

MACC – MICHIGAN ALPINE COMPETITION COUNCIL – CALL-IN MEETING 5-3-2022

Minutes of the meeting:

Alex Carrico called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

Attendance – Officers:

Alex Carrico – P	Drew Hilger – P	Ginnie Uhley – P	Mike Hietbrink – P	Ryan Bloodworth – P
Shawn Hughes – P	Steve Coatney – A	Mike Sayers – P	Kermit Anderson – P	Dave Carrico – P
Grace Kerbrat – A	Bill Perlmutter – A	Dennis Parrott – P	Zach Jablonski – A	Debi Koltoniak – P
Chuck White – P	Jenessa Hilger – P			

Attendance – Team Racer Representatives:

Alan Osterdale AA – P	Foster Butler JD – P	Gary Bloodworth – A	Chip Dayton SW – P	Gary Konsza SD – A
Rick Van Houdt TR – P	Mike Jablonski TB – A	Sue Holmes RN – P	Denise Miller TR – A	Kathy Bauer TR – A

General Updates – Alex Carrico – Ginnie motions to approve the minutes from the last meeting, Alan seconds. Minutes approved.

The 2022 season went pretty well overall, despite having to cancel the first weekend. Glad we got the banquet back, it went ran smoothly and raised quite a bit of money for MACC. After working on the raffle for 3 years, it was great to see it work.

2023 Schedule – The dates follow the same format as this year. No back-to-back weekends, but there is one gap of two weekends. These dates are approved by Boyne already. Alan motions to approve proposed dates, Ginnie seconds. Motion passes, dates approved. Mike can post dates on website, without listing any specific course/class info. Debi and Grace can post dates as well.

Summer Priorities – Biggest summer priority is getting some quotes for a new timer. Other than that, each director will be able to set their own projects, and they will talk about those later tonight.

Updates – Drew Hilger – We had a great season, really appreciate all the work everyone put in. We need to continue to work, especially on getting new racers.

Finances – Mike Hietbrink – \$14,012 in the bank. This year, we made about \$4,800; largely due to the raffle. We do have to file taxes every year, but that's fairly painless. Alex will be submitting a receipt for USPS, as we will be mailing trophies from last season. We are now listed as a charity, so writing off labor should now be possible. Follow up if you need more info. Debi asked what raffle proceeds were, Mike said \$2,662.

Registration – Ginnie Uhley – Thank you to Dennis for getting online registration setup, it has made things much easier. Thank you. Ended up with 109 racers this year. Ginnie presented data on the breakdown of racers on each course, attendance each weekend, along with the numbers by each course, by each team, and by each class. Chuck will send a copy to Ryan to send out to everyone. Alex – Thank you Chuck and Ginnie putting everything together. Ginnie – The idea for next year is to consider getting new bibs. Plan for the summer is to get some quotes for new bibs, and present in the fall. Alex – Just a reminder that when we issue new bibs, we will need to consider that in registration fee.

Handicaps and Statistics – Chuck White – Some preliminary analysis to go over really quick. Will do a deep dive over the summer, but for right now, did a quick comparison of GS vs slalom handicaps. Overall, we look pretty good, in every case (overall season, each weekend, etc.) they are fairly balanced. To echo Ginnie a little bit, looking at the class sizes, we are pretty bottom heavy, we have a lot of fast racers. We may need to look at splitting up some of the top classes, but Chuck will do a deeper analysis over the summer and will present more in the fall.

Course Operations – Dennis Parrott – For the season review, course ops performed reasonably well. There are some areas to improve, but it's a short list. Team is strong, but thin. A couple injuries could have a big impact on team. Directors were supposed to find backups for their jobs, and we found a couple. Will have to follow up with them over the summer. Will look into new gate judge bibs over the summer, both from a visibility and a utility standpoint. If we don't find one, Jeannette Milne has offered to help modify them. Some reports of radios acting up, which we will look into. Over the summer we will work on a ride along program to help train people. Also looking at a communication plan to make sure gate judges are all on the same page. At the end of the season, someone mentioned that we should also work on making sure everyone knows what proper

slipping looks like. Would also like to say that the last 6 years have been the best 6 years of mine in MACC. Alex – Thank you, we appreciate all your help. And you will be in great hands with Drew.

Course Officials – Jenessa Hilger – Nothing to report. We will be working a slipping video and will continue to produce educational materials on rules.

Course Setting – Kermit Anderson – Overall things went pretty well. Got some good comments on the courses. Will continue to try to get more people setting courses. Otherwise, don't really need anything for next season.

Equipment – Dave Carrico – Not much to report. Grooming Grant to be a backup/replacement. Don't know of any other timers that will work with split second timer but will ask around to see if we can find anything. Alex – Ok, so the quote you have will cover that, but we will talk about it in the fall meeting. If you can email the quote to Drew and Mike, you can discuss it over the summer. If there are no other companies, then the one quote will be it. Drew – Any idea what the lead time is? Dave – Should be in stock, may be some slight price change in the fall. Quote also includes a new LED display, which should be much easier to see. Alex – Will email quote to Ryan to send out. But basically, it looks like we are looking at around \$6,000 for everything.

Timing – Shawn Hughes – Been keeping documentation for years, so handing over day-to-day operations would be pretty easy. On the e-newsletter, we had a couple issues last month with Debi's login. We may need to look into a couple of alternate options over the summer. On the timing front, we did OK this year. Missed a lot due to injuries, but plan on being back full-time next year.

Race workers – Bill Perlmutter – Not present.

Computers – Steve Coatney – Not present.

Awards – Zach Jablonski – Not present.

Publicity – Debi Koltoniak – Grace did a fantastic job with social media this year. A lot of people really appreciated the photos of the results and them being posted on Facebook. This year we should do a few more casual videos to post on social media. Also wanted to thank Drew for all the rules interviews. We do need to update our banner (the sign on the Othmar railing) it's not a big cost, probably around 40 bucks. Will send out an e-news which will include the proceeds from the raffle, the 2023 schedule, and the registration numbers. We need to keep improving our numbers, so we will keep active over the summer to keep recruiting. Alex – Thank you to both you and Grace for all the social media posts, we have gotten great feedback.

Webmaster – Mike Sayers – Put the new dates on the schedule page, also got the minutes from the last meeting. Nothing else has changed since early March.

Alex Carrico – Would like to officially nominate Drew Hilger to take over for the next season. Very sad to step down, it was a great three years, but ready to take a step back and just race. Mike Sayers motions, Alan seconds. Nobody opposed, motion passes; Drew is officially new president. In the fall, Drew will nominate a vice president.

Thanks everyone and have a good evening!

Meeting adjourned at 8:17 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Ryan Bloodworth, Secretary.