

GARDEN STATE SKI CLUB, INC.
REGULAR MEMEBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES
3/10/2020

The meeting was called to order at 8:15.

Dennis asked if anyone was here for the first time. We welcomed Mary Force as anew member.

Membership Contribution – We are selling 50/50 tonight, please see Cesar Sottile. There is \$14.00 in the random pool.

- **SKI VP REPORT – Dennis for Steve Corris**
 - Bus Trips – We are looking to do a carpool to Belleayre on Wednesday March 18th. There are not enough people for a bus. Let Dennis know if you want to carpool.
 - Lift Tickets - Anne Benagh – Lift tickets – We have discount tickets, she will not be able to get them for this weekend tickets. We have Belleayre, Bromley, Gore, Killington, Pico, Stratton, Sugarbush, Whiteface and Wyndham. There are no tickets that anyone has turned in. Ton LeVine said he had Pico tickets to turn in so if you want those you can contact him directly. Dennis stated if you have any tickets you are going to return please do so the council is ready to start taking them back.
 - Steamboat Springs Ski Trip - Adrienne Geffen's the good news is it snowed. There were 10 inches of snow as they got there. Adrienne said she will run another trip next year.
 - Park City Ski Trip - Dennis' Ski Council trip to Park City and Deer Valley – There was 6 inches of snow while they were there. Ann Pollack, one of the council members had a skiing accident and broke her hip. She is still in Park City in rehab. She had an operation last Tuesday. Marty Greenberg tore his rotator cuff while on the trip. He will have an operation on April 2nd to have it repaired. Otherwise it was a good trip and a lot of fun. We raced also, against other clubs from our Council and in the women's division Kat Visich came in 2nd overall and got a bronze Nastar medal. In the men's division Mark Schreur was in first place overall and got a gold Nastar medal. Dariusz Nasiek, came in 3rd overall and he got a silver medal. Dennis got a bronze medal and Henry Gibson also got a bronze medal. There were about 35 racers and it was a lot of fun. Three members who were previous members went on this trip and they took our applications and signed back up with the club.
- **LODGE VP REPORT – Ray Owens**
 - To make reservations or get a share, contact Laurie Owens at gsschouserreservations@gmail.com.
 - The lodge committee has settled on a spring work weekend. It will be June 5, 6 and 7th. Let Laurie know if you are interested in going and she will make a room reservation for you.
- **SOCIAL VP REPORT – Dennis Young for Betty Jean Downing**
 - Mix B 4 Six – Dennis said there will be a Mix B4 Six next Tuesday because this room is reserved for St. Patty's Day at the Crow's Nest on March 17th, they will have bagpipers and all you can eat cabbage and corned beef for \$20.00. Bruce asked them what time and they said the business people will start getting there around noon time. Someone said if you don't get there early the parking spaces are taken. It would be good to park at Stop and Shop if you feel you can walk over.
 - Whiskey Tasting at Claremont Distillery on March 31st. Chris Furia will take sign-ups for BJ. It is \$15.00 per person for some food. There will be tastings of different Whiskeys.
 - Game Night will be next Tuesday, February 25th. We have a new game Rummy cube. We had a lot of fun at the last game night.
 - Sky Top Trip – Lou Mortaro spoke about the annual SkyTop trip which will be the weekend before Labor Day, and he has the venue locked in. He has a flyer on the table, and he will take deposits on reservations tonight. If you don't have the \$100.00 tonight just come up and sign up and put the \$100.00 in the mail.
 - Golf Lessons - Lou Mortaro has a flyer on the table for gold lessons. They will June 3rd at the Route 23. They have the cover over the stalls and lights for when it is dark. Sal Vitale will be the instructor. The price is \$25.00 per lesson for 4 lessons on Wednesdays.

- BBQ – The BBQ dates are June 16, July 14 and August 18.
- Golf Outing - Lou Mortaro is taking sign-ups for our first golf outing. It will be at the Black Bear Gold and Country Club. The flyers are on the welcoming table. This will be on June 23rd, there are 32 spots available. It is \$67.00 which includes golf, hamburgers and hot dogs and a soda and it includes \$10.00 towards prizes.
- Summer Beach Party, 4th Annual – It will be on Saturday August 8th. You can sign up with BJ.
- Football – West Point Game – Chris Furia spoke. She purchased 20 tickets in advance for the Army vs Air Force, on November 7th, she has already sold 13 tickets.
- TREASURER REPORT (issues/new items) – Gary Ehrich
 - Gary reported that we have \$80,406 and \$2,869 in deposits with a net of about \$77,537.
 - Please when you write out checks to the club don't get to flowery when you write words, because if the words go on top of the number the bank has trouble reading the numbers.
- EXECUTIVE SECRETARY – Tina Romano
 - Sign in/Quorum check – 40 people were in attendance – this is a quorum.
 - Membership cards and directories are available, see Mike Rinaldi.
 - Please check the meeting minutes from the previous meetings under the GSSC Website under the Members Only tab so you can vote when you come to the next meeting and minutes give a lot of information in case you missed anything.
- JUNIOR DELEGATE REPORT (issues/new items) – Lily Merom
 - We have hats and visors. Hats \$25.00 and visors \$20.00.
- SENIOR DELEGATE – Ron LeVine – not in attendance.
- SUNSHINE & RAINY DAYS – Maria Rivara –
 - Nothing came in.
- PRESIDENTS REPORT –
 - Later on tonight we are going to make a motion to amend the Constitution to remove the terms limits for President under New Business. During that motion we have some rules that we should follow. Any member can speak no more than twice on the motion. They must wait for everyone else to speak before they speak a second time. The person introducing the motion speaks first. They must be recognized by the Chair before speaking. Members cannot interrupt anyone who is speaking, no cross talking. Discussion is limited to the merits of the motion. Members must be courteous and not verbally abusive to others. We are looking for people to run for the Board for the 2020-2021 seasons.
 - We have openings for all the positions on the Board. All positions on the Board are open except for Lodge. You only have to be a member of the club for 6 months. You only must be a member for one year to be the President. If you are interested see Dennis.
 - We had a Board Meeting on February 26th, the Board discussed the tentative dates for the BBQ's and the West Point tickets.
 - Dennis also assigned Basil and Micki to work on the club's brochure because it is outdated and we are going to try to bring it up to date and make it more attractive.
- Unfinished Business – There is none.

- New Business –
 - Dennis said he recognized Ray Owens. Ray Owens made a motion to amend Article 6, Officers And Delegates, Section 3 of the Constitution. The purpose of this amendment to the Constitution is to remove the 4-year term limit for President. It currently reads Section 3 – All officers and delegates are elected for the immediately following term and can be re-elected to the same position. The President may only continue in that same office for four (4) consecutive terms. If a President serves three or four consecutive one-year terms, or any part thereof, he or she shall not be permitted to serve as President for two consecutive years immediately thereafter. All may subsequently hold some other elected office. The proposed new wording for the Amendment will be – All officers and delegates are elected for the immediately following term and can be re-elected to the same position. All may subsequently hold some other elected office. Dennis asked if there was a second to the motion. Jim Fitzpatrick seconded it. Dennis asked if there was any discussion. Ray said that we discussed this at the Board meeting and he said he felt this way for a while since we couldn't get anyone to run for President so far that in order to protect the club and not have a President and possibly failing as a club because of that it was prudent to remove the term limit from the President. If he wants to run then let him run, if he doesn't then somebody else is going to have to step up and do it. Dennis again asked if there was any more discussion on this. Mike Rinaldi said yes. Mike said he has a question – he wouldn't come to the microphone - _____ something on the board (couldn't hear him), Dennis stated you can only speak to the motion. Per Dennis we cannot vote on this tonight, we must postpone it because this is a Constitutional change our By-Laws state we must wait until the following meeting. We cannot vote until April 7th. This motion is postponed until the next meeting.
- Minutes –
 - The minutes are on the table from February 18th which was our last quorum meeting. Dennis asked are there any additions or corrections. Dennis asked for a motion to accept. A motion was made. Dennis asked all those in favor please say aye, a majority said aye. The minutes were accepted.
- Announcements – No announcements.
- Member contribution – 50/50 – we have \$40.00 collected to the winning ticket holder and \$10.00 to be added to the random number pool.
 - Nancy Carrie won \$20.00 for the 50/50.
 - The winning number for the random number drawing for was #159; Maria Mateo, was not in attendance.
 - There is now \$24.00 in the pool.
- The meeting was adjourned at 8:38 PM.