

New York State Bicycle Racing Association Board of Director's Quarterly Meeting

8pm-, 15June, 2011

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Attendees:

Jeff Poulin, Todd Scheske Andrew Ross, Rod Millot, Nancy Robertson,

Absent:

Dieter Drake, Brian Klotz, Eric Ragot, Myles Romanow, Gary Toth (permit coordinator)

1. **President's Report** (Jeff Poulin)
 - a. USAC LA Summit, CO Springs, 4-6Nov11. NYSBRA will be represented by Andrew Ross. Responsibilities include soliciting input from NYSBRA prior to leaving and reporting back faithfully during/after the summit.
2. **Vice President's Report** (Andrew Ross)
 - a. Upgrades: NYSBRA approved about 300 upgrades, rejecting about 39% (higher than it should be) but mostly due to race results not being present in the USAC database. Riders need to insist that promoters submit results to USAC. The other reason is riders don't understand the upgrade requirements; riders should consult the videos prepared by Andrew on the NYSBRA website.
 - b. Time to process upgrades: NYSBRA seeks to process upgrades in 3-7 days; and no more than 2 weeks. The number of upgrade requests exceeding 7 days is very low (currently only 5). Help is available for Regional Reps not able to meet these expectations.
3. **Treasurers Report** (Rod Millott)
 - a. Rod publishes the detailed check book and financial statement monthly.
 - b. NYSBRA has ~\$50k in the bank. The pick up in grant applications will start eating into it. NYSBRA goal is to issue the entire amount of our mission budget in grants every year.
 - c. RPI has not claimed their \$500 collegiate grant yet; Jeff sent RPI a query.
 - d. With the cancelation of the Junior Championship Weekend, the board agreed to put the \$500 earmarked for the event back into the Mission Budget.
4. **Secretary's Report** (Nance Robertson)
 - a. Email to all NY riders: Nance will draft an email advertising who we are, grant program, etc. for review by the board. Upon board approval, Nance will send an email to all ~2000 NY riders
 - b. Junior email: Nance will also draft a targeted email to juniors, with emphasis on the junior grants.
5. **Web Site** <http://www.nysbra.com> (Nancy Robertson/Andrew Ross)
 - a. Crit champs: Nance will request last weekend's crit publicity and publish for the web site.
 - b. Official's Names on NYSBRA web site. We had a complaint from a CT official and a NY official, who didn't want their detailed data publicized. We ended up deleting the list and avoiding future complaints. This means people looking for officials have to use the USAC database (requires userid and pw, available to promoters).
 - c. Tweets: Anyone can subscribe to NYSBRA on Twitter. Nance does not do special tweets; rather, the website automatically generates a tweet when she adds a news post.
6. **Regional USAC Technical Committee Rep Report** (Todd Scheske)
 - a. Official's Evaluations: USAC tech committee seeks to conduct regular evaluations of officials to get a feel for the good, better, and best.

- b. Official clinics:
 - i. One held in NYC (thanks to Rod Millot, Alan Atwood)
 - ii. Official's Clinic to be held (action from Mar mtg for Todd to set up in WNY): Todd will set up in fall or winter when we aren't riding and racing.
 - iii. Hold one per region per year (responsibility of regional rep)? Todd will start nagging board members for interest in their region.
 - iv. Idea: Combine with a big race to get participants and immediate experience (so the new official gets \$50 the next day)?
 - c. Regular reports: Jeff asked Todd to advertise the USAC Tech committee activities to ny races on a regular basis.
7. **Permit Coordinator Report** (Gary Toth)
- a. Not present.
8. **Grant Program** (Jeff Poulin)
- a. Considerations for approval of grants are posted on the web site.
 - b. Approvals- A reminder that I recommend full board votes on Mission Grants as they are more diverse and often more money, but for efficiency and quick response to continue the 3/4 officer approval (with cc to the board) for junior and targeted grants, which tend to smaller and more clear-cut.
 - c. Applications must be submitted to nysbragrants@gmail.com. Please do not submit applications directly to the board; in the future they will be returned.
 - d. Mission grants- status to date sent to board in advance of meeting.
 - i. Board agreed to support Scheske Junior camp not in aggregate (\$2500) but rather paid directly to individual juniors (at \$250 each) based on the application of the individual juniors.
 - ii. Scot Willingham Women's clinic request for \$400 is on track for approval (deadline tonight)
 - iii. Board needs to consider and vote on options for Anna Young presented by Jeff.
 - e. Junior grants- 12 issued in 2011
 - f. Other- following discussion on how to best allocate grant funds in support of the NYSBRA mission, the board agreed to establish budgets for types of grants in 2012 (possibly by % of income) (action: Rod)
9. **Business Topics** (Jeff Poulin)
- a. "Free Entry for Champions" policy & ~1-month delay in jersey manufacture
 - i. Can a champion wear the jersey if they upgrade? Recommend yes.
 - ii. Stripes on champ jerseys. Eligibility for stripes is after the reign. Mike Minerva will install them on personal kits.
10. **Other Business?** (All)
- a. Wear of NYS Championship Jerseys: Due to production issues, we may have to forego printing the location/date on the jerseys and submit to 24-count minimums
 - i. Board is ok to remove date/location from jersey.
 - ii. NY Champions can add "NYS Championship Stripes" to their own jerseys for wear after their reign. Mike Minerva provides this service.
 - iii. The board agreed to change jersey provider (from Verge) if terms are not agreeable.
 - iv. RR jerseys were mailed from Verge to champions on Friday, 10Jun
 - v. Jeff initiated actions to get Crit jerseys done.

Next telecons: 8pm, Wednesday 14Sep and Wednesday 14Dec.