

OSC Board of Directors Draft Meeting Minutes

Date: Monday January 19th 2026

Time: 7:00 – 9:00 PM

Location: Tournament Capital Centre Room B



Directors Present: Charlene Eden, Luc Guilherme, Chloe Hetherington, Erin Vieira, Amanda Taylor, John Grover, Gillian Stanley, Alan Richards

Staff Present: Chelsea Francis

Regrets: Joan Bernard, Dana Manhard

Meeting convened at 7:05 PM.

1.1 Adoption of agenda

Moved/seconded by Gillian Stanley/Chloe Hetherington that:

The January 19th 2026 OSC board agenda be adopted.

CARRIED

Discussion:

John asked for clarity on the consent agenda. 'Agenda' was added to the board agenda, item 6.4, for discussion.

1.2 Approve December 2025 draft meeting minutes

Moved/seconded by Luc Guilherme/Alan Richards that:

The December 15th 2025 draft OSC board meeting summary be approved.

CARRIED

1.3 Introduction of Bruce Mitchell

Mr. Mitchell did not attend the meeting.

1.4 President's report

Charlene Eden provided a President's report for January:

Happy New Year to everyone. This past month I completed the first draft of the OSC bylaws for the Board's consideration. I am hopeful we are quite close to being ready to present them to the membership within the coming months. I will discuss this further in the governance report.

Chelsea, Amanda and I continue to work on different things related to OSC's finances. We are still working on getting RBC Express online sorted after some delays on RBC's end but I am hopeful we will have this sorted within the next few weeks. The three of us will also be meeting on January 22nd via Zoom to further discuss draft Finance policies that Amanda created (thank you Amanda, for doing that!) and once we have draft of all the policies, we will present them to the Board.

We are also only a couple months away from our Annual General Meeting timeline so we will need to discuss this at the Board meeting and set a date.

I look forward to catching up with everyone at the Board meeting on Monday.

Charlene

1.5 Old business

Action item from October 2025 board meeting:

- Charlene and/or Chelsea to follow up with Jennifer Chrumka about taking on publicity for the club.

Item (for discussion) deferred from October 2025 board meeting:

- Overlander email hosting.

Discussion:

Chelsea and Charlene confirmed that Jennifer Chrumka did not respond to Chelsea's follow-up about doing publicity for the club.

Action item:

- Erin to put email hosting on the February agenda for discussion.

2.1 Governance report

Charlene Eden provided a Governance report for January:

I have put together a revised version of the draft bylaws for the Board's consideration. As a reminder and with a few additions from the previous email, the major changes to the new draft include the following:

- Part 2: Membership – changes have been made to clarify what membership entails; the process for being considered a member; the requirements; suspension and removal.
Major changes include:
 - Requiring members to sign a Code of Conduct which I am suggesting we include in our membership registration
 - A change to expulsion that puts it at the Board level
 - Voting vs. non-voting members.
- Part 4: Proceedings at General Meetings – the biggest change is around means of voting
- Part 5: Directors and Officers – this section is far more detailed than the previous section.
Major changes/additions include:
 - Board composition: I am proposing 5-10 Directors and a structure of four Executive, and the rest Directors-at-large. I would like to discuss this as well as who decides the Executive (at the board level or membership level).
 - Board nominations process: process for applying and legal requirements to sit on a Board
 - Length of terms as well as the limiting length of time on the Board with the option to receive an extension from the Board for further terms. The length of terms as well as how to stagger the terms is something we should discuss further. Please note that I also added some criteria around board appointments and length of term.
 - Board removal and resignation, with the understanding that a Board member may resign but if they are under investigation, their resignation or removal is not immune to any sanctions or consequences.
- Part 6: Proceedings of Directors – the biggest addition is a part around in-camera proceedings
- Part 7: Duties of Officers – I have altered some of the roles for the four Executive Positions and took out the part about having the Secretary/Treasurer roles overlap.
- Part 8: Finance and Management – this is a section I think needs further discussion to decide how detailed we want this to be. This section is key to ensuring organizational stability and protection. But one major change I inputted is that the Financials are approved at the Board level and not at the AGM by the membership.
- Part 12: Dissolution – we are required to have a section on dissolution.

There are also a few items for further consideration/discussion that came up as I was putting together the latest draft:

- In section 2.2 I added that any child as of December 31st would need a parent to sign for them. I had not put a specific date in the previous draft. The date could also be put as something like September 1st because we don't open registration typically before September 1st and that way it would be quite easy for parents to know whether they had to sign for their child. This should be a discussion point at the meeting.

- For membership age and voting, we also specify someone must be 18 years of age to be a voting member but I did not provide a specific date for when a member needed to be 18. Do we want to put a requirement like we do for children under the age of 12? And if so, would what that requirement be? 18 at the time of registration? As of December 31st of the membership year?
- We also need to specify our membership year. Thoughts on this? I put November 1st to October 31st as a starting point.

I am sure there are other areas for discussion/consideration and I would ask the Board to please come to the meeting prepared with any questions/comments/areas of discussion around the draft bylaws. But I am hopeful that we are nearing the point where we are ready to share the proposed bylaw changes with the membership.

Charlene

Please see the separate document sent out with the agenda: *Bylaws of Overlander Ski Club draft January 2026.docx*.

2.2 Revised draft Donation Policy

At the December board meeting, Erin Vieira presented a draft Donation Policy. The board discussed the draft and made suggestions. A revised draft Donation Policy is presented for approval by the board (key changes from the December draft are highlighted), and to be formatted and included in the OSC Policy Handbook:

Overlander Ski Club Donation-Giving Policy

1. Purpose

This policy establishes guidelines for how Overlander Ski Club provides donations to groups, organizations, or community causes. Its aim is to ensure that donations from OSC are financially responsible, align with club values, and support the local community and OSC membership.

2. Guiding Principles

- a) Fairness and transparency. All donation requests are considered and evaluated using the criteria outlined in this policy.
- b) Accountability. Donations are approved or declined by the Board of Directors. All donations are documented in club records.
- c) Financial responsibility. Donations will not compromise the club's operational stability or financial position.

3. Eligibility Criteria

OSC may provide donations to local community groups, schools, youth programs, sports clubs, and individuals or families in hardship. Priority is given to groups or clubs that:

- a) Are local to the Kamloops area

- b) Have promotional value for OSC (i.e., the recipient will promote or advertise OSC in return)
- c) Have the possibility of reciprocal benefits (i.e., sports group or clubs that could provide a similar donation back to OSC or OSC members)
- d) Directly benefit OSC members (i.e., a donation to a cause that OSC members are part of, such as a high school fundraiser).

OSC will not give donations to:

- a) for-profit companies
- b) For-profit sports or recreation groups
- c) Individuals for private benefit.

4. The Donation

A donation will typically consist of two day-passes (adult or adult equivalent) and two ski equipment rentals. The board may consider an alternative donation at its discretion.

5. Limit on Donations

- a) A donation recipient may only receive one donation per year
- b) OSC will limit its donations to 10 per year (i.e., 10 sets of two adult day-passes with rental equipment)
- c) This limit may be exceeded at the discretion of the Board.

6. Record Keeping

The OSC General Manager receives and administers the donation requests, including bringing them to the Board for a decision. The GM will maintain a record of all donations granted each year, and over multiple years. The record will include all of the donation requests received, and the donations given. The GM will include donations in the regular monthly reports to the Board.

3.1 Publicity report

No report.

3.2 Registrar's report

Joan Bernard provided a Registrar's report for January:

Membership to January 15th 2026: 1105 people registered including 18 snowshoers (FYI the comparable registration number for last year as of January 15th was 1134 season passes including 19 snowshoers).

Current registration numbers:

- 878 Individual season pass (ski and snowshoe)
- 12 Individual membership only (no trail pass)
- 18 Snowshoe ONLY season pass (includes membership)

186 I am in the Family Season Ski Pass
11 I am in the Family Membership only
1105

Season passes include 8 staff members (passes issued free to them so they are covered by our insurance).

Ski development:

18 Level 1 (age 4, 5)
13 Level 2 (age 6)
19 Level 3 (age 7)
21 Level 4 (age 8, 9)
8 Track Attack (age 9-12)
11 Junior Development
6 Nordic Explorers (age 11-18)
96

Dryland training: 6

3.3 Social Coordinator's report

Gillian Stanley provided a Social Coordinator's report for January:

New Year's Event – Full Moon ski and potluck with appies and gluwein – Potluck 7:30 – 9:00

- This event did take place, I have not heard how it went.

Sunday January 11th – new member orientation day

- This event had 11 new members sign up. We had three volunteers assigned to show the skiers around. Unfortunately there were many last-minute cancellations on the morning of the event and we had four skiers show up.
- All three volunteers reported successful experiences with their skiers and agree that this event should happen again.

Future events (weather dependent):

- Sunday February 8th – Tentative SKI THE OUTER LOOP DAY
 - Hot chocolate station will be set up at the half-way point manned by volunteers for the day
- Sunday February 16th – Family day event 11:00 – 3:00
 - Received great ideas from Anita Grover, some of which are hot dog roasts for both skiers and snow shoers in two different locations, fancy hot chocolate station, Olympic combined station which would be ski jumping and skiing, eco-aims biathlon demonstration/trial, scavenger hunt, relay race
- Other possible events include Light Up! Ski, and Sunset Ski & Potluck on February 27th

Mascot – we would like to investigate the possibility of having a mascot made for our club for future events (Mabel the Moose). This would be used for every event the club holds, from races to family days to parades. Promotionally, it creates a fun visual and attracts families. I have reached out to one company that makes them, the ballpark cost is \$6-7K. Before I go any further I would like the boards' thoughts.

Discussion:

Some board members shared their thoughts, and there were various levels of enthusiasm for a mascot. Gillian stated that 100 Mile House xc ski has a mascot. There were ideas for where the mascot could attend, other than at Stake Lake, including the Santa Claus Parade, Family Day, the Wildlife Park, and the annual Boogie the Bridge run. It is potentially a large expense, but board members acknowledged that a mascot would catch the attention of children and families.

3.4 Volunteer Coordinator's report

No report.

4.1 Strategic Plan report

No report.

5.1 Treasurer's report

Amanda reported that Tracy (bookkeeper) has completed T4 slips. Refunds have been issued for participants that had registered for the Teck Cup. She did not have a balance sheet prepared for the meeting due to technological issues, she will ensure it's ready for the next meeting.

5.2 Trail Committee's report

Luc reported that machine grooming has been difficult so far this year with the minimal snow base. The snowmobile grooming has been very good, there have been lots of positive comments at the ticket booth and on the trails. Chelsea explained the decision to close the trails, primarily from a safety perspective. The skiing conditions from the lodge and parking lot are only suitable for experienced skiers. Conditions on the higher trails are better, but can only be accessed by the lower trails that currently have very thin coverage and lots of ice.

5.3 General Manager's report

Chelsea Provided a report for January:

- 5264 Trail users to-date this season

- \$55,281 through Shopify (vs. \$84,594 last year – longer season, better snow and weather over the holiday period)
- \$5960 through FareHarbour, also down 28% from last year due to cancelled lessons for conditions
- SkiSkool ran five really good days before the melt, the coaches are great at adapting to changing conditions
- Raffle raised \$750 for the ski league, two lucky winners got skate skis!
- Trails are quite melted down at the moment, sadly. We would need about 15 cms to be able to partially open trails – we just need one green loop and access to the blues to be open again. Snow in the forecast for next weekend.
- Lessons, programs and events currently on hold, everything that can be rescheduled or moved to the rain date has been. I want to cancel as little as possible, just try to be creative in bumping it forward.

Finance

- We are close to having online banking set up, there is some sort of error showing in the RBC system when they try to set it up that they have their back-end team working on
- Jeff (former Treasurer) is working on signing over the CRA account to Amanda
- Everything for year-end is submitted
- A parent from Ski League donated \$7000 towards the race expenses this year!
- Rob and I are working on some grants for new classic roller skis as the club only has skate skis
- Refunds for those registered for the Teck Cup race are being processed
- The CCBC fundraiser has kicked off and I will set up our club page and our 'trail upgrades project' for funding this week.

Coaching

- Carolyn approved the contracts I drafted and stated that Yes, the funds can only be used for salaries
- Rob and Roy need to sign the contracts and we need to cut cheques for them
- Race plan for the season for Rob and Roy: "Roy and I have put the following together as a tentative plan for the race season. I've already attended three races and will attend the OK Cup #1 in Revelstoke with three athletes. Several families have expressed interest in the local races as well as the Provincial level races.
 - November 28-30 – Continental Cup – Sovereign (attended already)
 - December 6-7 – IBU Biathlon – Sovereign (attended Saturday to wax for both days)
 - December 12-16 – Olympic Qualifiers – Sovereign (attended already)
 - January 3 – Teck OK Cup #1/BCWG trials – Revelstoke (Rob attending)
 - January 10-11 – BC Cup #1 – Prince George (Rob attending)
 - January 18 – Teck OK Cup #2 – Overlander (Rob and Roy attending) (cancelled)
 - January 24-25 – BC Track Attack Champs – Telemark, Kelowna (Roy attending)

- January 29 – February 1 – World Junior Trials/Westerns – Canmore (Rob attending)
- February 1 – Overlander Loppet – Overlander, Kamloops (Roy attending)
- February 7-8 – BC Cup #2 – Salmon Arm (Rob and Roy attending)
- February 14 – Teck OK Cup #3 – Vernon (Rob attending if we have athletes)
- February 20-22 – BC Championships – Whistler (Rob attending)
- March 9-14 – National Championships – Mt. Ste Anne QC (Rob attending)
- The dates are the actual race days and we may be arriving the before to set up and test depending on the number of athletes we have at each event
- In addition to the race schedule, Roy and I will be providing three practices a week (Saturday, Tuesday and Thursday evenings)”

Community/Partnerships

- You might have noticed all the community news outlets have reached out about the closure wanting comment. I personally don't love that media always want to talk about issues but never about successes, and I tried to keep my comments generally positive. Charlene spoke with CBC and suggested I speak with CBC about how to get some more positive stories and events of ours covered and I did and was given some more resources, so I hope to get some more positive media coverage going forward.

An email from Snowseekers regarding sponsorship below:

“Good day team Overlander Nordic/Chelsea,

A very happy new year to yah! All the best to seeing this be your best year yet!

Through the year we @SnowSeekers are stoked to partner with a variety of Nordic Ski clubs and DMOs (example Destination SilverStar) in promotion of cross country ski destinations across BC.

The result of this partnership – are stories like this – that we are looking to generate attention too from Nordic skiers from across Western Canada.

<https://www.snowseekers.ca/story/glide-snow-globe-cross-country-skiing-silverstar>

Does the Nordic club offer corporate sponsorships? Example if SnowSeekers was to provide Overlander Nordic with say an annual \$500 sponsorship – could this include the publication of a version of this story under your latest news section?

One of our financial commitment – we'd ask to see three stories every winter appear on the Overlander Nordic site along with a social media post or two to draw attention to the story off your channels.

I would be happy to chat this through over a phone call or Zoom – please let me know when might work and I will share a meeting invite.

Let'er snow, let'er snow

Jim

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Actionable: What should we do about staff during this shut-down outside of provide them as much work as we can?

Discussion:

Chelsea highlighted the challenges for staff when the trails close temporarily mid-season. She reminded the board that there are two dedicated night staff and two Ski Skool staff. There are additional part-time staff. There were suggestions from board members about how to keep Ski Skool running and keep the staff busy, including providing alternative activities to skiing such as a scavenger hunt, nature walk, fort-building, etc. Ultimately, it would be up to the classes decide if they like this alternative program while we wait for better skiing conditions.

The board also briefly discussed the Snow Seekers request. Charlene suggested that the Board develop a sponsorship policy first.

5.4 Ski League report

Anita Grover provided a Ski League report for January:

Numbers for Programs:

Level 1 Bunnies:	19 registrants (+3 from last month) 3 coaches
Level 2:	12 registrants 2 coaches
Level 3:	19 registrants (+1 from last month) 2 coaches
Level 4	21 registrants 4 coaches (+2 from last month)

Track Attack: 9 registrants
2 coaches (-1 from last month)

Junior Development: 10 registrants
2 coaches

Nordic Explorers: 5 registrants (+1 from last month)
2 coaches

Total registered: 95 (4 up from 91 last year)

Total coaches: 17 (plus 4 spares) 3 down from 20 last year and up 2 spares from 2

Athletes' numbers have improved since last month surpassing last year's numbers. Coaches numbers remain below last year's amounts and with the increase in participants, some are faced with higher ratios. Spreading our coaches to groups equally continues to be a problem as many volunteer coaches choose only to coach certain levels to remain with their children. We do have a number of 'parent helpers' but they only expressed an interest after coaching courses have closed and are thus not 'certified'.

This year we saw a significant number of participants join the lessons after registration had closed. This created significant time consultation with coaches, the registrar and administration. **It is thus recommended that an additional late fee be applied to registrations after the closing date next season.**

Ski league merchandise – an order has been submitted to Nordique Canada for Ski League participants. All Bunnies and Jack Rabbits will be receiving toques and Track Attack buffs. OSC is charged for each toque or buff \$12 and builds the cost into the registration fee.

Ski league rentals – A total of five families and seven pairs of skis were rented from the ski league seasonal ski inventory this season. Each family was charged \$50 per skis for the season for a total of \$350 for the season. Only skis and bindings are available and each family is responsible for securing their own boots and poles.

Coaching certification – We only had one individual participate in the Intro to Community Coaching Certification Program that was held in Kamloops this year. OSC reimbursed the coach for this certification for a total of \$52.

Jackets – OSC jackets have been distributed to the coaches and nine have taken the club on their offer to use them over the season. Free use of a coaching jacket is one of the perks provided to the volunteer coaches. There has been a definite shortage of the Small, Medium and Large (XXL) sizes and a new order to meet these needs will have to be made.

Events – Two eco-aim try-it events were scheduled over the last month. One was held in December over the holiday season and a second on January 10 was cancelled. It was felt that it

was only the second day of scheduled lessons and that the focus of the coaches should be spent on solidifying their groups and skills. A later date is being explored.

5.5 Teck Cup Race report

No report.

5.6 OSC Race Team report

Rob Kitamura and Roy Davidson provided the following report for January:

Nov. 28-30 Continental Cup, Sovereign Lake

Athletes: Joe Kitamura, Xavier Wallace
Coach/Wax: Rob Kitamura

This race was downgraded from a Tier 1 race to a Tier 3 race due to low snow conditions. Because of the downgrade, Xavier decided not to come and instead focus on his studies. Waxing and race conditions were fairly tough throughout the weekend. OSC partnered with several smaller clubs including Williams Lake and Revelstoke. Collaborations are the name of the game when the number of skiers and resources are on a smaller scale.

Day 1 was Interval Start Free. The course was heavily modified and Joe skied 3X2.5km. He finished mid- pack in the Open Men category.

Day 2 was a Sprint Free Technique. They skied another modified course. Joe qualified 4th in the U20 men category and just missed out on making the finals by a ski length. He was 1st in his first heat and came 3rd in the semi-final.

Day 3 was Interval Start Classic. Joe skied 4X2.5km and had a solid race finishing 13 out of 39. He was happy with his race as his last 2 splits were faster than his 2nd split. He has been working on evening out his split times.

Dec. 6-7 IBU Biathlon, Sovereign Lake

Athletes: John Cochrane, Deacon Pizio
Coach/Wax: Rob Kitamura

First Biathlon race of the season and a first Biathlon race for Coach Rob. Both athletes were shooting 22 and non-carry. There is a lot to biathlon competitions, and I can't even begin to understand most of it. Rob was there mainly to help the athletes with ski coaching (warm up, cool down, race tactics) and waxing. Both athletes had an enjoyable experience competing and were happy with their first race of the season. Results are hard to determine as there are many

categories and athletes compete in up to 5-year age categories. Both of our athletes are great shots.

Dec. 12-16 Nordiq Canada 2026 Olympic Winter Games Trials

Athletes: Joe Kitamura, Xavier Wallace

Coach/Wax: Rob Kitamura

This race was moved from Prince George to Sovereign Lake due to low snow conditions in PG. This was a huge race and the top athletes in Canada were there vying for a position on the Canadian Olympic Cross Country Team. The OSC athletes were not there to secure positions on the Team as there were many pre-qualifications that existed. Xavier ended up being mainly supported by his race team in Alberta, but he was registered as Overlander for his club. OSC again collaborated with clubs from Williams Lake, Revelstoke, Fernie, Nelson, and Bulkley Valley. These clubs have worked together at provincial and national level races for several years. This race was a unique experience for both of our athletes because it is not often that they get to compete head-to-head with the best in the country. Some of the Canadian athletes have had top 10 finishes on the World Cup circuit this season.

Day 1 was Interval Start Classic (5.2 Km). Conditions were quite poor and ski selection ended up being critical. Those athletes skiing on new equipment and those without specialty skis like Zeros had a tough slog. There wasn't a wax solution that worked (including klister) so zero skis and skis with manually applied hairies were really the only thing that worked reliably. Joe headed out on his brand-new classic skis that had some grip in the testing area (but none on the course) and quickly realized that he would have to double pole and herring bone the whole course. The racecourses for the Olympic Trials are World Cup rated and had some extreme grades. Joe finished the race but was quite disappointed in his ski selection. Xavier happened to have some old training skis that were soft and worked out perfect for hairies. He had a great ski and was quite happy to finish in the upper half of the group.

Day 2 was Interval Start Free (5.2 Km). Conditions were again quite unstable. Our group of coaches and wax techs worked from the early hours to make some fast skis. In the end there was a mad rush to apply a final topcoat and structure as the conditions changed dramatically in under an hour. Xavier's skis were handled by his Alberta team and were decent. He finished mid-pack and was happy with this performance. Joe's skis missed out on the topcoat and structure in the mayhem, and he ended up having to work very hard to catch up to competitors on the up-hills as he was constantly being passed and dropped on the downhills. He was extremely frustrated with his results, but we chalked this race up to learning how to keep pushing when things aren't going your way.

Day 3 was Sprints Free. Xavier had to return to Calgary to study and take exams. Joe was pretty much destroyed by the previous 2 days of racing and finished outside of the top 30 so he did not race in the heats. He was happy how he skied the first half of the qualifier, but he hit the wall at the last steep uphill before the finish.

Jan. 3 Teck OK Cup #1 Revelstoke

Athletes: Deacon Pizio, Lydia Pizio, Johan Campsall

Coach/Wax: Rob Kitamura

Classic Interval Start. When we arrived at the venue it was very apparent that waxing was going to be an issue. It was 0 degrees and snowing heavily. The conditions the previous day were conducive to klisters, but the day of the race saw pretty much anything we put on the skis freezing and clumping. Lydia and Johan had skin skis available, so we used our trusty anti-freeze spray, and they were able to enjoy a ski in the heavy snow conditions. They had tons of grip but had to work the glide hard. Deacon was rocking his new waxable classic skis so we had to find something to get him some sort of grip. We landed on goopy yellow hard wax covered by a blue hardwax. He had some grip and didn't experience clumping the last 300m. He performed an admirable Klaebo run up the finishing straight and finished an extremely tough race. All the athletes had a great time in the wintery conditions. Revelstoke put on a great race and they were drumming up interest in our OK Cup #2 during announcements.

We are very much looking forward to the arrival of our new OSC branded tent after this race. Things were soaking wet, but Coach Rob cashed in some good will tickets and got small dry spot in a storage area.

Jan. 10-11 BC Cup #1 Prince George

Athlete: Joe Kitamura

Coach/Wax: Rob Kitamura

The last time we raced in PG we were worried about being able to race due to the cold temperatures (-15-20). This time we arrived in PG and everything was melting at +6. We stopped at the Bull Mountain ski area (just north of Williams Lake) as the Williams Lake Ski Club invited us to ski for free as we have been working together at races for several years. Their ski area is fantastic! They have recently built a new lodge and their trails appeal to all levels of skiers. I highly recommend a visit if you are in the area. They had about the same amount of snow as Stake did at the time. OSC teamed up with Revelstoke, Williams Lake, Fernie, and Nelson and we had 20 athletes combined. By collaborating with these clubs, we can access fleets of test skis which are a huge investment. We share our waxes and tools and we keep wax room rental costs low.

Day 1 was Interval Start Classic (7.5 km). Joe had time to shake off his last classic race experience and spent time testing his skis prior to the race. The wax techs and coaches spent many hours testing we nailed both the kick and the glide. Joe skied to a silver medal but was most happy with his split times. He started off a little slower than he liked but his last 2 laps were the fastest overall.

Day 2 was Mass Start Free (10 km). Joe's skis did not get missed for waxing or structure. Joe was feeling strong and confident from the previous day's results. He started in the 4th row of the grid (16th) and made up 10 spots by the top of the first climb. He was in the lead pack for the first lap and most of the second lap. The conditions were fast and the lead group was skiing aggressively. 2 skiers in front of Joe got tangled midway through a downhill and Joe was unable to avoid the inevitable crash because the group was so tight. He launched over the downed skiers, ended up headfirst in a snowbank, then proceeded to get buried by 6 other skiers in following chase groups. He was uninjured; however he lost 3-4 minutes just trying to extricate himself. He continued to race once he got back up but he knew there was no catching up. He had discussions with several of us coaches on a long uphill and he decided to use this race as an intensity workout but not cross the finish line. Points are calculated by the time differential from the 1st place skier. If he had finished the race, this would put him at a disadvantage for all the subsequent races as he would be starting further back in the mass start grid. This was his first DNF, but he was happy with his performance in the beginning of the race.

Next Up:

Jan. 24-25- BC Track Attack Champs, Telemark, Kelowna
Athletes: Deacon Pismo, Daniel Wynne, Claire Wynne, possibly others
Coaches/Wax: Roy Davidson, Jordana Pismo, Issy Hendry

Jan. 29-Feb. 1- World Junior Trials/Westerns – Canmore
Athletes: Joe Kitamura, Xavier Wallace, possibly others
Coaches/wax: Rob Kitamura

6.1 Board Business – revised draft Bylaws

The board discussed the latest version of the draft bylaws. Charlene focussed the discussion on the recent changes, and she captured highlights of the conversation in her bylaws document. Charlene also clarified that once the draft bylaws are finalized, the board will vote on them before they can be presented to the membership.

Action item:

- Amanda is going to check with the club's accounting firm about specified dates in the bylaws conflicting with year-end.
- Charlene and Amanda to discuss finalizing Part 8 and 9 of the draft bylaws.

6.2 Board Business – revised draft Donation Policy

Moved/seconded by John Grover/Alan Richards that:

That revised draft Donation Policy be approved.

CARRIED

Action item:

- Erin will finalize the draft with the accepted edits, format it and upload it to the Google Drive where the other club policies are stored.

6.3 Board Business – Annual General Meeting

Chelsea explained that typically the AGM is the third Monday in March. Alan confirmed that March 16th is the first day of spring break. There was a brief discussion and it was decided to hold the AGM on March 9th at 7 PM, with a special board meeting on March 2nd. The March 16th board meeting will thus be cancelled.

Action item:

- Erin will send out a calendar invitation to board members for the AGM, and will update the calendar invitation for the March board meeting

6.5 Board Business – Agenda

There was not enough time in the meeting to discuss the purpose and use of consent and business agendas.

Action item:

- Erin will add this to the February agenda for discussion.

6.5 Board Business – In Camera

Moved/seconded by Chloe Hetherington/Alan Richards that:

The OSC board convene in camera.

CARRIED

7. Adjourn

Moved/seconded by Chloe Hetherington/John Grover that:

The January 19th 2026 meeting of the OSC board adjourn.

CARRIED

Adjourned at 9:30 pm.

Next meeting:

Tuesday February 17th, 7:00 – 9:00 at the Tournament Capital Centre, Room B.