

## CROSS COUNTRY SPORTS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

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USSA Congress 2013  
 Park City Marriott  
 1895 Sidewinder Drive, Park City, UT

Saturday, May 18, 2013, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Chair: Jon Engen

1. Roll Call

Roll call was taken. In attendance: Jon Engen, Ketchum, Joey Caterinichio, Bryan Fish, Rick Kapala, Matt Pauli, Mike Elliott, Peter Leonard, Yuriy Gusev, Janice Sibilia, David Knoop, August Teague, James Southam

2. Chairman's Introduction & comments

Chairman made brief introductory remarks.

3. Additions to the Agenda

No additions

4. Reports and Proposals from Officials' Subcommittee (Officials Chair)

- 1) Officials FIS TD Seminar will be October of 2013 in Canmore, ALB. This will be a joint seminar with Canada.
- 2) TDs to clean up the competition guide and work with USSA

5. Reports and Proposals from Coaches' Subcommittee (Coaches Chair)

- 1) New Nomenclature for comp guide using the U system and moving away from the J system.

Old Category	New Category	Age (as of Dec 31)	Year of Birth in Season				
			2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Master	Master	30 & Over	< 1983	<1984	<1985	<1986	<1987
Senior	Senior	Under 30	1984-93	1985-94	1986-95	1987-96	1988-97
OJ	U20	19	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
		18	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
J1	U18	17	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
		16	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
J2	U16	15	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002

Old Category	New Category	Age (as of Dec 31)	Year of Birth in Season				
			2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
		14	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
J3	U14	13	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
		12	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
J4	U12	11	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
		10	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
J5	U10	9	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
		8	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
J6	U8	7	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
		6	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
J7	U6	5	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
		4	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013

Motion to approve. Motion passes unanimously.

6. Confirmation of Cross Country Sport Committee membership, 2013

Name	Affiliation	Term expiration May of:
• Chair: Jon Engen, Ketchum, ID		2014 (term limit up in 2014)
• Joey Caterinichio	(Programs)	by employment
• Bryan Fish, Park City, UT	(Development)	by employment
• Rick Kapala, Ketchum, ID	(IMD)	2014
• Matt Pauli, Anchorage, AK	(Officials)	2015
• Mike Elliott, Durango, CO	(Mountain)	2015
• Peter Leonard, Fairbanks, AK	(Alaska)	2014
• Yuriy Gusev, Madison, WI	(Central)	2015
• Janice Sibilila, Hopewell Jnct, NY	(East) (coaches)	2015
• Dave Stewart	(At Large)	2015
• David Knoop, Park City, UT	(At-large)	2015
• August Teague, Reno, NV	(pacific)	2015
• Morgan Smyth	(Athlete)	2015
• Andrew Johnson, Burlington, VT	(Athlete)	2014
• James Southam, Anchorage, AK	(Athlete)	2014

**Addition of a National Championship to the SuperTour Finals Schedule.  
SuperTour/Finals Race a US National Championship Relay.**

USSA National Club Relay.  
Crown a National Championship  
Emphasis on clubs and Club/USSA participation.  
Prize Money to be awarded from USSA

Team Receives  
Place 1: 750.00  
Place 2: 500.00  
Place 3: 250.00

Motion to approve. Motion passes unanimously.

**Junior National Standardization for Competition Changes after test period.**

Format for JN's (standardized in comp guide)  
Monday: Interval Start - CL  
Tuesday: Rest  
Wednesday: Sprint -CL  
Thursday: -Rest  
Friday: Mass- Free  
Saturday: Relay –Free

Motion to approve. Motion passes unanimously.

**Implement Standards at the Junior Nationals for US ski team suppliers .**

Suppliers may be charged a fee for waxing space.  
Fees should be at the minimum for the organizer and fair to the supplier.  
Suppliers will receive up to 2 bib credentials at no charge for JN's.

Motion to approve. Motion passed.

**USSA Coaches level 100 certification requirement to coach a USSA trip. (U23, World Juniors and the U18 trip)**

Motion to approve. Motion passes unanimously.

**Seeding changes for all SuperTour and SuperTour finals races. The USSA SuperTour races excluding US Nationals will move to a three tier system**

First =Active FIS points  
Second=Active USSA points  
Third = no FIS/USSA  
Groups will be randomized in groups of 20.

Motion moved to approve. Motion passes. (3 against)

**The use of electronic timing for all sprint heats at USSA National races. Lucky Losers will be assigned by times. This will apply to all USSA US National Championships, SuperTours and Junior Nationals.**

Motion moved to approve. Motion passes.

7. Next Meeting – May, 2014

8. Adjournment of Committee