



**I. Attendance**

<i>Board of Governors ATTENDEES</i>	<i>Voting member</i>	<i>HERE</i>	<i>NOT HERE</i>
Derek Werner, Patrol Director	X	X	
Doug Brady, Assistance PD - Building	X	X	
Rae Ann Ruddy, Assistant PD – Off Hill	X	X	
Nancy Trout, Assistant PD – Administration	X	X	
Wayne Lumsden, Assistant PD – On Hill	X	X	
Sharon Hazen, Treasurer	X	X	
Meg Lambert, Board Member	X	X	
Cricket Nickolaou, Board Member	X	X	
Vito Manzella, Board Member	X	X	
Steve Werner, Patrol Advocate		X	
Pam King, Past Patrol Director	X	X	
Jennifer Banacki, Administrative assistant	X	X	
Ryan Siebert, Candidate Rep	X	X	
<i>Guests/Advisory Committee Attendees</i>			
Jen Jurcak, PSIA coordinator		X	
Jeff Jurcak, Guest		X	
Pete Massacesi, Alumni coordinator		X	
Jamie Roell, Guest		X	
John Mehl, Guest		X	

**II. Call to order**

8:35 p.m.

Derek Werner called this special topic meeting to order to discuss the ski swap.  
*I apologize for the late notice, but I would like to have a brief Zoom call tonight to discuss the Ski Swap. I know we talked about some Swap logistics during the Board meeting last week, but with a slight uptick in COVID cases in Michigan, I am getting feedback from several patrollers about the safety of holding the Swap.*

**III. Special Ski Swap topic discussion**

Derek wanted to have a special discussion about the pros and cons of holding the ski swap this year. We have to be concerned for the safety of both patrollers and public.

AREA PATROLS

*Nancy:* Are other patrols having second thoughts? What are they doing?

*Derek* has not heard from the Northern Patrols. Alpine Valley and Mt. Holly have smaller swaps and are planning on holding their swaps.

*Vito:* Nubs will be limiting people to 300 for their lodge. They are putting in electronic turnstiles at each entrance and exit. Nubs has extended the roof to create an



outdoors patio for outdoors seating and eating. There is a new outdoor food court. They have instituted online food ordering that can be done from anywhere on the resort, including the chair lift, and have it delivered to just outside the building. Patrollers are prohibited from entering the lodge unless it is an emergency. Patrollers will boot up in their cars. Patrollers cannot store equipment, or jackets inside the patrol building. Everyone must wear a mask while riding the chair lift and while attending to patients.

### PATROLLER CONCERNS

*Pam:* What is the feedback from the Pine Knob Patrollers? Are there patrollers that are requesting to not participate because of the risk?

Derek has heard from a few patrollers asking how we are planning to social distance and to control potentially affected people from entering the swap. Derek is concerned that if we hold the swap and someone contracts COVID from the swap, will there be a liability issue?

*Pam:* If we have staff that will not come for fear of being exposed, we will not have enough staff. Every year we struggle with being fully staffed as it is. Because of the risk to older patrollers, we many not have enough support.

### CONTROLLING DISEASE CONTACT

*Doug:* What are the points of contact or transmitting the disease? Is the virus staying on surfaces? Hard surfaces, soft surfaces? Boot fitting may make patrollers uncomfortable. Should we limit the number of Shumaker employees? How are other ski shops handling customers?

*Sharon:* How are retail stores handling it? Suggest maybe we not contact people when boot fitting. Instead we can talk them through a proper boot fitting. Also a big problem will be the lines in the ski swap where customers are in close contact with patrollers and other customers. This is a bottleneck area that is susceptible to close contact.

*Ryan:* Recent trips to the ski company this year, he has noticed they are allowing boot fitting and kid rental program where they are fitting boots.

### CONTROLLING SOCIAL DISTANCING

*John:* Suggested we double the size of the space used in the building and reduce the swap product by 25%.

*John:* We could use radios at the entrances to control the number of people in the building. Plan to flow people in one door and out to another door. Can use the patio to check in equipment. Can utilize the marking son the floor that Rob has for ticket purchases.



*Pete:* How many people will we have in the building at one time? We first need to determine what that is and if that is possible. By law the number in the building is by occupancy. Each room or area within the building may have an occupancy rating.

*Derek:* The resort building is 30,000 ft<sup>2</sup>. Calculating 25% occupancy, that equates to 830 people in the building. We likely will not use the entire building, but Rob did say we might spread out to use the downstairs.

### CUSTOMER CONTROL

*Pam:* If we cut down on the amount of product we sell, that will open the space to allow better flow with social distancing.

*Derek:* At a minimum, we should avoid selling clothing and helmets.

*Jamie:* We cannot lose sight of the fact that while we can control the flow better and protect the public, we are still running a risk of exposing our patrollers. Patrollers that spend many hours at the swap will be highly exposed. We may not be able to know which people entering the building will be carrying the virus. They may not even know if they are carrying the virus. In addition, the building itself is not set up well as a retail space. We cannot effectively manage customer flow. There are too many bottlenecks and poor HVAC airflow.

### SWAP SETUP

*John:* The patrol needs to decide what components of the swap are acceptable as it and what are at risk of spreading the disease. For example, someone sitting in a chair checking people out for 5 hours is risking long exposures.

*Jamie:* Should we set up plexi-glass shields?

### FINANCIAL RISK

*Doug:* Question for Derek and Sharon. What are the long term effects of missing the swap this year? Can we afford it?

*Sharon:* We should be aware that this year we would not be spending as much money. We are saving from not having the banquet, seasonal kitchen expenses, foods and supplies for the refreshers, etc. Our current cash balance is \$35k.

*Derek:* We have only a few upcoming expenses this year. Some first aid supplies, a printer, an office computer.

*Cricket:* I agree with Doug. Can we instead raise money from the patrol if we need more money?



*Derek:* In my opinion we can get by this year without the swap funds because we have saved money by not having other expenses. This year is not a critical year for expenses. We can make an effort to curtail the normal on hill expenses during the season. I am not sure we could increase the dues this year, at this time. However, if we find we need to raise some funds later, we maybe able to ask for a little more in dues later, or a go fund me account.

*Wayne:* What regional events will be cancelled this year, saving us money?

*Jamie:* I have not heard there will be any division events scheduled. However, at the last division meeting, there was talk of only 5 regional events. Events still being held have not yet been officially announced.

### MOVING TO ONLINE SALES ONLY

*Vito:* Can we stop garage sale items from being allowed?

*Jamie:* We can simply not allow cosigners and only select specific stores.

*Sharon:* That would solve a lot of issues with contact by controlling whom we let in to the building to sell.

### CLEANING

*Ryan:* What is our capability of cleaning?

*Derek:* We don't have a sprayer and likely will not have one before November. Pam has one, but it may not be enough. Currently, we only have the spray bottle with a bleach solution that we are using in the aid room and for OEC. Not sure that will be effect or that we could effectively cover a rotating cleaning schedule.

### HELP FROM HOSPITALS

*Doug:* What about the McLaren Health systems and Steve Browns contact?

*Derek:* I will ask, but suspect the hospitals are hard hit and will not be able to assist.

*Cricket:* I can confirm at least her clinic has significant costs

*Doc:* I don't think the hospitals will have any loose money available to help.

### SUMMARY

*John:* Should the plan be that we use the whole building? We understand that we will only be conducting a \$6k - \$7k fundraiser this year. We plan for fewer staff, fewer product, not accept 20 boots of the same size from shops.

*Pam:* I don't think a \$6k - \$7k fundraiser is worth it.



*Rae Ann:* I think we can plan to safely limit people in the building and control the amount of product. However, I cant figure out in my head, how we can safely do check in and check out, as well as set up and tear down without avoiding close contact.

*Jeff:* I think that we are a safety organization and we should be practicing safety for the public and the patrollers. I think suggesting the swap in the wrong thing particularly during this year. I think there is more risk than gain.

*Jamie:* If we skip this year, I am sure the public will understand

*John:* While the swap is not under the resorts umbrella, the public looks at the swap as a resort event. We are putting Rob at risk if something goes wrong.

*Vito:* This year, the public will not look unfavorably upon Pine Knob for not having the swap. Perhaps we can set up an online store or bulletin board to post used skis for sale.

*Jen:* Too much work. Facebook market place is already an easy way for people to sell skis.

*John:* As a parent with kids, I know that other parents need to try things on for their kids.

*Cricket:* What are the pros and cons?

PROS	CONS
Raising money for the budget	Not enough help
Equipment (service) for the community	Not easy to control people in space
Parents can try on equipment for kids	Not able to effectively clean
	Risk of infecting even 1 person
	Restricting shop personnel

**2009-04 Motion.** Doug Motioned to cancel the swap for 2020. Vote was unanimous

**ACTION:** Jamie will contact Bob Cohen. Will also put a note on the front page of our consignment sale page.

**ACTION:** Nancy will update the website.

**ACTION:** Pam will let the shops know of the decision to cancel this year.

**ACTION:** Derek will let Rob know of our decision to cancel this year.

**IV. Adjournment**

**9:20 p.m.**

**2009-05 Motion** to Adjourn by Vito. Ryan seconds the motion.