

ACA Minutes
BOD Meeting 10/18/2011

Directors Present: Bill Barr, Clint Bickmore, Tim Lynch, Leigh Singleton, Carol Kauder, David Newcomer, Lynn Taylor, Kayla Thomason, Chad Burns

Staff Present: Chris McGee, Yvonne Van Gent

Other members present: Steve Birnbaum

Minutes by David Newcomer

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Review of minutes and discussion: Motion to approve minutes from prior meeting: Lynn Taylor, seconded by David Newcomer
Unanimous approval

Review of Financials and discussion: Motion to approve financials as presented: Tim Lynch, seconded by Leigh Singleton
Unanimous approval

Timing System Update: Doug Ashbaugh continues to make great progress with the system. Consistent results at Monarch CX. 200 preregistered. Issues with use of Rental chips by race crew. The poor/slow transfer of information from day of registration to the timing company continues to plague the effectiveness of the timing system.

Power and antenna issues are resolved. Tremendous improvement with use of battery power vs. generator. Not getting support from Times 7 as needed. Lap times published for racers at Monarch are good. Clint helped with last week's data.

Met with Al McDonald – renewed involvement with ACA events. Extensive experience with variety of timing systems and fluent in French. Met with Doug and working to extend the usage of the system.

Tech Committee Meeting: Road evaluations are complete. Starting with CX evaluations. Reviewed Frisco course on 303cycling.com. Discussion on results and treatment of DNF riders for cross results on crossresults.com.

Placement of chips on bikes is still an issue. CR has a sheet for bad or missing chips to communicate back to riders.

Push for online registration. TC had a few questions concerning financial matters. Resolved.

Guest Speaker: Steve Birnbaum

Mr. Birnbaum asked to attend and speak about valuing the ACA appropriately in light of our consideration of rejoining the USAC as a Local Association. Mr. Birnbaum is a racer, member of the mix1 cycling team with over 30 years of racing experience, 9 years in Colorado.

Personal Observations:

- Those opposed to reconciliation concerned about the level of service the ACA would be able to provide as an LA of the USAC.
- (current) Prize lists are horrible
- Everything else the ACA does is great
- One-half to three-quarters of membership seem interested in reconciliation with USAC

In order to do maintain our current level of service, Mr. Birnbaum proposed the following:

- Present USAC with a dollar amount valuation of the ACA including:
 - Member licenses
 - Jr. development program
 - Race Kit
 - Timing System
 - Value of other systems in place within the ACA that manage the Colorado cycling events currently sanctioned
- What is the price of the acquisition?

- Can this purchase price be agreed upon and paid over a 10-year period to assist with providing the services offered by the ACA today? Increases in the LA fee could be gradually introduced over this time period to meet the demand at the end of the agreement.

Mr. Birbaum offered his assistance in conducting this valuation.

A discussion with the Board included the following points:

- Reintegration of a “renegade” group would be a welcome resolution for USAC.
- Year to year agreement with USAC means the ACA should be prepared to resume operations in the current structure if the need arises. Careful management of the current assets is essential to long-term success
- ACA maintains a professional staff of paid employees and as such differs significantly with other organizations throughout the country serving as LA’s.
- Issues to consider with permitting, upgrading, level of officials in current structure, shift to a regional coordinator.

USAC Developments:

Reciprocity would not continue if ACA remains an independent organization

Dual Sanctioned events will not occur if ACA remains an independent organization.

Discussed other areas of impact with promoters, competing Local Association in Colorado, Prize Lists under USAC, Insurance, Jr. Development Program, ACA Programs and Bylaws and Governance.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50