

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Board of Directors  
of the Southern California / Nevada Cycling Association**

Date: May 3, 2016, at 7:39 PM

Location: via conference call

Director(s) Present: Chris Black, David Huntsman, Omar Lozano, Jan Luke, Armin Rahm, Suzanne Sonye, Sean Wilson,

Director(s) Absent: Matt Wikstrom, Justin Williams

The meeting was called to order at 7:39 PM. A quorum was determined to be present.

1. Jan Luke called the meeting to order.
2. The Agenda that was loaded onto Basecamp was discussed and approved as the template for the meeting.
3. Chris Black moved, Omar Lozano seconded, all approved, the minutes of the meeting of April 12, 2016.
4. Chris Black led a discussion of officials, motor assignments for races. Chris does not believe Marilyn Allen's old position will need to be filled until next year. Chief referee will cover cyclo-cross race scheduling. Major concern is track races, many coming up, no officials available, none signing up. Jan Luke suggested making chief referee responsible for assigning crew; per Chris Black that is a challenge as all can't have access to the assignment website. Major problems per Chris Black is so many officials have simply stopped signing up for events. Chris suggests at least a stipend of \$250 a quarter for officials coordinator position, ranging up to \$2,500 a year with increased responsibilities. Other position is motor coordinator, currently Steve Barnes, who will continue; Chris recommends \$250 a quarter stipend initially after advertising the position.
5. A discussion of radio licensing and equipment needs was led by Chris. FCC Licensing is \$545, split with NCNCA (who will own license and share with SCNCA), one-half is \$272.50 providing access to repeaters and general compliance with commercial radio use (avoiding potential fines). Chris moved to expend \$272.50 to pay one-half this expense. All approved. Chris will secure purchase order or payment details to NCNCA. Overall no recommendation of radio equipment to purchase at this time; ongoing frequency investigation. Camera equipment – Chris looking for true “out-of-the-box” equipment that is easy for a new user to use. Jan wants to set a target date for radios to purchase.
6. Jan mentioned ads on SCNCA webpage looking for camera operators.

7. Chris suggested the provision of camera operators / race results be done at a fee to race promoters who don't want to provide their own.
8. Jan led a discussion of purchase of equipment, including Armin's tent. Armin will post details in BaseCamp.
9. Jan led a discussion of upgrades. Specifically, whether El Dorado Park and Great Park races should qualify for points for 3-2 upgrade. Sean: 3-2 upgrade is performance-based, so training races not true competitive events. Armin: 3-2 upgrade should be real races. Chris: they should not be used for even 5-4 upgrade. Suzanne: races not adequately monitored. Jan: both race directors agree the races should not be used for 3-2 upgrade. Chris: fact there is one official for entire race means there should be no points. Chris: USAC rule 1E2a requires finishing a mass start race; without many officials, finishing race cannot be verified.

Chris made a **motion** to adopt a policy which states:

*"Effective May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2016 the SCNCA will not approve upgrade points for training races when there is less than a minimum officiating crew including a chief referee, a chief judge, an adequate judging staff to track all riders during the course of race and an adequate staff of referees to observe rider conduct."*

The motion was seconded by Armin and on a vote the motion was approved by a five-to-two vote, Sean Wilson and Jan Luke voting "no". David will put in BaseCamp, once and if all approve language, send to webmaster for posting on "Upgrades" section of SCNCA website.

Beginning Racer Programs: Jan against providing 5-to-4 upgrade points because she feels only real races provide requisite experiences. USAC approves BRP for upgrade points. Continued discussion of addressing 4-to-3-to-2 upgrade issues included pro-rata reduction of upgrade requirements for juniors due to smaller base of riders (to allow upgrades), limiting junior upgrade points to those earned in junior races, allowing upgrade points from track experience. BRP riders will resubmit their 5-4 upgrades and Suzanne will approve.

10. A discussion of SoCal "mega" teams took place, and their effect on racing. Racers are discouraged when those teams control all races. Litigation has been alleged by one rider as a possible outcome if USAC does not limit team size. Question whether and how to approach large teams and ask them to limit team size entered in races, or limit team sizes by rule.
11. The next meeting of the BoD was set down for May 24 at 7:30 PM, via conference call.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:19 PM.

Respectfully submitted by David Huntsman, Secretary.