

**BOARD ACTION**  
**February 18, 2020**

The Board voted unanimously in support of David Moulton's motion to deny Libby Hayden's appeal of the part of the Executive Director's decision that denied Anne McColgan permission to participate at the state meet as a member of the Bend High Varsity Relay team.

**Board Members:**

Ryan Rooper, President  
Eric Martin, Vice-President  
John Collins Nordic Representative  
Dave Moulton, Alpine Representative  
Mike McManus, Alpine Representative

**History**

On February 4, 2020, the Executive Director (Dave Munson), denied Anne McColgan's hardship eligibility request to participate as a scoring member of the Bend High team at the Nordic State Championships.

On February 16, 2020, Libby Hayden, Bend High Nordic Coach filed an appeal for the part of the Executive Director's decision that denied Anne McColgan's eligibility to race at the state meet as a member of the Bend High Varsity relay team.

On February 17, 2020, at 7:00 pm, the Board held a conference call meeting to address Libby Hayden's appeal. All board members were in attendance, plus the Executive Director.

**Findings**

The Board reviewed Libby Hayden's submissions, and the applicable email exchanges from the Executive Director to Anne and her coaches.

**Conclusion**

The Board determined that the evidence does not support that there were circumstances beyond the reasonable control of the racer which prevented her from meeting the required minimum participation standard.

The Board determined that it is an inconsistent application of the ruling and inappropriate to still allow her participation as a varsity skier in the relay. That participation would place her in equal status with other relay competitors that did meet the requirements. In turn, this could obviously impact the varsity relay scoring which cannot be allowed.

The Board supports the Executive Director's decision to allow Anne to participate as a provisional skier. This status allows her to participate in the JV relay races.

Libby Hayden was notified of her appeal rights if she is dissatisfied with this Board decision.