

## **WCCA Board Meeting Feb 9 2026 @ 7pm – WCCA Office**

### **Attendees (13 total)**

#### In person:

*Dylan Decker – President*  
*Mark Pike – Councillor at Large*  
*Robbie Hickey – Councillor at Large*  
*Andrew May – Vice President (joined late)*  
*Ian Colbourne – Executive Director*  
*Jordan Dawe Ryan – Project Coordinator*  
*Samantha Delos Santos - Treasurer*  
*Greg Delos Santos – Councillor at Large*  
*Tommy Humphrey – Councillor at Large*

#### Online:

*Nigel Pike – Councillor at Large*  
*Sarah Hayden – Councillor at Large*  
*Darroch Whitaker – Secretary*  
*Yvan Roy-Sutherland – Councillor at Large*

#### Absent:

*Kyle Power – Councillor at Large*  
*Dennis Colbourne – Councillor at Large*  
*Chad Parsons – Councillor at Large*

### **1. Review minutes from previous meeting (January 12)**

No objections / corrections

Snowdog sale accounted for in bookkeeping

PTBA funding being sorted out: Ian, Jordan covered by IPGS, Yvan and Joey can come out of current project money (total cost will be ~\$16,000; 25% from IPGS, 50% from ACOA; 25% from WCCA). Robbie proposed approving a \$5000 budget to cover our share of participation, motion was approved.

Andrew asked if we can find a way to get Bryden down, can we billet etc.?

### **2. Subcommittees Updates (Overview of Subcommittees formed)**

Subcommittee membership is as follows:

LRE	Fundraising	Winter	Trails	Events	Finance
Kyle Power	Dylan Decker	Kyle Power	Kyle Power	Kyle Power	Sam Delos
Sam Delos	Tommy H	Mark Pike	Mark Pike	Greg Delos	Dylan Decker
Greg Delos		Steve Rowsell	Yvan	Nigel Pike	
Dennis C		Dylan Decker	Dennis C	Dennis C	
Yvan			Sarah Hayden	Dylan Decker	
Sarah Hayden			Andrew May	Andrew May	
Dylan Decker			Dylan Decker		
Janice Ryan (7096329311)					
Tommy H					

Events: Proposal for us to host a run-bike even this summer (early July), maybe work with Steep Ultra (Katherine Cochrane etc.). Nigel will start to coordinate for events committee.

Finance: Ian and Sam looked at 2024 financial audit, tested 26 expense items, few discrepancies. Preceded bookkeeping software so 2025 should be smoother, getting started on that now.

LRE: No update (date has been publicised)

Fundraising: Ian: For 50/50 if we go with an online provider like Rafflebox; they take 10% (includes credit card fees) and we get 40%, seems like the superior option because of online sales promotion, early bird bonuses etc. Post for 3 months is recommendation, longer postings lose interest. Maybe start in March and then draw early summer.

Some discussion of other fundraising ideas. Black baseball hat this year with small change to logo, maybe a gray or beige option too, and maybe include a toque or beanie option? Voltfuse has lowest price. Last year we sold ~80 hats, black was most popular, some orange ones left. Some discussion of colours and need to mix it up, decision was to split half and half with 2 colours.

May also be other merchandise options, baseball hats will be used for the hat / trail pass combo. Manpreet finishes her work term next week and we'll have a Merchandise report to review then.

Trails: See discussion of trail proposal (below)

Winter Ops: Snowmobile is going to Rugged Edge for repairs (track slides, light...) but generally seems good. Not much grooming done yet, best to wait until snow settles down a bit.

Governance: (Need for this new subcommittee identified during meeting , see item 7 below)

### 3. Regional Updates

Stephenville (Nigel): Have been grooming a couple trails for fatbikes, not many fatbikers but snowshoers love it.

There is a group with a plan for a trail at Pinetree, big project, 7 km multi-use trail. Would be easier than existing expert trails. Challenge will be land use, lots of small holdings that may make a long trail difficult. Idea may be to submit that and Nigel's Stephenville idea as a single ACOA proposal. It will be challenging to do a project of this scale for their small club, raising

their share of funding etc.. Darroch offered to share Ridgeline funding proposal (done) and meet with them if they'd like. It's an ambitious project and they may need to take the long view to getting it done.

Rocky Harbour (Darroch):

- Donations in memory of Bob Hicks: WCCA received \$4878.34 through Stripe, and another \$2000 was donated to the Gros Morne Cooperating association. Sue's wish was that half of the total \$6878.34 go to WCCA to support the Ridgeline Trail, and the other half would go to the GMCA to support a kids skills park in Norris Point (\$3439.17 each; construction of skills park starting this summer). Consequently board supported Ian issuing a check for \$1439.17 to GMCA to make 50/50 split of donations, as per Sue's request.
- DW attended Rocky Harbour town council meeting to update them about Ridgeline trail project and possibility of a shared trail maintenance approach with WCCA, GMCA, and Norris Point. They later communicated that they would support trails (no more detail) so door is open to further conversation.
- Steve Wheeler (GMCA) asked about the possibility of a TTT event with WCCA, possibly to replace the road ride, possibly also including a memorial ride for Bob Hicks starting / leaving from Gros Morne Adventures and a build day as has been held in the past couple years. Darroch, Sarah and Robbie will continue the conversation with Steve Wheeler and Pete Ollerhead (organises the TTT road ride).

**4. Project Updates: Trail Proposal**

Trail committee ranked potential trail projects, have a prioritized list if it's well funded, moderate, austere (safe bet), etc. Scored as follows, lowest scores are most preferred:

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I
1	Trails	TR Green	TR Blue	TR Black	Riverview	D Rock	East Ridge		
2	Sarah H	3	4	5	6	1	2		
3	Dennis C	1	3	4	6	2	5		
4	Kyle Power	3	4	5	6	2	1		
5	Dylan D	1	2	3	4	6	5		
6	Andrew May	1	2	3	4	6	5		
7	Mark Pike	1	2	5	3	4	6		
8	Yvan	3	4	5	6	2	1		
9		13	21	30	35	23	25		
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11	Org. Needs	Storage Contain	Data Collection	Master Plan	Trailhead Resea	ATV	Mini-Excavator		
12	Sarah H	2	5	7	6	3	4	1	
13	Dennis C	1	3	7	6	2	5	4	
14	Kyle Power	1	5	6	4	2	7	3	
15	Dylan D	1	5	4	3	2	7	6	
16	Andrew May	1							
17	Mark Pike	1	2	7	4	3	5	6	Clubhouse
18	Yvan	3	5	6	7	2	4	1	
19		10	25	37	30	14	32	21	
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The draft proposal has been submitted to the board for comments. Current proposal is safe bet (TR Green and TR Blue), can add D Rock if more money may be available... To go beyond this

we may need to consider another crown lands LTO to diversify our building options. Current budget is similar to the one that was quickly approved by ACOA last year. Discussion about whether or not to add D Rock in (ask big and pare down, rather than limit ourselves out of the gate. Robbie suggested calling ACOA and asking their sense of how big we should go with our project. If they're supportive of pushing it closer to \$250K then we would add D Rock. Ian agreed to take this approach.

## **5. Purchasing Policy**

Final changes were to formalize process to request permission to purchases (now by email), and that purchases should be made by staff unless absolutely necessary.

Tommy moved to accept the purchasing policy, Dylan seconded. Purchasing policy is now approved.

## **6. Executive Director and Project Coordinator updates**

Jordan: Dru is helping coordinate sponsorship from Toyota Atlantic, looks promising.

Zach Keating (IG @theAlmostKid) is keen to help develop promotional video for trails, has lots of experience with Kodiak trailworks etc.. Working on a contract now, looking to shoot in June and at LRE. Has worked with Charles a lot (Wentworth etc.).

Ian: In 2 weeks Ian and Jordan going to HNL conference

Working on getting more sponsors (Sarah, Tommy and Greg have other interested sponsors so Jordan will share sponsorship kit)

Manpreet (work study student) finishing up merchandising proposal next week, will try and set up a chance for people to see her work. Should contain some good ideas

## **7. Other Business**

Dylan introduced idea of a Board member onboarding document & Code of Conduct (Conflict of interest, etc.).

Question was asked whether we should have a governance subcommittee to help develop guidance & policy like this? Robbie was supportive. Motion was proposed, Robbie seconded, motion was passed. Jordan will share information about the subcommittee with board so that members can decide whether they want to serve on this subcommittee.

**Next meeting will be on March 9, 2026, DW will share invitation**