

MACC – MICHIGAN ALPINE COMPETITION COUNCIL - MEETING 11-02-09

Minutes of the in person meeting at Merrill Lynch.

President Mike Jablonski called the meeting to order at 7:13 PM.

Attendance: Officers

Mike Jablonski – P	Shawn Hughes – P	Scott Tater - P	John Thomas – P	Steve Coatney - A
Mike Sayers – P	Debi Koltoniak - A	Andrew Halinen – A	Ted Jablonski– A	Dan Costigan - P
Doug Fellman – P	Bill Perlmutter –A	Craig Mcleod – A	Ginnie Uhley – P	Dave Carrico – A
Denise Miller – A				

Attendance: Team Racer Representatives

Yas Miyawaki, AA - P	Mark Banninger, PH - A	Peggy Konsza, SC – A	Dave Corcoran, SN - A
Bruce Johnson, GM – A	Paul Mooradian, R – A	Mark Arthers, PH - A	Chip Dayton, SW - P
Romelle Taylor, JD - A	Gary Konsza, SC - P	Gary Bloodworth, SN – A	Andy Kerbrat, SW - P
Rob Reader – P	Mick Serafinski, TR – P	Mike Ault, T - P	Greg Glassco, SD - A
Holly Polopolos AA – A	Kate Fitkin T – P	Diane Clark SW - A	

Others in Attendance: Patty Costigan

Officers Reports:

President – Mike Jablonski

The 2009-10 schedule is set Jan 9,10; 23,24, Feb 5,6,7, 20,21, March 5,6,7. Our numbers were down last year and could go down some this year with the economy.

Dan Costigan made a presentation at the High School coaches meeting this year. Hopefully some of the students that want to continue racing after graduation will come out and race with us. Some of the coaches might also. Debi put the presentation together for Dan.

Additional race dates; Boyne Highlands was not very receptive of the idea and only offered up one day in late January and the use of only half of the Challenger slope. Nubs Nob already has a full calendar. Will not pursue this any further.

New race timing shack will not be built this year. Cost of materials will run approximately \$15,000 to \$20,000 and Boyne could not fit this into their budget this year. Will continue to pursue this, possibly next year.

Boyne has formed a Skier Council and Mike was asked to be a part of it.

Vice President – Denise Miller

Not present, no report. Denise will continue on with the same duties and head up the banquet committee.

Finances – Scott Tater

We have approximately \$4900 in our account. Scott needs to know any spending projections for the coming year. Steve Coatney is projecting about \$900.00 for stationery supplies, key for software, and repair to a damaged laptop screen.

Computer Software & Results – Steve Coatney

Not present, no report other than financial information noted above.

Timing - Shawn Hughes

Good shape, hopefully there will be enough returning timers and if not, we will recruit more.

Web Site & Rules – Mike Sayers

We went through a lot of rule changes, some significant and controversial.

Race setup:

2.2.6 and 2.3.6 wording was added to strongly recommend that all competitors and forerunners wear helmets.

Mike S. made a motion to add this wording; Gary Konsza seconded; motion passed, 9yeas, no nay.

Section 5 Race Procedures; there were some typos fixed and clarifications made.

Section 7. Racer Classification

Mike S. made a motion to combine VAW and AW. Kate seconded. Motion passed; 6 yeas, 3 nays.

Mike S. made a motion to combine B Men with VBM. Kate seconded. Motion passed; 9 yeas, no nays.

Mike S. made a motion to combine D men and SVDM. Kate seconded. Motion passed; 7 yeas, 2 nays.

Mike S. made a motion to change table 7.14 on the age for Super Vet from 50 and over to 60 and over. We would grandfather in any one 56 and older who had been in the class for at least one year. Kate seconded. The motion passed; 8 yeas, 1 nay.

Section 10 World Cup

10.1.1 Mike S. made a motion to add a tiebreaker for the World Cup Awards. The handicap for slalom and GS would be summed with the higher award going to the racer with the lower handicap sum. Kate seconded. Motion passed; 9 yeas, no nays.

10.2.3 Mike S. made a motion to allow the board to exclude certain races from the World Cup totals. These exclusions must be made prior to the start of the season. Kate seconded. Motion passed; 8 yeas, 1 nay.

Appendix (Handicap Calculations)

A.9 Mike S. made a motion that the Board be able to designate that handicaps from specific races be excluded from racer averages. These races must be designated prior to the start of the season. Rob Reader seconded Motion passed 9 yeas 0 nays

Mike S. made a motion to eliminate the SGS from the handicap calculations. Kate seconded passed 9 yeas no nays

Section 11 Team Awards

Mike S. made a motion to drop the lowest placing racers each day from team points, using a 2/3 ratio. Rob Reader seconded. Motion passed; 8 yeas, 1 nay.

There was another rule change that was suggested and that was to drop 3 team races. This would allow a team that does poorly at Searchmont to drop all those races from team point calculations. After much discussion, this was not made into a motion, as it was felt that trying first proposal for a year would be the best process.

Gary Konza then presented his proposal for a rule change for a mandatory mass slip before the start of the race and before the start of the second run. After much discussion, it was decided to not make this a motion and to better educate the COC's. Craig, Gary and Dan to discuss by e-mail or phone on how to best implement this process improvement.

Race Workers– Bill Perlmutter

Not present, no report. Mike J reported that Bill has indicated we may need to have race reps do a work assignment this year due to a shortage of workers.

Awards & Sponsors – John Thomas

John had an example of 3 glasses to choose from for awards. Pictures were passed around and voted on by those present. Glass "B" was selected. Because of the large amount spent on awards last year and on our current financial situation, it was decided to cut back this year. Last year expenditures for awards breaks down like this: \$2800 for World Cup, \$2400 for daily award glasses, \$720 for thermoses for Cantor Cup and \$645 for wine decanters for the Cantor Cup for a total of \$6565 for awards. It was decided to go ahead with the glasses, but cut back on the number for 2nd and 3rd place, because we always have awards left over in these places. Mike to get with J.T. regarding the final daily award count. Less costly World Cup and Cantor Cup awards will also be selected this season.

Registration & Bibs – Ginnie Uhley

We have approximately 30 bibs left for this year. We normally need to get the order for new bibs in before Thanksgiving, but because we are not ordering all new bibs we can wait till Dec 1. Motion was made by Rob Reader to increase the late fee to \$20 after the registration deadline (Dec 4th). Mike S. seconded; 6 yeas, 3 nays. Motion passed. We also need to get the registration forms updated and on the website. Mike J to get with Debi to update forms.

Equipment – David Carrico

Not present; no report. No issues. Mick reported that Dave is all set and that he does not expect any expenditures this coming season.

Course Setting – Dan Costigan

Dan will be down 3 course setters this year. He is looking for help. He is also looking at single pole usage in the slalom. He will watch how it goes in other groups that are trying it and may try it for us later in the season. Need to get the gates currently stored in the Othmar moved to the top of the hill. Mike J. to check with Boyne to determine if the lock for the storage closet has been repaired.

Course Operations – Craig McLeod & Ted Jablonski

Not present; no report. Need to have COC's educated on their job responsibilities and authority. Also need to make the on-line registration system mandatory for course workers and to recruit additional workers to fill all needed positions and to have back-up personnel available.

Publicity & Recruitment – Debi Koltoniak

Not present; no report. Debi put together the presentation that Dan gave at the Coaches meeting. Also need the registration form updated for 2010.

Announcers – Kate Fitkin

Everything is great.

Newsletter – Andrew Halinen

Andrew was not present. The rule changes need to be communicated to the racers in the first newsletter.

Correspondence – Doug Fellman

Old Business: None

New Business: None

The meeting was adjourned 10:30 PM

Next meeting will be a call in meeting November 16, 2009

Respectfully submitted,

Doug Fellman, Secretary