## DRAFT- for approval on May 17, 2023

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MEMBERS OF CENTRAL CONNECTICUT SNOW SNAKES, INC.

A meeting of the Members of Central Connecticut Snow Snakes, Inc. (the "Corporation" or the "Club") was held on Wednesday, April 19, 2023 at Shea's Restaurant in Manchester.

The meeting was called to order by President, Ray Irvine, at 7:03 pm after the social hour. There were approximately 20 members, including Board members, in attendance.

- 1. Minutes. The minutes of the March 15, 2023 meeting were unanimously accepted.
- 2. Industry news. It was announced that Alyeska Resort in Alaska had recently become affiliated with IKON.
- 3. Membership. Sam Rubin reported there are 353 members. Last year there were 430 members.
- 4. Treasurer report. Treasurer, Laura Edwards, presented a revise version of the draft budget for 2023–2024 with a small format change. She reported that while the 2022-2023 budget had a projected \$5000 loss, the Club will earn a small profit because of the Vermont pass program and because the Open House earned a small profit. The 2023-2024 budget projects a profit due to a larger profit from the Vermont VIP program next year and the Open House making a larger profit.
- 5. BOD update. Ray reported there has been interest in the vacant at-large position, but no confirmation, yet.
- 6. CSC update. Marie provided some more details for the picnic on June 24 in New Britain. Tickets are \$20 and include a \$6 food voucher. The Club will subsidize the first 20 tickets by \$10.00. After June 13, the price of the tickets is \$25.00. Kids 12 and under are free, but there is no voucher.

Marie also provided details about the Snow Ball in November. The Club is handling decorations. Over-night rooms can be reserved for  $$159 + \tan$ , etc. after August 1. A hospitality room is \$300 and the Meriden club has inquired of the Club sharing / splitting a room with it. The band for the evening is "Juice Box". There will be an online auction before the evening and raffles during the evening.

The CSC is also seeking a vice president for the upcoming year.

The CSC is recommending effective websites to promote membership as all clubs in CT have had decreased membership as a result of Epic and IKON. Other mentioned promotions include participation in the pre-Manchester Road Race expo and summer car shows.

- 7. VIP Tickets. The Club will look to order at least six passes next year as it awaits announcements for next year.
- 8. 2022-23 trips. All completed trips were reported as successes with the Tremblant trip occurring the upcoming weekend.
- 9. 2023-24 trips. It was announced the Board had elected to do fly-to trips in 2024 to Crested Butte, CO and Andora, Spain. Crested Butte will run January 28 to February 4. The cost, exclusive of ski tickets, is projected to be less than \$2000. It is an Epic mountain. Andora is projected for late February, likely flying out of Boston on SwissAir (ski bags may be free) for approximately \$2275, exclusive of ski tickets. The Board is awaiting proposals from Winterpark (IKON) and Whitefish (no passes).

There are also New England drive-to trips planned for Sugarloaf (IKON) and Sunday River (IKON) and two others.

A third trip is planned for Tremblant March 17 to 23 (IKON). It will be ski-in, ski-out with a one bedroom suite costing \$187 and a two bedroom suite costing \$207 per night.

The Board is trying to arrange an affordable bus trip to appeal and benefit the membership. None was run this past year due to cost and low interest.

- 10. In conjunction with the discussion on trips Patti Christiana gave a summary of next year's Epic and IKON passes costs. She announced that anyone purchasing through the Club would receive a discount on the passes.
- 11. New / old business. It was announced the Club's first family members, Lois and Pete Krause, had arrived at their new home in Colorado and had hit the slopes. Note: They were each CSC reps of the Club so those vacancies will need to be filled.

The next meeting, the annual membership meeting (including voting on the budget), was announced to be at Shea's on Wednesday, May 17, 2023 at 7:00 pm, social hour starting at 6:00.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Respectively submitted,

William Galske

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