



*Beat Hupfer, Chair
Far West ACC*

AGENDA FW ACC Meeting

1. Call Meeting to Order – Beat Hupfer, Chair
2. Roll Call of Voting Members
3. Guests roll call
4. Approve Minutes from 2.25.26
5. Review agenda/additions
6. FW Chair Report – Beat Hupfer
7. ACC Reports from sub committees
 - a. Divisional Office – Kayla
 - b. Age class reps
 - i. U10 - Kristen
 - ii. U12 - Carl
 - iii. U14 - Jim
 - iv. U16 - Lindsay
 - v. U18+ and Discretionary Committee – Keeler
 - vi. Tahoe Race Series – Kathy and Anne
 - vii. Academic Chair - Mats
 - viii. Athlete Reps –
Marco
Anastasia
 - ix. North rep - Branko
 - x. Central- Anna
 - xi. South - Doug
 - xii. Officials – Lucy
 - xiii. Coaches' education - TBD
 - xiv. Resort Rep – Devin
8. WR ACC Meeting Update – Beat, Mike, Lucy, Devin
9. Old Business
10. New Business



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- a. U14 Hard Charger
 - b. FW Pace Team/ FW Ski Team
 - c. ACC New Process – Timeline, Nomination committee procedure, etc.
 - d. Divisional Feedback on AO: Clinics, needs, certification questions, etc.
11. Next Meeting
 12. Adjourn-



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Far West Alpine Competition Committee

Meeting Date/Location Zoom 4.8.26
Motion Number A

U14 Hard Charger

Submitted by: Lindsay Dowd

Seconded: _____

Original Version/Language:

U14 Awards

Awarded 1st-5th place per race and overall standings/per gender.

For the individual overall season awards, U14 series races will be scored by age class using current "World Cup Points" (see *Rules Governing Far West Competitors Section of this document*). The results from the Championships shall be scored separately. All results from the scheduled series races (regardless of discipline) are used to calculate the series awards. A tie is broken by a racer's best GS "World Cup" score(s), moving to Slalom until the tie is broken. If conditions force the cancellation of a series race, the FWS ACC U14 subcommittee determines & publicizes any necessary changes in scoring.

New Proposal: U14 hard charger award per gender for each discipline contested at U14 divisional championship series. Hard charger award is designed to award the athlete that moves up the largest number of spots in each race (As long each discipline was contested prior to divisional championship events) Hard charger is only awarded to U14 at this event

Comments: Awarding the hard charger ONLY during divisional Championships ensures U14 athletes competing potentially had an opportunity to have scored US ski and snowboard points during the season. The majority of the field should be starting in point order.

Why: It seems that there is some desire to present a hard charger award at U14 series. the majority of the group does not have points established early in the season so Hard charger doesn't really work in regular season events. I think the proposal provides us with an opportunity to give the award and reward those that are committed to the regular season events. This race series reflects more of a U16 event in which hard charger awards are given. There may be some athletes that did not earn points through the year and will be starting with 999 randomized.

Vote: For yes Against Result



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Motion Number FW Pace team/FW Ski team B

Submitted by: Lindsay and Keeler

Seconded: _____

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FW Ski team Page 36 and FW Pace Team 37 of 2025-2026 FW Policies and Procedures

New Proposal: to review and re-work some criteria/ language so that athletes are applying and participating in both of these FW systems. In the hopes that we can encourage greater U18 and FIS athlete over lap in a few USSS events.

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THE PURPOSE OF THE ALPINE COMPETITION COMMITTEE

The FWS ACC is established and organized to support the goals of U.S. Ski & Snowboard, WR and the FWBOD in guiding FWS, and to establish operating rules, requirements, and activities within the FWS Alpine Competition Program.

FWS ACC Membership:

Chair (WR ACC Rep), Vice Chair, Secretary, U10 Chair, U12 Chair, U14 Chair, U16 Chair, U18/U21/Sr Chair, North Chair, Central Chair, South Chair, Officials Chair, 2 athlete representatives, plus the FW Administrator(non-voting)
Each member will hold a 4-year term. FWS ACC members may hold up to 2 consecutive terms in the same chair position.

Nomination process:

All member clubs of Far West Skiing, in good standing in the Far West Division and US Ski and Snowboard, will provide one representative, to be determined by their own club leadership, to sit on the nomination committee chair. This committee will convene every other year. The nominating committee will be co-chaired by a member of the FWBOD and FWS Administrator. The nominating committee will put forth nominations for the following Subcommittee Chairs of the FWS ACC and submit to FWBOD for approval.

U10 Chair* U12 Chair* U14 Chair* U16 Chair*
U18/21/SR Chair*

North Chair* Central Chair* South Chair* Officials Chair*

Nominations will also be accepted for the following positions, yet do not have a working group.

Secretary * Athlete Reps (2) *

Nomination Cycle:

Every 4 years: The nominations for specific categories are accepted every 4 years. The following will be nominated during the first cycle season (ex: season 2027, 2031, etc.) U10, U14, U18/21/SR, Central, 1 athlete rep, and Officials.

The following will be nominated during the second cycle (season 2029, 2033, etc.) U12, U16, 1 athlete rep, North, and South.



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Nomination of Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary

The above listed FWS ACC membership will vote in the following Executive positions from within the ACC Sub Committee Chairs. To be completed during the first cycle season.

FWS ACC Chair, which may not hold any other SC chair positions. This is a 4-year term.

FWS ACC Vice Chair, which may not hold another SC voting position. This is a 4-year term. The Vice Chair will succeed the Chair whenever the Chair is vacated or the end of the Chairmans term(s).

Far West ACC Membership is approved by the Far West Board of Directors.

Executive Committee of the FWS ACC

FWS Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, and one Athlete Representative.

FWS ACC Working Groups (non-voting)

Each Subcommittee Chair will name a working group of three to five members from different programs. These will be reported to the FWS ACC Chair and FWS Administrator.

Subcommittee chairs are responsible for submitting minutes from their Working Group meetings to the FWS ACC Chair and FWS Administrator for record keeping.

The Far West Administrator is to attend all FWS ACC meetings (not working groups), provide communication between FWS Member Clubs, ACC, and FWBOD. The FWS Administrator has no voting rights.

The FWS ACC has the responsibility of:

1. Update ongoing annual FWS Alpine Competition Programs
2. Review and incorporate FWBOD recommendations within operating plans
3. Implement and conduct FWS Alpine Competition Programs, within established

plans

4. Document FWS Alpine Competition Programs, within established plans.
5. Establish a competition schedule in coordination with the U.S. Ski & Snowboard and WR Schedules for the upcoming race season.



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