

MACC – MICHIGAN ALPINE COMPETITION COUNCIL – SPECIAL CALL-IN MEETING 11-13-2019

Minutes of the meeting:

Alex Carrico called the meeting to order at 8:36 PM.

Attendance – Officers:

Gary Bloodworth – P	Shawn Hughes – P	Steve Coatney – P	Mike Hietbrink – A	Jeanette Uhley – A
Mike Sayers – P	Debi Koltoniak – P	Zach Jablonski – A	Drew Hilger – P	Bill Perlmutter – A
Ginnie Uhley – P	Dave Carrico – A	Lou Oles – A	Alex Carrico – P	Jason Kanakry – A
Kermit Anderson – A	Ryan Bloodworth – P	Kathy Bauer – A	Dennis Parrott – A	Renee Churette – A

Attendance – Team Racer Representatives:

Chip Dayton SW – P	Denise Miller TR – A	Alan Osterdale AA – A	Scott Pyles RN – P	Chuck White - P
Alfred Cureau JD – P	Gary Konsza SD – P	Mike Jablonski TB – P	Pat Groves TO – P	
Rob Reader SD – P	Mick Serafinski TR – P	Holly Polopolos AA – A	Sue Holmes RN – A	

General Updates – Alex Carrico – This meeting is being called to make some decisions that were presented at the first meeting. In addition, we will review and approve the minutes from the first meeting. Steve adds that the minutes incorrectly captured the costs for the new computers. The cost would be about \$2,000 for the new computers and software. We might be able to get by without new computers, but it would still be around \$1,200 for software/updates. Alex asks for a motion to approve the minutes with Steve's updates. Rob motions, Mick seconds. Motion passes.

Due to budget issues, it will be tough for MACC to pay for shirts this year. Alex proposes that we make it an option for racers to buy shirts, possibly through an apparel store. Alex spoke to the vendor that supplied the shirts last year, and they would be able to setup a website for the first month of the season. This would allow everyone to purchase various items over that time, which would then be processed and provided to MACC in bulk at the end of the month. Debi adds that the store is a good idea, especially if they can supply other options, like long sleeve vs short sleeve shirts. Mike Jablonski says that if the store doesn't cost us anything to setup, then it's a good idea. Someone asked if this will make money for MACC. Alex says it will depend on the item but should be a few dollars per item. A majority of the reps agree on the online apparel store, so Alex will talk to the vendor.

Up next is holding a raffle for larger items at the banquet. The admission ticket for the banquet would qualify you for the smaller items, but the larger items would require an additional raffle ticket purchase. Steve, Gary B, Gary K, Ginnie, Debi, and Pat all agree with the raffle. Mike Jablonski agrees, as long as we clear it with suppliers, so we aren't profiting off of their donations without them knowing. Mike also thinks we should make it clear to the racers that this money is needed to update our timing system. Chip disagrees, would like to see if the apparel sales are enough to raise additional income. A majority of the reps agree with the raffle, so the motion passes. Alex adds that with passing both of these, we will be able to keep dues where they were last year, and the racing application should be up by this weekend.

Jeannette isn't here for registration updates, so next is the website. We discussed two directions with our website at the last meeting. Either Dennis making a new website or updating our current site. Dennis' new site needs a lot more work, but before he continues his work, we want to get input from the reps. Dennis' site would not be ready for this season but should be ready for next season if we decide to pursue it. If approved, Dennis will reach out to each director to figure out what is needed. Steve agrees that we should all work together to improve our web presence, but passes on voting, as he is torn as to which direction to take. Gary B, Chip, Rob, Gary K, Ginnie, and Mike Jablonksi all vote for Dennis. Mick, Pat, and Debi support updating the current site. The majority of the votes are for Dennis making a new site. Alex adds that Dennis will continue to work on the site and we will check in on it again later.

Web presence update from Jason: Instagram is up and running, about 10-12 photos have been posted. A facebook page has also been created, which has about 20 followers. Alex clarifies that Debi created a facebook group, but Jason created a facebook page. Facebook uses groups are a community forum, where a page is all content curated by MACC admins. We will post photos, updates, etc. there.

Mike Jablonski added that he talked to Mark Skop about the shacks. Boyne is making updates to the shacks, including cleaning them and fixing them up. They will also be putting new glass in the north shack at the bottom of the hill.

Rule Change Proposals – Drew Hilger – First proposal is an adjustment to the work exemption age. Mike motions, Rob seconds. Gary is opposed, but the motion still passes.

Second proposal is to allow hiking in the GS, but not the super G. Chip motions, Mike seconds. Debi is opposed, but the motion still passes.

Third proposal is to create a director of handicap and statistics. Mike motions, Debi seconds. None opposed, motion passes.

The fourth proposal is to rewrite the rules to match our current super G practice. Someone asked how this will affect the Cantor Cup. Drew said it won't affect the Cantor Cup at all, as that is a super combined, which we handle different than a super G. Chip motions, Gary K seconds. Motion Passes.

Fifth proposal is to add that photos/videos will not be used to challenge DNFs. This is already our practice, we are just adding the rule to fit our practice. Rob motions, Ginnie seconds. Motion passes.

Sixth rule change is simply to clarify the original rule and make it clear that you can't earn more than 25 points or less than 0 points. Chip motions, Mick seconds. None opposed, motion passes.

Seventh proposal outlines the special awards we give out at the end of the season. Steve points out that the new rule for 9.3.1 as written doesn't exactly follow our current practice. Steve and Mike worked out the current practice years ago, which allows for some subjective discretion in picking the best new racer. This allows us to avoid giving the award to a racer for various reasons, like not showing up for most of the races. Drew proposes that we change the end of the rule so that participation and class standing can be considered when choosing the best new racers. Someone asked if 9.3.2 requires 10 races each year. No, just 10 finishes, enough to get a solid handicap. It's also weighted, so going from 30 to 25 is better than going from 100 to 95. There was some more general discussion on the rule, before Alex added that the rule is fairly vague, which allows us to use whatever formula we want. The key is that the intent of rule states that you need a minimum number of finished runs to be considered for the award. Motion to accept the changes to rule 9.3.3. Mike motions, Rob seconds. None opposed, rule 9.3.3 passes. Drew will change rule 9.3.2 to include the formula used to define the amount of improvement. Mick motions and Mike seconds. Nobody opposed, motion passes. Motion to accept 9.3.1 is made by Steve, Gary K seconds. Nobody opposed, motion passes.

Proposal eight requires teams to designate their voting reps (and alternatives) at the beginning of the season. Rob motions, Ginnie seconds. None opposed, motion passes. Drew adds that our next call will be Jan 8th, so reps will need to be submitted before then.

Chuck asks if we will be voting to fill the newly created director of handicap and statistics. Alex proposes that we make Chuck the new director of handicap and statistics. Someone asked if this would be a full time position. Chuck says that he likes his current job, and he wouldn't mind continuing to it. Some discussion occurs about whether this job justifies a full time work position. Debi points out, and Drew confirms, that we already voted on this being a director position, which means it counts as a work assignment. Drew adds that we are currently just voting to appoint Chuck to the position. Mike nominates Chuck, Ginnie seconds. Nobody is opposed, the motion passes.

Debi motions to adjourn, Ginnie seconds. Meeting adjourned at 9:47pm.

Next meeting will be a call-in meeting on Jan 8th.

Respectfully submitted by Ryan Bloodworth, Secretary.