

HIGH PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Sept 26, 2017 8:00 PM

Conference call participants:

Megan Carter (chair), Pauline Nadlersmith, Lorne Warkentine, Tamara Bachinsky,
Richard Huybers

Regrets: Betsy Lockhart, Karin McSherry

Note: Parent rep and athlete rep positions currently empty

Athlete rep position to be voted on at HP camp this coming weekend Sept 30-Oct 1

Parent rep: interest to be solicited by email (Megan) and sent to parents of all currently registered HP athletes. Must be parent of an athlete who has been part of the HP program for at least 1 season. Interested applicants to be reviewed at next HP meeting in October and selection to be agreed upon by committee.

1) Minutes of April 2017 reviewed and accepted. It was noted that minutes need to be updated on the CCSAM website. It was also noted that our "Terms of Reference" are hard to find on the CCSAM website because they are buried in with HP meeting minutes.

2) General agreement that "Provincial coach and athlete development program" better reflects the intention of the HP program. Change to be made in document.

3) 2017-2018 HP supported trips:
Updates to be made to HP document

Westerns - Red Deer AB

- Travel dates Jan 17-21, competition dates Jan 19-21
- Accommodation booked (Pauline) - 12 beds plus couches
- Event is intended as a test event for potential CWG cross country athletes and support staff
- Expression of interest for Westerns should also include an expression of intent to try for a spot on the CWG cross country ski team
- Team size up to 10, up to 4 support staff
- At least 4 of each gender
- Athlete age to correspond with CWG eligible birth years
- Selection races: 2017 Turte Mountain provincials (skate and classic results in category); Dec 17 MB Cup Windsor Park Grand Prix (SK)
- All other descriptors for selection as per existing HP document

Easterns - Ottawa / Nakkertok

- Travel dates Jan 31-Feb 5; competition dates Feb 2-4
- Accommodation booked (Pauline) - 16 beds plus couches
- Team size up to 14 athletes, up to 5 support

- Selection races: 2017 Turte Mountain provincials (skate and classic results in category); Dec 17 MB Cup Windsor Park Grand Prix (SK); classic portion of MB Cup Kenora skiathlon Jan 13 2018
- All other descriptors for selection as per existing HP document

Nationals - Thunder Bay ON

- Travel dates March 7-18, competition dates March 10-17 2018
- Accommodation arranged (Pauline) - 3 houses close to Lappe
- Team size up to 12 athletes, up to 3 support
- Selection races as per Easterns and Westerns
- Add statement to indicate midgets will not be eligible
- All other descriptors for selection as per existing HP document

General selection discussion: should we run a Prov Dev Program Time Trial in December or over the holidays? This would help with team selection. Decision made not to have TT as athletes wishing to travel to Westerns would be those with a good portfolio of results from past season.

4) Expression of interest for support staff to travel to HP trips - we need selection of CWG support staff as this will impact which trips would be preferred for this season. Follow up with Karin to find out timing of CWG selection.

5) Early snow camp - support received to have camp at Silverstar this year. Pauline able to travel. Steve Wintoniw considering.

- Dates will be Dec 2 or 3 - Dec 10 ; team will fly
- Team selection to be based on past results; out of province results spreadsheet of percent behind winner (only those previously selected to HP trips are eligible)
- Up to 8 athletes and 2 support

6) December on snow camp - intended for all in Provincial Development Program

- Windsor Park Saturday December 16, as athletes in for Grand Prix race that weekend
- Consider breaking into groups and possibly using another location for younger athletes. Ihor Barwinsky's name came up as a possible organizer / host to approach for young group (L2T age).

7) Canada Games - discussion around whether there should be guidance / policy / recommendations for athletes who might wish to consider racing on both the cross country and biathlon teams.

HPC feels that we should offer a "strong recommendation" that athletes should not race in both weeks of competition at the Canada Winter Games. Wording to be determined. Bring this forward to next meeting.

Items to bring forward to next meeting:

- Review and selection of applicants for parent rep position on HP committee

- Define : what does it mean to travel with Manitoba team to out of province events? For athletes out of province who decide to apply for a spot on a travelling team.
- Provincial team clothing? Toques / buffs ?

Next meeting to be end of October. Megan to send Doodle Poll.

Adjourned 9:30 PM