

Minutes of the NHSA Board of Directors  
December 19, 2023  
NHSA Office, Tilton

Meeting Called to order at 7:00 pm by President T. Willand.

Roll Call

Officers:

President	Tom Willand
Vice President	Brian Labrie
Treasurer	Nigel Croxon
Secretary	Jayne McCulloch
Past President	Chris Runnals

Directors:

Belknap Director	Nelly Roache	
Assistant	Melissa Binette	
Carroll Director	Tom Taylor	
Assistant	Sean Pinard	
Cheshire Director	Jeremy Evans	
Assistant	Dan Shelley	
Coos Director	Charlie Kurtz	Absent
Assistant	Gail Hanson	Absent
Grafton Director	Evelyn Ferrell	
Assistant	Deb Davis	
Hillsborough Director	Susan Phillips	
Assistant	Marc Phillips	
Merrimack Director	Bruce Blye	
Assistant	Scott Palmer	
Rockingham Director	Mark Pepper	Absent
Assistant	Gary Scott	
Strafford Director	Russ Neal	
Assistant	Nick Bickford	
Sullivan Director	Terry Callum	
Assistant	Vacant	
Business Director	Kim Bergeron	

Office Staff Present:

Executive Director	Dan Gould
Administrative Assistant	Trudy Rahn

Salute to the Flag

Agenda:

C. Runnals motioned to approve the agenda as printed, B. Blye seconded.  
Motion carries.

Introduction of Guests: Russ Davis - Past President, Advisory Board Chair  
Lucy Ford – Past President, Ride-In Chair  
Roger Wright – Past President, Grass Drags Co-Chair  
Chris Ellis – Easterseals, Camp Director  
Captain Michael Eastman – Fish & Game

President Comments: T. Willand – Tom thanked Trudy for arranging dinner, and Brian for picking it up. Wants to run through the agenda quickly and have some social time to celebrate. Tom thanked Kim for bringing in a new air purifier. Brian and Nigel described the new mural that has been installed in the office and discussed the background. Tom discussed bringing in guest speakers over the next couple of meetings, like insurance rep, bookkeeper, lobbyist, etc. Dan and Tom are still offering to come to county meetings if they are invited.

Secretary Report: Motion by C. Runnels to approve the Secretary’s Report as written, seconded by R. Neal. Motion carries.

Treasurer Report: Motion by R. Neal to approve the Treasurer’s Report as printed, seconded by C. Runnels. Motion carries.

Executive Director’s Report: D. Gould – Nothing new to report.

Fish & Game: Capt. Eastman – Reported on registrations, with a year over year comparison. Open snowmobile registration weekend will March 1-3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024. Four new trainees are in Field Training.

Easterseals: C. Ellis – Chris discussed the recent fire at GSR Lodge. Fire was contained to one side of the building. That building controls the power for the site. Will be working on rebuilding. No damage to Easterseals Lodge building.

Committee Reports:

Ride-In: L. Ford – Next committee meetings will be Jan 8 and 22. County baskets can be dropped off at the office up to Jan 22. Please bring an itemized list of contents of each county basket. There will be three comedians this year, tickets will be on sale starting in January. The theme is Super Heroes. There will be a door decorating contest and a costume contest.

Advisory Board: R. Davis – Last meeting was a discussion around Lifetime Memberships. Discussions to continue.

Annual Meeting: J. McCulloch – Meeting will be May 19, 2024, at Mill Falls on the Lake. The NHSA website will be updated soon with meeting information. Requested Directors to remind clubs to use the online nomination forms for Annual Awards.

Assessment: T. Taylor/J. McCulloch – Forming a new committee to find Dan’s replacement. The committee will be Roger, Ev, Jeremy, Tom Taylor. Executive Committee. Brian will chair the committee. Will need to establish criteria for job description.

Club Support/  
Super Raffle: S. Phillips/M. Phillips – Two books of Super Raffle tickets remain for sale in the office. Money and tickets need to be returned to the office by December 30. Motion by T. Callum to extend the due date to January 2, 2024. Seconded by E. Ferrel. Brief discussion. All in favor.

Confidentiality  
Policy: K. Bergeron – Has reviewed the draft policy with several different entities. Will review with the executive committee and prepare to present it to the board.

Finance: N. Croxon - No Meeting

Grass Drags: E. Ferrell – Club checks were mailed out last week. Financials will be ready to report at the next meeting.

Insurance: R. Neal – No Meeting

Legislative: T. Callum – Would like to invite Adam to the next meeting to discuss the year going forward.

Marketing: D. Gould – New mural installed in the office.

Membership: B. Labrie – No Meeting

Nominations: K. Bergeron – Evelyn Ferrel will be running for Vice President. Anyone else wanting to run should reach out to Kim for nominations. Need the slate of officers published in February.

Scholarship: R. Neal – No meeting

Trails: T. Callum – Hold report till next month.

#### Directors Reports:

Belknap: N. Roach – No Meeting

Carroll: T. Taylor – Asked about the status of memberships. Dan responded that membership is down, could be due to the weather.

Cheshire: Jeremy - No Meeting

Coos: Absent

Grafton: E. Ferrell – next Wednesday will be the County Christmas Meeting. 6:00pm at Baker River Club House, with a Yankee Swap.

Hillsborough: S. Phillips - No Meeting in December. Sue thanked Russ for attending her County Meeting.

Merrimack: B. Blye – Held a Christmas meeting in Epsom. Well attended.

Rockingham: G. Scott – Meeting was held at Sno-Slickers club. Held discussion on how to involve younger members

Strafford: R. Davis – No Meeting

Sullivan: T. Callum – No Meeting

Correspondence: Thank you card received from Scrub Oaks

Old Business: Contract with OnX has been completed. Need to put a plan together for distribution to clubs.

New Business: None

Adjourn: Motion made by T. Callum to adjourn at 7:38pm. Seconded by C. Runnals. All in favor. Motion carries.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jayne McCulloch, Secretary