

Mount Cain Alpine Park Society October Meeting

Date: October 1, 2024

Location: Online – Microsoft Teams

Called to order at: 7:03pm

Mount Cain is located in the territory of the 'Namgis First Nation. The mountainous area near the Davie River, or Dzudzux'an, is known as Papikalan in Kwak'wala, meaning 'place of marmots. The Mount Cain Alpine Society honours and respects our relationship with this nation and are grateful to be able to recreate on these lands.

Attendance:

Name	Director	Executive Role	Attendance at meeting
Eric Sprenger	Director of Technology	Chair	Yes
Dean Hunchuk	Director of Buildings + Construction	Vice Chair	
Kieren Britton	Director of Hospitality / Summer Ops	Secretary	Yes
Alec McBeath	Director of Administration	Treasurer	Yes
Kim Kufaas	Director of Communications		Yes
Rob Webb	Director of Patrol		No
Christian Tuters	Director of Ski Shop + Snow School		
David Mazzucchi	Director of Ticket Booth		Yes
Darren Anonson	Director of Events / Summer Ops		Yes
Mike Green	Director of Ops- Road/Generators		Yes
Dave Steele	Director of Ops- Lifts		
Lynette Tanaka	Director of Human Resources		
Mason Masales	Director of Ops- Snow Machines		Yes
Drew Nagainis	Director of Occ. Health + Safety		Yes
Dave Weymer	Director of RV Park/Summer Ops		Yes

Sarah Duggan	Director of Grants		Yes
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Legend:

- Black writing – Submitted information
- Blue – discussions during meeting
- Purple – Defer
- Red – Motion
- Green – Action items

Motion to approve the agenda

- Kieren motions to approve. Dazy seconds. No opposed.

Motion to approve the previous minutes

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- DM motions to approve. Kieren Seconds. No opposed. Mike abstains.

Chair's Report (5 Minutes)

- Welcome to a new season.
- Big thank you to everyone who showed up to help with the pump out.
- Thanks to Darren for getting the ball rolling on chopping firewood. Red shed is almost filled to the brim with firewood so that is great.
- Setting the tone for this season, we're a team, we're in this together. We are all volunteers and we can work together to help each other out.
- This season I want our focus to be highlighting all the volunteers and volunteer effort around the hill. Mount Cain lives and dies off of our volunteers. With everything going on it's harder for people to be able to help out. We want to get better at thanking volunteers for their contributions.
- Quick overview of the changed meeting format.
- Still working with the RDMW to get a signed lease agreement.

MG – go back in time a bit so we can have our director reports one week in advance so we can all review them before the meeting.

Dazy – Heading to the RDMW and can drop in to say hi and chat in person.

Financial Report (5 Minutes)

Alec is working on a draft budget with Jaclyn, first week on the job!

Director introductions (20 – 30 minutes)

Provide a quick introduction about yourself, how long you've been on the board or involved with MCAPS, what talents you have, and tell us two truths and a lie and we will all guess what the lie is.

Kieren - Has been coming to the mountain since moving to the island in 2024, started in the tavern and this is the first year on the board.

Mason - New director of snow machines. Has been an employee of the mountain for about 10 years and has been coming to the mountain all of 20 years.

Eric – Chair, has been on the board for 11 years (?). Has been coming to Mount Cain for 15-16 years. However old Kapitany is how long he has been coming up to the mountain.

Dazy – Dazy was on the board a while ago, and back about a year ago. He's been around for a long time. He even ski patrolled in 1978 or 1979.

DM - DM has been on the board for 10 years, 4 as chair. Originally came to the board to run the ski shop and worked with Kim there.

Darren - Currently doing events and summer ops. Started coming to Cain in 1990.

Alec - Alec started on the board pre-2018. Has been coming to Cain since around 2008.

Kim – First year on the board, in the role of communications. She has been coming to Cain her whole life, and really got into it around 14 years old.

Drew - Has been the safety director for 2 years and have been volunteering up at Cain for 7 years.

Mike - Has been on the board (grab from recording.)

Sarah - New director of grants, and have been coming up to Mount Cain for the past 10 years and is excited to give back in some way.

Directors Reports (1-5 Minutes Each, let's try to keep this section to 50 minutes)

Note: Questions welcome, discussion and motions come after all reports are completed.

Director of Hospitality

- Looking into some changes around our potluck, more to come soon but the potluck will remain.
- Wondering how budgets per department work so I can track spending and give confident approvals
- Hiring a second cleaner needs to happen for this year. Working with Lynette on this.
- Namgis Cabin walk through aiming for Thanksgiving weekend.

DM – can the billing codes sheet be bumped up in the SharePoint for easy access?

Action item – Eric / Alec has the form changed?

Eric – budget can be discussed at the next meeting.

Director of Technology

- Starlink is still broken, a new cable is on its way and should be here in the next week or so. In the meantime, we are back on slow xplorenet.
- Phone / internet will be flakey while on xplorenet.

Director of Buildings + Construction

- Locks and fire extinguishers done at hill over work weekend – 90% complete. I can set locks with new codes – let me know what you want
- New RV park outhouse now operational (still needs tread on top of box – in progress) – **permit acquired**
- New “leachate” tank installed as part of the composting toilets system.

ACTION ITEM: Need to get a permit for the composting toilets due to the move - in progress

- Pumpout successful – main septic field tank pumped down. All other MCAPS tanks completely emptied.
- Projects still in the works to be completed before start of 24/25 season:
 - Bottom of composting toilet building needs tin
 - Upper windows replacement in solarium of lodge – in progress
 - Drive through skidoo shed (trailer at base of bunnyhill) - in progress
 - Toilet in patrol
 - Venting the kitchen (bigger vent or window/additional vent in wall)
 - New fire escapes on front and back of lodge
- Projects for coming years – (funding pending)
 - Inside Lodge:
 - Redo kitchen area with new fridges and standup freezer
 - Main floor – flooring
 - Solarium and ski shop tech area renovation
 - Remove the old RV park outhouse
 - Generator room fireproofing
 - Move Chateau Lortie to new location (side of bunny hill)
 - Kapitany suite BBQ patio area
 - Build additional Lorties
 - Move Ski Patrol building on top of basement (behind Cat Shed)

Alec – Lisa volunteered to help with a fire plan. This might be something to discuss, or a place to start.

Action Items – Drew: Talk to Lisa re: ladder and fire escapes.

Director of Patrol

Unfortunately, I will not be able to continue on as Ski Patrol Director for the 2024/2025 Season.

I was honoured that my predecessor, Greg Muirhead, put forth my name last season when he too felt it was best for him to step down. It marked the second time I have been asked back on the board and my fourth overall position within the board. However, at this juncture, serving as a board member will not be the best way for me to continue to make positive

contributions to Mount Cain operations or the Mount Cain community at large.

Matt Tjepkema, veteran Cain Patroller for 13 years and current Team Lead, has offered to take over the reins. He has my support and the support of key patrol team members like Greg Muirhead. I ask that the board strongly consider his candidacy as Patrol Director for the 2024/2025 Ski season.

Sincerely,

Rob Burgess-Webb.

Eric – I have been talking with Rob who has offered his resignation and has added it in the minutes here. Looking forward to voting on this motion, Matt would be a great contribution to the board.

Director of Ski Shop + Snow School

- Nothing to report

Director of Ticket Booth

- Nothing to report.

Director of Events

- Not much to report since last week. Ski Tak wants to be really involved, things are happening but nothing official to report.
- Events are already on the calendar for the public.

Alec – we can move on licensing for the events.

DM – A guy from Avalanche Canada is interested in the upcoming events, can I forward them to you? - Yes.

Backcountry fest – Feb 7 +8

Director of Ops- Road/Generators

- Update on planned fall roadworks and D8.

- Might be temporary road closures but more information to come.

Eric – is there a rough budget? - No not yet

Director of Ops- Lifts

- Nothing to report post AGM.
- Big thing for us is to have the lifts inspected this year. New inspector this year.
- We have a new motor to install at L3 once we have groomer access.
- Down a millwright, we need to find a new millwright.

Darren – potential side bar around the L3 motor brought up by a pickup.

Director of Human Resources

- Applications/resumes keep rolling in. Typically I respond to the candidate and CC the appropriate department director.
- Please be on the lookout for these emails and manage accordingly. It is important to have clear communication among department directors, their managers and me as we approach training weekend.
- Employee manual: I no longer have access to InDesign, and will be looking for help producing the manual in the next few weeks.

Director of Ops- Snow Machines

- New track belts are installed on red cat, some welding is required on both cats but otherwise they are ready for snow.
- Brought the Black Polaris snowmobile to the shop to have a lanyard/killswitch installed and electric start sorted out for easier use.

Director of Occ. Health + Safety

- Plans to run the Snowmobile skills test again this year.
- Need to implement a joint health and safety committee. I will be putting a call out for anyone interested. Needs to have at minimum 4 people half-staff, or volunteers and other half managers or someone in a supervisor role.

Drew – is Carris our insurance this year, did we get a report?

Action item – Alec: No we have not received the report this year, I will follow up.

Director of Administration

- In terms of the liquor license and criminal record checks – new license first then if we are requested to get criminal record checks I can send out requests.

Director of RV Park/Summer Ops

- You all saw Nahum's email in which he said he is planning to get his shed and RV moved off the hill.
- Zuch just reported that Evan and crew have their roof/boot room dismantled and are planning to get their rig moved over to the new site in the next few weeks.
- Rob's trailer has been moved to the parking lot.
- I haven't heard back from the RDMW folks re the special use permit yet. I will continue to pursue that.

Action Item - Drew: If someone is at the hill could they screw the door shut on the old RV outhouse so it doesn't get used. We want to keep it empty as the plan is to put it in storage for the time being.

Drew – I am going up soon.

Director of Grants

- Connected with Meaghan regarding the sponsorship poster for 2024/25 and will loop her into conversations with potential new sponsors
- Building a grants spreadsheet to understand what is available, timing, submission requirements, etc.

Action Item- All Directors: Would be useful to know from other Directors what their priority items are that require funding and a rough cost estimate to help determine which grants to pursue.

Director of Communications

- Connected with Erin and she has brought me up to speed with my role
- DM has been helping with how we answer emails on our info@ email

Action Item – All Directors (ongoing): Reminder to everyone to contact me for newsletter items preferably by Tuesday for the Wednesday newsletter as I'd like to have it scheduled to email out and post on time each Wednesday

Eric – related to the newsletter, one of the things we want to do this year is to thank our volunteers so we can introduce our members to people behind the scenes.

Discussions / Motions (20-30 Minutes)

Motion to accept Drew Nagainis on the board for another two-year term.

Motion by: Darren A.

Seconded by: Alec M.

Vote: None opposed, motion passes.

Motion to accept Matt Tjepkema on the board in the role of Director of Patrol

Motion by: David M.

Seconded by: Kieren B

Vote: None opposed, motion passes.

Action item – Eric: Reaching out to Matt to get his full name, phone, email, and full mailing address (including postal code) for BC Society.

Motion to add Alec McBeath & Dean Hunchuk as signers on our bank account, and remove Erin Pickering, Danielle Recksiedler, and Greg Muirhead.

Motion by: Alec M.

Seconded by: Darren A.

Vote: None opposed, motion passes.

Sarah – Meaghan asking around honouring tickets including seasons passes for sponsors.

DM – Worded it that was at the AGM

Adjourn meeting: 8:20 PM

Next meeting November 5th @ 7pm online.