

Nordic Steering Committee Special Meeting  
August 18, 2020  
Zoom Meeting

**Present:**

Eric Martin, Division President  
Pete Reinhardt, Division Vice-President  
Gene Hyde, Division Commissioner  
Sarah Swaney, Southern League Rep and Division Treasurer  
Kelly Crowther, Northern League Rep  
John Collins, Nordic Liaison for OISRA Board  
JD Downing, Summit Head Coach  
Jinny Martin, Division Secretary

**Absent:**

Mt. Hood League Rep

A quorum was present. Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

Main purpose of the meeting was to decide what to charge for Nordic Division participation fees and when to collect them.

**Nordic 2020-21 Participation Fees**

No change to the \$13 participation fees that were approved in the Spring, and same collection process for participation fees as previous years. OISRA collects Division participation fees, along with the OISRA participation fees, at the time students register online. OISRA treasurer will send a check to the Nordic treasurer for the Nordic Division fees.

Discussion:

- Don't know if Executive Director will be able to get any amount of refund from insurance payment if season is cancelled after premium is paid.
- Nordic Division will decide later about possible refund for portions of the Division fees If the season is cancelled after the registration date (November 15, 2020).
- Noted that Board has also agreed to decide later about possible refund for portions of the OISRA fees if season is cancelled after the registration date.
- Nora has a process for refunding any portion of the paid fees using the Active program.
- Covid-19 considerations may dictate not having a state meet awards banquet, which would reduce expenses and balance budget – details for state meet and process for giving out awards will be decided later.

**Dates decided at the August 13th OISRA Board of Directors Meeting:**

**September 1, 2020:** OISRA Coaches' Registration opens.  
**November 16, 2020:** OISRA Students' Registration opens.  
(Students can start non-mandatory ski training after registering.)  
**December 28, 2020:** Mandatory Training begins.  
([OSAA sports season 2](#) begins.)  
**January 9, 2020:** First competition can be held.

## **Discussions:**

### **Coaches' Registration**

- Coaches are expected to pay for their registration fees.
- Coaches have the option of using a scholarship code during registration and not paying when registering. Their team can cover their cost later with a check.
- A Covid-19 course will be required for all coaches.
- No refund for coaches' registration, as cost of training courses will have been paid.

### **Students' Registration**

- The reason students cannot start practicing until after they have registered is because OISRA insurance is not in place. Note: students also must have a physical prior to training. *[Post meeting information: OSAA has published [Return to Sports and Exercise Guidelines](#) that address new considerations for physical exams of students who have a history of Covid-19 or currently have symptoms suggestive of Covid-19 . OISRA Board will need to incorporate this information when they write their own guidelines prior to the beginning of ski season.]*
- Suggestion to have first practice a few days after registration date so that more students have had time to register on line.
- Because of OSAA's definition of "[Season 1](#)," which lasts until December 27<sup>th</sup>, all coaches in all sports may have training plans for students who participate in their sport. A multi-sport athlete may need to juggle training among more than one sport during this time.

### **Late fees**

- Board has not yet set a date for late fees.

### **50% Rule for qualifying to go to state**

- Because of making adjustments for the Covid-19 pandemic, the Leagues may have fewer qualifying races, but the 50% rule will be maintained. If 4 qualifying races are held, racer is required to participate in 2; if 3 qualifying races, must participate in 2.
- Committee will decide on number of League races later.

### **Transportation Issues with Covid-19**

- All agreed that transportation will be the biggest challenge during the pandemic.
- All agreed to create a new guideline for transportation during the pandemic that places all responsibility for transportation in the hands of the family.
- Specific guideline will be written later.

**ACTION!** Jinny Martin will email Governor Brown's August 11<sup>th</sup> Reopening Guidelines for K-12 School Sports to all committee members

<https://sharedsystems.dhsoha.state.or.us/DHSForms/Served/le2351k.pdf>

NOTE: The OISRA website has a COVID-19 Information section that maintains links to the decisions and guidelines made by the OISRA Board and Alpine and Nordic Divisions. <https://oisra.org/home/oisra-information-regarding-coronavirus-covid-19.html>

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted by

Jinny Martin, Nordic Division Secretary