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NATIONAL ABILITY CENTER ANNOUNCES NEW CEO

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Park City, Utah — The board of directors of the National Ability Center proudly announces the selection of Park City resident Dale Schoon as the next Chief Executive Officer, effective July 14, 2008. Dale has been selected to replace founder and current CEO, Meeche White, who is stepping down in September after more than 23 years at the helm of the Ability Center.

The board of directors is pleased to have located Dale in its own backyard where he has spent the last nine years at the United States Ski and Snowboard Association. Since 2002, Dale has held the position of Associate Athletic Director where his responsibilities included operations, administrative management, financial and strategic planning. He successfully expanded a number of programs that have enhanced the exposure of the USSA. According to board members, Schoon's past experience with the USSA with his background in finance, personnel, administration and legal affairs, make him an excellent fit to lead the National Ability Center.

"Dale comes highly recommended and is a talented and proven leader," said Mark Gaylord, President of the National Ability Center. "He is the right person to lead the National Ability Center in its next phase of growth. He brings a wealth of experience and embodies the values that stand at the foundation of this incredible organization. We are lucky to have been able to locate such a strong talent so close to home."

Founder and current CEO Meeche White said, "We're very excited to welcome someone of Dale's caliber as my successor. He really takes the National Ability Center's mission to heart, and considering his sports related background and passion for our programs, he is a great candidate to build upon our strong foundation and lead the National Ability Center into the future."

Dale said he was, "overwhelmed by the confidence the board of directors showed in my selection, and it is an honor to have the opportunity to work with Meeche White and the incredible staff who have made the National Ability Center a national and international leader in adaptive sports."

The National Ability Center is committed to the development of lifetime skills for people of all ages and abilities by providing affordable outdoor sports and recreational experiences in a nurturing environment. As an international role model, the Center promotes the concept of ability through integration, public awareness and education. Founded in 1985, the staff has increased exponentially, and the range of opportunities has grown from one ski program to over 25,000 lessons for more than 8,000 participants in 2007.

Schoon will take over the day-to-day operations in mid-July, with White remaining involved on a consulting basis for the next several months to ensure a smooth and seamless transition. A reception to introduce Schoon to the organization and community will be held shortly after his arrival in July.