

**Minutes**  
**Blackhawk Ski Club Annual Meeting**  
**Monday, April 6, 2003**

Present were 26 out of a possible 47 Board and Active class members; Don Becker, Peter Berbee, Jim Bible, Steve Cohen, Stan DuRose, Hans Pigorsch, Pat Hackworthy, Susan Haynes, Mike Houston, Jim Mahaffey, Paul Manley, Ken Matusek, Walter Meanwell, Dave Norby, Dan Osborne, Ron Poff, Deb Peterson, Jeff Prey, Pat Remington, Hugh Schmidt, C.C. Sheldon, Dave Sinberg, Janna Stewart, Todd Tiefenthaler, Mark Torresani, and Don Wylie.

**Jim Bible, Hans Pigorsch, Deb Peterson, and Todd Tiefenthaler** were unanimously elected for 3 year terms on the Board.

**Officer Reports:**

*President Pat Remington* – “This was an incredibly successful year.”

*Treasurers Stan DuRose and Dan Osborne* – Dan has computerized our budget and accounting system. A preliminary report for the year was distributed. It shows a gross income of \$98,000 including \$15,000 of donations. The largest contribution was the membership fees from 220 Alpine skiing families. Expenses were close to predictions with a few anomalies. The First Flight expenses were larger than budget because of the need for liability insurance. However, enrollment also was high in this program. \$10,000 budgeted for contract services was only partially used. Snow cat Maintenance also was high ~ \$8,000. The final accounting will be reported later.

There also is a need to develop and archive of Blackhawk documents which will probably be electronic.

**Committee Updates:**

*Programs by Dave Norby* – First Flight enrolled ~100 kids of which 90 finished. Our lead instructor Cathy Trueba will not return next year because of family commitments. However, many of the instructors she recruited will return and her structure will be continued. One of the student instructors will replace her. Paul Flahavan will continue as 3<sup>rd</sup> flight leader. An additional 3<sup>rd</sup> flight leader for Saturday mornings is needed.

*Alpine Racing and Ski Jumping* both reported success in tournament results including kids on the Junior Olympic and FIS (Federation of International Skiing) teams.

*Cross Country* lacked snow. A discussion was held of how our snow making can be expanded for X-C skiing on the sides of Alpine slopes and in other areas where we have easy access to the pipe line. A Biathlon course also was discussed. The rifles used would be air guns.

*Facilities by Ron Poff* – the Piston Bully encountered an unexpected breakdown. It demonstrated the need for a backup snow cat. The older cats also were down at the same time. Stan and Peter Berbee made rapid repairs to restore service. There was an attempt to make usage logs and a grooming schedule. But our highly varied schedule interrupted these plans frequently.

A fourth compressor was purchased but not installed because of late delivery. It will be used in the fall. This will increase our snow making capacity by 30%. Stan is looking for 2 additional omecron snow guns to add to the 6 we own.

Jim Mahaffey installed new lights on hill #6 and in the Piston Bully barn.

A list of work projects for this summer was distributed by Stan. The jumping parents will have weekly work parties on Tuesday and Thursday nights. Leaders are needed for the items on Stan's list.

*Administration by Stan DuRose* – Blackhawk was given a 501(C)3 tax exempt status by the federal IRS (thanks to Rollie Williamson and Stan). Stan has filed a request for a tax exemption classification with the Town of Middleton.

The loan for the pipeline was paid.

Our membership list has 52 new families for next year on the waiting list.

*Social Affairs from Deb Peterson* – Three very large events were held: the open house, the steak fry, and the carnival. All were heavily attended.

Web site gets 2000-3000 inquires per month and is our source for current applications and schedules.

**Club Priorities** were discussed and the following were suggested:

Use club teens for First Flight instructors.

Make some alpine terrain features with dirt to reduce snowmaking.

Encourage volunteers for the projects on Stan's list.

Clean up the trash piles.

Keep vehicles out of soft spots to prevent ruts and torn turf.

Raise the #1 tow in haul pulley so that the rope won't endanger bystanders.

Lengthen hill #1.