



To the members of:

- Aerials Sub-Committee

For information to:

- Freestyle Sport Committee
- U.S. Freestyle Division Chairman
- U.S. Freestyle Programs
- Freestyle Coaches
- Interested Parties

### **Provisional Meeting Minutes - Aerials Sub-Committee**

Dear Friends,

Please find attached the “**Provisional Minutes**” for the meeting of the Aerials Sub-Committee at Congress that took place on **5/13/2025**.

With kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'JB' or 'J. Boyczuk', written in a cursive style.

Jack Boyczuk  
*Freestyle Aerials Subcommittee Chair*



## **U.S. SKI AND SNOWBOARD ASSOCIATION**

**ASC Meeting Minutes – for the meeting of the - Aerial Sub-Committee (ASC) at Congress Tuesday, May 13th, 2025- 10am-12pm MT, Westgate Resort Park City / Zoom**

### **ASC Meeting Minutes 5/13/2025**

#### **Meeting Purpose**

Review aerial skiing development progress and plan upcoming events/initiatives to continue growth

#### [Provisional Meeting Agenda](#)

#### **Attendance**

Jack Boyczuk - Chairman - Present

\*Bill McNice - Officials Subcommittee Representative - Present

\*Tim Massucco- Division Rep - East - Present

\*Mark Depeters - Club Representative - Buffalo Ski Center - Absent

\*Dave Von Derau - Club Representative - Buffalo Ski Center - Absent

\*Pat Canzano - Club Representative - Bristol Mountain - Present

\*Johnny Kroetz - Club Representative - Bristol Mountain - Present

\* Kelly Hacker - Club Representative - Holimont - Absent

\*Zac Amidan- Athlete Rep, Aerials - Present

\*Nik Seemann - Athlete Rep, Aerials - Absent

\*Dani Loeb - Athlete Rep, Aerials - Absent

\*Troy Murphy - Athlete Rep, BOD Athlete Rep - Present

\*Konrad Rotermund- At Large - Present

Matt Gnoza - Staff - Freestyle Sports Director- non-voting - Present

Maddie Hogg - Staff - Freestyle Development Manager- non-voting - Present

\*Voting

\*Voting = 8 voting members in attendance equals a quorum

In Person: Jack Boyczuk, Matt Gnoza, Mike Page, Maddie Hogg, Chris Hatch Haslock, Mike Papke, Malorie Irvin, Nat Schirman, David Dreitlein, Tony Bushi, Brent Grygiel

Virtual: Konrad Rotermund, Jimeel Ferris, Tim Massucco, Emerson Smith, Bill McNice, Zac Amidan, Kurchner, Zoey Young, Troy Murphy, John Gandolfo, Helena Carpenter, Lauren Benhoff, Johnny Kroetz, Larry Titus, Kris Pepe, Thomas Schaefer, Sam Tarrant, Jason, Pat Canzano



## [ASC Presentation](#)

### **Key Takeaways**

- Significant increase in aerial participation: FFSP competitors up from 125 to 234, FIS points list athletes up from 22 to 39
- Focus on hosting more scored events to get athletes on points lists while maintaining some non-scored events for beginners
- Discussions around optimizing event scheduling, locations, and formats to maximize participation and development opportunities
- Need to balance growing the sport at grassroots level while providing pathways for high-level progression (e.g. doubles)

### **Topics**

#### **Aerial Participation Growth**

- FFSP competitors increased from 125 in 2024 to 234 in 2025
- FIS points list athletes grew from 22 to 39, with goal of 55 for next season
- Scored events increased from 5 to 10, while non-scored decreased from 5 to 2
- Goal to have 3-5 non-scored and 10-15 scored events next season
- 221 athletes on Eastern non-scored list out of 490 total mogul skiers (~45% participation)

#### **Event Planning and Scheduling**

- Discussions around optimizing Noram schedule and locations (e.g. Bristol, UOP, Lake Placid)
- Potential to host "Olympic celebration" event at Bristol Jan 31-Feb 1
- UOP may host selection event in mid-December (15-18th) for World Cup spots
- Considering making summer UOP event the official "Nationals" to increase prize money
- Stratton offered to potentially build double kicker for a Noram finals event

#### **Development Pathways**

- Need to balance grassroots participation (spreads/neutrals) with high-level progression (doubles)
- Limited facilities for training/competing doubles narrows pipeline quickly



- Discussed ways to make events more accessible/appealing (e.g. combining with moguls)
- Importance of exposing mogul skiers to aerials for overall freestyle development

### **Judging and Scoring Considerations**

- Debate around scoring spreads/neutrals vs only flipping tricks
- Non-scored events still tracked on Eastern points list
- Exploring options for remote judging to reduce costs
- Using 2-3 judges for most development level events currently

### **Next Steps**

- Work with Lake Placid to finalize potential Noram dates/plans
- Connect with Bristol about hosting Olympic-themed event Jan 31-Feb 1
- Confirm UOP selection event details for mid-December
- Explore making summer UOP event the official Nationals
- Continue efforts to host more aerial events in conjunction with mogul competitions
- Look into ways to reduce event costs (e.g. remote judging, shared resources)

### **Action Items**

- Reach out to potential athlete reps for ASC committee. Target former athletes within 10yr window.
- Work w/ comp services dept to explore alternatives to head tax for aerial events (e.g. flat fee for sportive areas list)