Alex

Approve last meetings minutes

- Motion to approve: John 2nd by Larry

Comment by John: Thank you to Jayce Jonhson for time being athlete rep.

- Welcome Reed Heathman as athlete rep

Nomination and election of Board Members

- Three board members for reelection: Larry, Alex, Patrick
- Running unopposed

Motion to approve election: John 2nd Matt

- Athlete reps: 2 positions available.
 - Requirements: no age limit, but would be better aimed toward an older athlete.
 - One name has been brought forward: Madalyn Trapp

Motion to accept: Matt 2nd Alex none opposed.

- Actively seeking 1 more.

US Ski and Snowboard report. Patrick Mich, Central Division Manager

- Regional projects- Summit county is extremely busy this winter
- U16 regional camp is currently TBD
 - freeski/tech camp one for men one for women
 - Ripley GS camp
 - Speed project at Snowriver
 - Question about keeping camp/race to just 3 days
 - The development of the athlete and inclusive of the U14's the 4 day camp allows for a better progression.
 - CR1 is hosting a Colorado Camp
 - May become a central championship camp
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 - LaCross SL camp being looked into potentially in Feb.
 - Spring freeski camp being looked into End of April early May
 - Championships dates on website

- U16 is at Steamboat
- U14 Vail
- Showdown at Winter Park
- U16 Championships future
 - Quotas have been asked to increase by central for 2027 forward, no impact for 25-26 season.
 - Proposal to have the RC champs as an Open race
 - Would still have to qualify at Hosking
 - Select and Elite tier qualifying
 - Would be more inclusive
 - This would merge the U16 and showdown.
 - Main discussion points are related to how to keep more kids in sport and staying in sport.
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Central Division report. Don Stellin Central Chair

- CASC
 - Budget Approval
 - Money set aside for L300 certification
 - Must pass L300
 - A L300 assessment should be central
 - Money set aside for FIS TD certification.
 - B Net 60 rolls will be purchased
 - To be located between Lutsen and Snowriver
 - Working group lead by Sean Nolan related to membership and race participation
 - RC qualifier selection #'s for Male / Female ratio will be determined by participation in the Hosking

- Executive committee looking into CR's bylaw and adherence to.
- Proposals are in the CASC folder labeled as pass and failed.
 - Refund policy is now defined
 - Central Awards: coach, volunteer, etc
 - All Stars will now be funded by Central
 - Forerunning at MidAms - Team Central should have priority for forerunning with a 7 day notice. ROC will still have the final decision.
 - Term limit proposal tabled for redress.
 - Will reassess at Spring meeting
 - Spring meeting April 25th 2026 Chicago
 - Chip Knight commented on projects
 - Darleen commented on FIS calenders
 - FIS calendar on Website
 - Central has \$2,500 set aside for U16 and under development project with in the CR's
 - Should be sanctioned event some version of membership req.
 - Registration should be done through ski reg but no charge event
 - Pace fund for spring series has some rollover from 24-25 fund.
 - AO update Oct 28 & Nov 13

Committee Reports

A) 2025/26 competition calendar, Patrick Floyd

- Two reintroduced venues Sunburst and Marquette.
- Schedule on CR2 website
 - Glover is still designed at a Hosking prep event

B) CR2 Coaches Chair report, Larry Heathman

- New appointment of Larry
- Wants to work on improving coach communication within the CR.
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C) Central working group reports, Patrick Mich

- Member retention, how events run, where to improve.

1) U14 and Younger

2) U16 and Older

3) FIS

- This will continue into the season to aid in bridging the communication.
- These working groups are for can be open for coaches
- Central Leadership Meeting in Pentwater
 - Great discussion related to athlete development
 - Future locations will move around the central region

Treasurers Report. Alex Nelson

- Wrapping up PY numbers, setting up the ground work to be able to budget in future years.
- Question on coach payment for projects
 - Issue was related to collection of Participants information

A) Timing Equipment Report, Matt Fennig

- New equipment last season corrected most of the connectivity issues
- Laptop age is being looked into
- Window10 upgrade to Window11 needed.
 - Recommend purchasing 2 new laptop
 - Windows pro would be needed.

Motion for Matt to research and purchase necessary laptops up to \$5,000 John 2nd Nick

- Starlink upgrade in prior seasons.
- New hand timers 2 new last season.
- Dongles - current \$1,200 year for licences
 - A new one is needed to have three complete system.
- Timing Equipment spend for past two years
 - Approx \$35,000 in spend.

B) Trailer, trailer equipment, John Manderfield

- Approx \$32,000 in gates, BNet, and other items outside of timing equipment and Radios.
- Trailer replacement budget est \$10K
 - May need to increase
- Short gates will still be in play for the foreseeable future.

Old Business

A) Volunteering, John Manderfield

- AO update Oct 28 & Nov 13
- Nationally difficulty filling the volunteer positions
 - Best when education started with the home club/coaches.

- Should we assign clubs to fill certain positions for specific races?

Motion to research further by Matt and bring solutions: John no second

- Lunches for Volunteers- Coffee and Hot Chocolate?
- Should we have volunteer education at an event?
- Discussion
- Creating a volunteer station for all events: testing done at FIS events for 25-26 season.

B) Website, Patrick Floyd

- Its uptodate, simple and relevant. Open to suggestions on areas of improvements.
- 25-26 Calendar is posted the earliest it's ever been.
- Discussion on Calendar of events

C) Glover/ Hoskings

- Adjustments to the planning and execution have been favorable
 - Staggering the dates for U14's and U16's to allow multiple ages on same venue
 - Looking at adding diner event
- 208 have members have an AO license
 - How do we engage/ communicate better?

New Business

A) growing CR2 membership

- Season kick off event, Brule, free race.

- NMU team will be there
- Sunburst - 1st time membership no charge race.
 - US Ski and Snowboard Non-scored licence for \$100.
 - Does not compute points always 990
 - Would like a non-scored component.

B) AO Clinics

- Last three years in Milwaukee
 - This year at Granite Peak later start to accommodate drive
 - Nov 8th
 - CR1 Nov 1&2nd at Buck Hill
 - Thema coming in
 - CR3 NW MI Nov 1&2nd
 - Mt Holly Nov
 - AO updates - now yearly update
 - Zoom - Central
 - Oct 28th Tuesday
 - Nov 13th Thursday
 - A national update will be provided TBD
 - TD update Zoom TBD
 - TD - We are in need in CR2 Pat S, Ron L, John M
 - Spring AO update confirmed in CR1.
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- L100 in the Milwaukee area, in search of a host hill.
 - Jacob Olsen and Wendy Mass are the Coach Developers.
 - Alpine Official is a 10 question test.

Comments from Membership

- Does US Ski and Snowboard address the base membership issues?
 - How do we address the pipeline participation growth issues?
- The athletes have difficulty seeing value in USSA over high school racing.
 - How do we make the events more attractive?
 - Brule opener is working
 - Central Finale is working

Youth development project committee reestablished

Thank Current board members, and install new board members

Spring meeting April 26, 2026

Motion to adjourn matt 2nd alex