

MACC – MICHIGAN ALPINE COMPETITION COUNCIL - MEETING 10-20-08

Minutes of the in-person meeting at Merrill Lynch.

President Mike Jablonski called the meeting to order at 7:14 PM.

Attendance: Officers

Mike Jablonski – P	Shawn Hughes – P	Scott Tater - P	John Thomas – A	Steve Coatney - A
Mike Sayers – P	Debi Koltoniak - P	Jennifer Shorter - A	Kate Fitkin – P	Dan Costigan - P
Doug Fellman – P	Bill Perlmutter – A	Craig Mcleod – P	Ginnie Uhley – P	Dave Carrico – P

Attendance: Team Racer Representatives

Yas Miyawaki, AA - P	Mark Banning, PH - A	Peggy Konsza, SC – A	Dave Corcoran, SN - A
Bruce Johnson, GM – A	Paul Mooradian, R – A	Mark Arthers, PH - A	Ken McLaughlin, SW - A
Romelle Taylor, JD - A	Gary Konsza, SC - P	Gary Bloodworth, SN – A	Peggy McLaughlin, SW - A
John Stewart, SD – A	Mick Serafinski, TR – P	Mike Ault, T - P	Greg Glassco, SD - A
Holly Polopolos AA – P	Kate Fitkin T - P		

Others Present: Nick Koltoniak, significant other to Debi

Officers Reports:

President – Mike Jablonski

The schedule for the 2008 – 2009 season is posted on the Web. New at Boyne: The meadows chair is gone and a new chair in its place. The new chair extends further down the hill and has a magic carpet to load you so the chair moves faster than a normal chair, but not as fast as a detachable. We are not getting our new timing shack. With the bad economy, there was not enough money in the budget to do it. The Ski School however got a new building. Well not really new, as it was a building in Boyne City that they cut in pieces and reassembled at Boyne Mountain.

Finances – Scott Tater

Scott reported \$6100 balance to start the year. He has received the invoice for the locker and will pay. Because of the economy, Scott suggested that the race reps query their teams to get some idea of the number of racers that we might expect back this year. Let Scott know of any expenses that you can for see for the upcoming season.

Computer Software & Results – Steve Coatney

Not present, no report. Steve was out of town, but reported he did not have anything new. We are looking for a computer geek to help Steve or split up his job. A request for a volunteer and the general job description will be put in the newsletter.

Timing - Shawn Hughes

Things are looking ok for this season. Have talked to some of the timers from last year and many have said they will return. Typically need 6 – 8 new timers to start the year. This year with the declining economy, there may be fewer returning and so we may need additional new timers.

Web Site & Rules – Mike Sayers

With the poor economy, there is a very real chance that we will have a smaller number of racers this year. We typically have 5 courses, but should probably have a plan for 4 courses. Mike to work up a potential 4 course schedule and post it on the Web.

Last year we had some guest racers that raced several weekends, presumably to get out of working. There is nothing in the rules that prevents someone from guest racing more than one weekend. It was decided to leave the rules as they are, but encourage these people to sign up.

The schedule as posted has the start times running backwards from previous years. There was some discussion that this might be a little confusing for some. It was decided to leave the schedule as posted. Signage will be made up to alert everyone to the change.

Mike will post any training on the web that is sent to him.

Race Workers– Bill Perlmutter

Not present, no report: Bill would like the race reps to check with him on Sat morning regarding work assignments. He also plans on holding a quick meeting at the qualifier to discuss work assignments with the new racers.

Awards & Sponsors – John Thomas

Not present, no report. Everyone present was in agreement to use the same style of glass as last year except hi ball size. Need status of sponsors for the application. Mike to call John for confirmation.

Registration & Bibs – Ginnie Uhley

We have three people registered already. Will need some additional bibs. Fastest man and woman on the hill will retain the black bib. Will get another color for 2009 for last year's winner in each class. If the winner was upgraded then the second place finisher will get to wear the bib. The bib will stay in the class.

Equipment – David Carrico

We are all set on equipment. Could use a spare timer, but with cost around \$5000.00, it will have to wait. If anyone hears of a race program closing down, check to see if they have any available equipment. Dave has our old timer available for sale, if there is somebody who needs it.

Course Setting – Dan Costigan

They have some new gates out with bottle brush type bases that are designed to stay in the snow much better.. Bases are \$13.50 each and will fit on our existing gates. Dan to investigate further. Personnel numbers are ok, with a couple of new people. Will borrow the B-netting as required from Boyne. Will leave the 12:00 course up for practice when we have an open 2:00 slot.

Course Operations – Craig McLeod & Ted Jablonski

Will be sending a E-mail to last year's group. Usually have 10 to 20% turnover. With the GSPS club not returning , we will have more spots to fill. No equipment requirements. It is planned to make better use of hand held radios this year. Going to a 4 race-course program would be a great help to the course workers.

Publicity & Recruitment – Debi Koltoniak

Some changes will be made to the applications. Will be sending out the \$5 discount certificates to the T-Bird and Ann Arbor ski clubs for winning last years recruitment contest.

Newsletter – Jennifer Shorter

Not present, no report. Jennifer would like to step down from the newsletter. If you know of anybody interested in doing it, let Mike know.

Correspondence – Doug Fellman

Old Business: None

New Business: Question was raised about E 1 men always being last on the course and if this could be rotated around. There was some discussion, with no real solution. It was left as is. Suggestion was made to move E 1 women off this course, no one volunteered to take this on.

A suggestion was made to determine if Boyne would supply the materials and permit MACC volunteers to build the new timing building. Mike would check with Boyne.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:23 PM.

Next meeting will be a call in on November 17, at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Doug Fellman Secretary