MINUTES OF FLORIDA FEDERATION COUNCIL MEETING December 7, 2013

Present: Gordon West, President, Curtis Rabe VP, Jeff Clark Treasurer, Michele Seal Secretary, and Dennis Longo, Stan Switzer, Jody Seal Council.

Gordon called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m. Secretary's report: Minutes of July 2013 were previously emailed to all council members. Dennis moved to accept the July minutes as presented, Jeff seconded, minutes approved. Treasurer's report was presented by Jeff Clark, motion by Jody to accept, seconded by Dennis, Treasurer's report accepted.

Old business/tabled from July: Discussion about steps the Federation would like to follow if improprieties are found in tournaments. The first issue is chief and appointed officials being the same as in the sanction application, and these officials remaining on site during the active tournament. Fifty percent of appointed officials must be US citizens. Permission to change chief/appointed officials can be obtained from our EVP as late as the night before the event. If something comes up during the tournament, the EVP needs to be called immediately. If the Chief Officials aren't the same as sanction, the sanction could be revoked, resulting in zero scores for all skiers. Suggestion: send a letter to all tournament hosts advising as to the above, describing ramifications. Bob Archambeau will be included in this letter as our current Southern Region EVP.

Next was discussion about bid from the Ski Club of the Palm Beaches for the 2014 Florida State Tournament and their request to host this as a 3 round tournament, with the first round being the award/placement round. Discussion followed that the location of banquet needs to be indoors. Bid will be accepted as is with exception of the Banquet -- Banquet must be indoors. Dennis will get back to the council after providing this information to the Ski Club.

A short discussion followed about online registration. The filters must be set to match the entry requirements. We will retain our Florida State Entry Form for sites that do not use online requirements.

New business: Our Florida State tent went well at the Southern Regionals with the exception of location. We will do this again in 2014 but would like a new location for the tent.

Reminder regarding skier / judging conflicts. IWSF has no conflict of interest rule. Florida sites and officials do the best they can to avoid these situations but sometimes it can't be helped because of lack of officials.

Motion to adjourn by Jody, seconded by Michele, meeting adjourned at 10:56 a.m.

Respectully submitted, Michele Seal, Secretary

Action item: Letter to tournament hosts about appointed/chief officials