## FAR WEST MASTERS BOARD MEETING – NOTES 15 October, 2011 – 3 pm (after Officials' Clinic) 12105 Silver Fox, Verdi, NV (Palermos' residence)

Call to Order: Mark Mirviss called the meeting to order at 3:15 PM

**Present:** Mike Braun, Don Smith, Mark Mirviss, Deb Lewis, Marietta Frinell. **Guests:** Doug Fulton, Eddie Mozen, Linda Crowell, Rees Palermo

For lack of a quorum the meeting was adjourned at 3:17, and an informal discussion was held on the following topics:

**Deb** explained this year's procedure with Ski Race Reg. All racers are encouraged to use online race entry, as it's easier for both racers and organizers. All racers will need to activate their SkiRaceReg.com account for the 2012 season to verify contact information and payment account for this season. The signup pages will appear the first time a member logs in. Proposed modifications prepared by Deb and Doug Fulton to the "back-end" payment processing steps between Far West Masters, SkiRaceReg.com, and race organizers for online race entry fees was reviewed, with the goal of a simplified operational procedure for the 2012 season. **Deb** will write up a detailed description of this procedure, to be sent out separately from these notes.

**Mark** reported that a check for \$500 had been sent to the FWM Scholarship Program in memory of Teddy Cantanho.

Linda volunteered to head the awards committee.

**"Bring a friend for a free entry"** was discussed. The following restrictions would apply: Must be a new racer (not raced in five years). Must buy a USSA license. No FWM membership fee. They must buy their own lift tickets. FWM member to receive free entry, also. **Annette** offered to design a coupon for our website that can be cut out for the \$25 so that members can distribute to their friends. Also discussed was putting our information out on ski area sites.

**Discussion on certifying officials**. Our officials must be certified for liability reasons. In the past, we have had people officiate who were not listed on USSA site. **Don** will follow up on this matter.

Race coordinators: Elizabeth will handle the north, Ingrid Mammoth.

**Giant Slalom:** USSA now has rules in place for single pole giant slalom. Marietta will email Skinner and ask what the Masters stand on this is. (*11/13 note: Marietta followed up with Skinner, and Masters has approved the use of single pole giant slalom*)

Discussion ended at 5 PM.

Thanks to Marietta for taking the notes in Sandy's absence!

Respectfully submitted: Sandy Hogan