APBA

RULES AND RACE MANAGEMENT

January 21, 2015

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Dave Augustine. Proposals were presented.

- 1. Rule 30.2 and Rule 31.2 to add a grandfather period to allow a period of time for officials to take the test and have it graded without holding up sanctions.
 - a. M Howie Nichols, S- Fred Hauenstein
 - b. Passed
 - c. M Jean to make this effective immediately, S- Lisa
 - d. Passed
- 2. Rule 3.A.1 to permit writing/artwork directly across the front of the helmet above the face opening not to exceed 3" high and 8" wide.
 - a. M- Jean McKay-Schwartz, S-Rick Sandstrom
 - b. Suggestion to add: Writing cannot exceed an area 3" x 8" above the opening.
 - c. M-Howie to table and get input from Safety Committee. S Robin Shane.
 - d. Passed
- 3. Rule 19 Yellow Card System, #2 to allow for yellow cards to be issued within one of the finish of the last heat or within one hour of the alleged occurrence, whichever is later to include Inspection occurrences. This will permit the referee to not have to stop the event to issue such a card.
 - a. M-Howie, S –Bill Thompson
 - b. P (2 nays Wheeler & Brewster)
 - c. To be effective immediately
- 4. Rule 19, Yellow Card System, change the word "driver" to "member"
 - a. M Dave Shaw, S Lisa Jennings
 - b. Motion amended to change the word "driver" to "driver and or owner" by Dave Shaw and Lisa Jennings
 - c. Passed (2 nays Fred Hauenstein, Jean McKay-Schwartz)
 - d. To be effective immediately
 - e. Mention by Fred of UIM creating a blue card system for general infractions and yellow card to revert to safety issue. No motion was made.
- 5. Drone Rule Pat Gleason provided a review of how the rule was created. The problem of being physically able to see driving infractions in the turn by using a drone to view the race course turns from above. This was to be a pilot program at selected races in Region 10 to see if this would be feasible. Proposal is to add to General Racing Rule #10 an exception to the rule prohibiting this. (add to #D from sheet)
 - a. M Fred Hauenstein, S- Robin Shane

- b. Amendment to change from overlap calls to driver infraction calls. Fred and Robin agreed.
- c. Suggestion that General Racing Rule #24 allows local Race Committee's to request suspension of a rule for a particular race which could be used for this pilot program without changing a rule.
- d. Passed 10-5
- 6. Meeting recessed to Saturday
- 7. Meeting was reconvened by the chairman on Saturday, January 24th.
- 8. Safety approved the 3" x 8" space but are emending it to 2" x 8". Motion by Howie Nichols to "competitors may put writing or artwork in an area across the front to the helmet directly above the opening. This area is not to exceed 8" wide x 2" high, seconded by Fred Hauenstein. Passed.
- 9. Motion to delete GRR13-5 by Fred Hauenstein, seconded by Lisa Jennings. Fred modified motion to sayduring any heat of a race..... Passed. Motion by Lisa Jennings to make effective for immediate implementation, seconded by Fred Hauenstein. Passed.
- 10. Mention was made of concerns that rules requiring divers in capsule classes should be moved to the general rules. No action was taken.
- 11. Motion by Howie to make helmet rule for immediate implementation, seconded by Lisa Jennings. Passed.
- 12. Safety Rule 27. A committee of Jean McKay Schwartz, Fred Hauenstein, and Jim Secler to rewrite the rule for clarification to be presented to the Board of Directors.
- 13. Motion to adjourn by Howie, seconded by Robin. Meeting adjourned.