

MACC – MICHIGAN ALPINE COMPETITION COUNCIL – CALL-IN MEETING 1-17-2024

Minutes of the meeting:

Drew Hilger called the meeting to order at 8:30 PM.

Attendance – Officers:

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

Attendance – Team Racer Representatives:

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

General Updates – Drew Hilger – Questions about the minutes from the last meeting? Motion to approve minutes from January 3rd from Dennis, Ginnie seconds. Nobody opposed, minutes are approved carries.

Updates from Boyne – Unfortunately, they do not have enough snow to set gates from top to bottom. There was also an issue with the drive motor on Boyneland, so the motor from Superbowl was moved to Boyneland. We will not be able to race this weekend.

In the past, when we missed races, we tried to work in some extra runs as conditions permit. We could start with a timed practice run, then roll into timed race runs. This will let us work out some bugs with timing, while also giving everyone some extra timed runs. We could do the same thing on Sunday with Super G. Kurt – Would that all be on the same course? Drew – Yeah, as conditions allow of course.

Grace – With Boyne having snow issues, have we explored going somewhere else, like the Highlands? Drew – They have a race there on Saturday, and they are limited on terrain as well. The run we have talked about using before isn't even open right now. Dennis – Not even sure if two weeks would be enough notice to change venues. Drew – Drafted some wording around the cancelling of the races. We don't want bad publicity for us or Boyne, so we want to be careful with the wording. Shawn will update the website, and social media will need to be updated as well.

Grace – With the snow issues we have had over the last few years, would it be possible to start the season later next year? Drew – We have had issues the last couple years with the first weekend, but scheduling around it is tough. We have to plan around the holidays, back-to-back weekends, etc. And as far as moving venues, a lot of other venues also don't have snow or race runs. Grace – Should we poll our racers on what they are willing to do? Back-to-back weekends? Travelling? Drew – I think that's a good idea, for a survey, we can put out a lot of options, even if they might not be 100% feasible. Dennis – Maybe a five-weekend schedule isn't even ideal anymore. It may make more sense to scale it down. Drew – Unfortunately, scaling back doesn't really affect the cost of racing much, which people may not like.

We don't need to do the whole agenda, but if anyone has anything, speak up.

Dennis – Was disappointed that we only had six guys from course 1 to work. When we see that it worries me quite a bit. Mike – Dennis, are you the one on the PayPal account? 1222 number? It has multi-factor authentication turned on. Dennis – Give me a call right after the meeting and we will figure it out. Drew – Mike, have you started the process for the raffle? Mike – Yeah, took care of the insurance today as well.

Motion from Dennis to end meeting, Ginnie seconds. Meeting adjourned at 8:55 PM. Next meeting will be January 31st.

Respectfully submitted by Ryan Bloodworth, Secretary.