

ACA Board Meeting Minutes  
March 21, 2011

In Attendance: Bill Barr, Clint Bickmore, David Newcomer, Lynn Taylor, Kayla Thomason, Carol Kauder, Tim Lynch

ACA Staff: Yvonne van Gent, Bruce Whitesel, Chris McGee

Minutes taken by Carol Kauder.

Motion to approve the minutes from last month's meeting, minutes approved

New changes to accounting, will make the books more user-friends  
Financials to be reorganized into three accounts: operating, capital and juniors

Because the current ACA credit cards need to be personally backed by the holder, Chris will look into options for discontinuing credit card use in favor of debit cards, to be issued to him and Yvonne. There's no reason why ACA would need to rely on the revolving credit and debit would simplify the issue.

Timing system: meeting with reps from Times 7, including new local contact in Colorado Springs. Currently missing the way that the camera and the way the cameras interact with software. Backup plan is in place, what we've done in the past.

With the new timing system, should the ACA purchase a generator to include as part of the race kit? Races in general will need back-up until we have a level of confidence in the chip system. Reported problems are often related to power problems.

Discussion on chip placement:

Forks are more susceptible in crashing, that's why they've gone away from the fork  
The other reason is with the chip on the front of the head tube, both cameras from side and below will see it. Chip has a rubber backing and should not affect the bike frame.  
Easier to visually see that people have it, also can be seen in a photo finish  
Part of the process is to bug it out initially, make it visual, perhaps it will move at some point

Rental chips:

Need approximately 600 rental chips for Mt Evans  
What will be the ACA investment in rental chips?  
Most will get sold to cross racers

Lynn reviews officials meeting agenda for this weekend  
20% increase in race days, 10% decrease in the number of officials  
looking into insurance for officials  
discussion on what came out of USAC officials summit

now a way for local officials that may want to go beyond ACA officiating to move on to national events

Chris suggests adjusting the BAR/BAT approval process to formally include Tech Committee recommendations to the board, and the board considers them as a part of the approval process (already happens informally, would streamline that process and make it official)

Furthermore – formalize the TC structure, have officers, post minutes, etc.?

Discussion – seems like that creates too much of a burden on the TC

Cherry Creek: registration back-up plan on second try was to have big paper sign-up on wall.

We do have a start list, three number pick-up events, hopefully will lesson the load on the first race day

Still ten spots left, with 490 participants (including juniors)

Junior update:

Deposit has been paid to Easter Seals Camp for junior road camp

Trying to get a sponsor to off-set expense

May 14-15<sup>th</sup>

Looking to add info to website aimed at new-to-cycling juniors

Junior stage race in Golden

Mini Classic in Silt – TT, crit, RR, changed from previous stage race format to omnium format – June 4-5

ACA Junior Programs: First bike program, juniors ride free, camps, mini classic

To start applying for grant money for junior programs, we need to have audited financials and annual report, conversations to have down the road with ACA accountant

First line approach: companies who would be in a position to sponsor based on non-profit status, less stringent need for financial documentation

Junior state RR? Not one pinned down yet

Salida is no longer an omnium – three separate events

Friday TT and Sunday RR are BAR/BAT

Officials recognition – importance of ACA knowing who our officials are and what they do. Officials are a key component of how our membership experiences a race

How do we work on appreciation and recognition of our officials?

Bios on web site

Official of the year – board will pick official who represents ACA officiating

USAC working on similar issues

New committees:

BAR/BAT overhaul committee – more to highlight best courses, best promoters

Cross Committee – came out of cross-promoters meeting -- working on day-of schedule, working on categories of widely varying speed and category combos of widely varying speeds

Upcoming events:  
Cherry Creek number pick up events  
Officials meeting  
Crits April 2-3

Meeting adjourned