

Blackhawk Board Meeting 13 September, 2004

Scheduled events in the near future.

4 October - next Board meeting

10 October - Blackhawk Bash/Open house

Disc Golf - Dave - A proposal for disc golf was handed out. Primary purpose is to raise money for youth sports besides providing an additional outdoor sport for Blackhawk. In discussion Board members asked if youth participation is planned since developing youth sports is one of the objectives of Blackhawk. The cost of developing the course will come from donations of the course designers. The layout of the course was not included. The Board recommended that the Master Planning Committee take responsibility for inspecting the layout and making sure it doesn't conflict with other activities and this committee include a member from mountain biking to minimize conflicts.

MOTION (passed) The Board approves having the Master Planning Committee with a mountain biking representative explore the possibility of making a disc golf course.

First and 2nd Flight and Outreach - F.F. is nearly filled. Lindsey is recruiting instructors. There is a possibility of adding family ski lessons with the intention of teaching parents to both improve their skiing and work with their children. This could provide an option for families that don't get their children into FF. Don will organize this activity.

Facilities - Don - Two ARECO Supersnow machines have been purchase and delivered. They have a 2 year factory warrantee. They also have automatic features in which they will adjust their water flow for weather conditions. Jim Mahaffey, Dan Osborne, and Don will install electric outlets on hills 1, 2 and the top of 5. Electricity will come from step up transformers on our existing service and will not need any changes from Alliant Energy (our provider). We will not be using these machines at the bottom of 5/6 and the jump out runs this year because electrical outlets in these areas will require a change of our supply panel which will exceed our budget. The pump will not be changed. We may increase its output pressure slightly. The ARECO machines will be used with our existing omicron guns. The pump has surplus capacity for this addition.

A tractor has been purchased from Kubota. (Delivered on 24 Sept. after the meeting). It has a bucket, grading blade, and mower. All are on hydraulic lifts (very easy to use) and it has additional front end hydraulic outlets for equipment we could rent such as a post hole digger or brush mover. The tractor also has 4 wheel drive and functioning brakes (yea). It can be used for grading the road and for mowing all hills including 5. The Oliver was trade for it while the Massey is still available (with very weak brakes). The committee had 3 bids. The others were from John Deer and

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Case. These bids were higher and had less attachments. The cost is about \$32,500 which will be paid over three years without interest.

MOTION (passed) to purchase the Kubota tractor with bucket, blade, mower, and front hydraulic outlets.

Plans for moving the new dirt fill - Dave will ask Wade to spread the dirt fill.

Grounds Keeping - Some trees have been marked and the Board needs to notify members that tree cutting needs to be approved by the Master Planning committee of the Board. A plan for X-C trail changes/improvements is requested.

Membership - The open house/bash is proceeding as planned. Hoffman's are organizing this event. An ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING is planned for Wednesday, 29 September. Help is needed. Also items for the silent auction also are needed. In the ski swap, a 10% commission will be charged.

87 memberships have joined since August. We have a waiting list of 90 families.

There was a question about programs operated by coaches and who is allowed to participate.

MOTION (passed) - All programs operated on Blackhawk property need to involve only members and be approved by the Board of Directors on an annual basis.

Website - Han's is building a larger web site. Plans were submitted.

Racing - Tod - Tow rope poles on 5 will be replaced. There was a question about the tow brake and can it be adjusted to stop faster?

Hours of skiing operation - Pat Hackworthy - Cards will be made and mailed to the members. There was a question about including X-C hours and none were decided.