

Alaska Biathlon Anchorage: Committee Meeting: January 11, 2010

Present: Teresa Neeno, Mike Milholin, Chuck Gilbert, Laurel Dow, Diane Ramey, Mike Burns, Roberta Wonders, Chris Tomsen, Roberta Wonder, Joel Hard, Laurel Dow and James Dougherty

Called to order: 6:30 pm

1. **Approval of minutes of December meeting. Motion to approve as written, seconded, all in favor.**

2. **SOP.** No discussion.

3. **KPG, MOA and NSAA.** James D, a board member of KPG, reported. KPG takes the position that KPG will pay \$130K towards a new bldg at the range, and that AK Biathlon will need to provide the balance, \$125K. This would be approx. 10% of the cost of the new range. KPG is requiring each organization that benefits from the Kincaid Project to provide some of the funding for its part of the project. This is to cement buy-in and commitment of each organization, and to raise sufficient funds. AK Biathlon will need to fund raise to acquire the \$125K. There may also be discussion of within AK Biathlon about resetting its priorities for the range.

KPG's intends to install a paved trail connection from the range to the multi-use trail in 2010; and in 2011 a paved trail around the range OR a paved penalty loop. The top KPG priority is installing snow-making along trails and will do as much as funding allows.

KPG intends to create an endowment for maintenance of all the Kincaid projects. It's thought that this would be some \$500K.

MOA is looking for a written policy on maintenance of the range. It's assumed that MOA is the owner of the range. The policy needs to spell out who is responsible for doing the various types of maintenance, which entity would pay for the expenses, and what authorizations are needed to make expenses. There needs to be redundancy in knowledge about maintenance of the range (so that more than one person is capable), and it needs to be in writing. James prepared a draft table of contents for such a policy and will distribute it to the Committee for comment and fleshing out. Diane Moxness came into the meeting for a short time to say that NSAA and MOA are working on an agreement, and that biathlon is a component of that agreement—to date there is just an outline of the biathlon component.

4. **Safety Clinic.** Chris T. is conducting a rifle safety clinic and biathlon clinic this coming Wednesday. Diane R. is putting together a binder on the clinics, to include who attended, what facilities were used, and other info.

5. **Rachael Steer clinic.** 11 attendees. \$30/person. This should be considered an AK Biathlon event. Rachael will be paid \$330. The may be another clinic on January 21.

6. **Range Openings.** Diane will put out another Blast and ask who wants to be on a list to receive notice of any new entries on the Range Opening calendar.

7. **Budget.** Joel is getting bids from printers on costs for printing new target strips—a row of 3 black targets on top of another 3 black targets (this size can be done locally and is much less expensive than a single strip of 5 black targets). He will get more bids and present all bids to the Committee.

8. **Races.** The next race is Feb 14. Valentine day. It will be organized by Tom G, Roberta W and Ed and Janice Todd.

9. **Ammunition order.** Mike M. reported that ammo is back ordered and he can't get a price yet.

10. **Other topics**

Locks. Roberta suggested that a combination lock (instead of a keyed lock) be put on the conex, and that an extra set of keys be made and kept in the conex. **Motion to approve, seconded, all in favor.**

Rifle inventory. An inventory was done of the rifles in the safe. Joel H. provided a complete inventory of rifles, including those awarded to individuals. As rifles are returned in the spring, they will be checked against the inventory to make sure all rifles are accounted for and the info is accurate.

Award rifles for AWG. Teresa N. recommended that rifles be awarded to each person going to the AWG, if they want one and don't already have one. Laurel Dow will call several individuals with award rifles who have not been actively participating, and will ask that these rifles be returned if the individuals are not going to start participating. Teresa suggested that one Committee member be responsible for the rifle award program, including communication with those with rifles to encourage them to be active in biathlon.

Costs of biathlon. Laurel D. recommended that a list of all the costs of biathlon be prepared to give to those interested in starting, so they know the costs up front. Chris T. prepared a list of the costs.

Sale of old targets. Mike B. said that Rick McClure has arranged for the sale of 3 of the old target to the Tanana school for \$350/target and **made a motion that the Committee approve the sale, seconded, all in favor.**

Motion to adjourn. Seconded. All in favor. Adjourned at 8:20 PM.