

MINUTES OF FLORIDA FEDERATION  
BOARD MEETING  
December 5, 2015

President Curtis Rabe called the meeting to order at 8:15 am. Present at the meeting were: Curtis Rabe, President, Jeff Clark, Treasurer, Michele Seal, Secretary, Dennis Longo and Monica Seal, Council. Absent: Stan Switzer. (Office of Vice-President is currently vacant.)

President's Report: Curtis Rabe is the new President following Gordon West's resignation in the fall. Curtis is getting up to speed on the President's duties.

Secretary's Report: Minutes of the July 2015 meeting were previously distributed by email. Minutes were discussed with two amendments. Dennis made a motion to accept the December minutes as modified, seconded by Jeff Clark. The July 2015 Minutes are approved as modified.

Treasurer's Report: Jeff Clark distributed the Treasurer's report. Michele Seal moved to accept the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Dennis Longo. The Report is approved.

Old Business: To help make the Florida State Tournament more cost-effective, Jeff Clark made a motion that the Federation pay all event medals (1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> juniors, 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> all other divisions) and overall medals (1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> juniors and 1<sup>st</sup> place for all other divisions) for the Florida State Tournament, with a contract with the Trophy Shop. If the LOC wants special overall awards they will pay for them. If the LOC doesn't find a benefactor for the cost of juniors to attend the banquet, the funds will come from the Jr. Development fund. Dennis Longo seconded the Motion. The Motion was discussed and vote followed; the Motion carries. Discussion then followed regarding the meeting at the State tournament, with a request from President Rabe for the LOC to consider moving the meeting during the State Tournament to lunchtime on Saturday.

Discussion then followed regarding the July Motion and the Florida State Tournament: whether an entry fee should be paid by all skiers, and whether the bid form should be more specific (i.e., hotel rooms, etc.). It was agreed that the Motion just passed in the paragraph above will help alleviate monetary issues and that the bid form currently has sufficient space for this type of information to be included.

Discussion then followed about the pros and cons of changing the requirement of membership in the Florida Federation for local tournaments to a head tax. The downside would be the loss of contact info for membership and email newsletters. After a discussion of projected use of Federation funds, Monica Seal made a motion to increase Florida Federation dues in 2017 to \$10 for an individual and \$20 per family. Dennis Longo seconded the Motion; Motion carries.

New Business: Only one bid was received for the 2016 Florida State Tournament, from the Ski Club of the Palm Beaches. One amendment to the bid was made, and the bid was approved as amended.

No further business coming before the meeting, the meeting was adjourned at 10:20 a.m. The tournament selection for the 2016 year followed at 11:00 a.m..

Respectfully submitted,

Michele Seal, Secretary