

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Teleconference Call June 6, 2018

1. The meeting was called to order at 8:30 PM by the President, Howie Nichols.
2. Roll call was taken. The following were in attendance: Howie Nichols, Chris Fairchild, Jean Mackay-Schwartz, John Runne, Fred Hauenstein, Jerry Davids, Kyle Bahl, Adam Allen, Mark Wheeler, Rick Sandstrom, Jeff Brewster, Patrick Gleason, Matt Yarno, Bob Wartinger, Rachel Warnock, Richard Fuschlin, Jack Meyer, Jan Shaw, Dutch Squires, Kristi Ellison, Tom Sutherland, Robin Shane, John Krebs, Ann Marie Shaw, Richard Shaw, Jeff Titus, Eli Whitney, Aaron Wachholz, Julian Rucki, Roger Carr, Buddy Tennell, Sherron Winer, Steve Hearn. And Mary Williams. Excused were Penny Anderson and James Chambers.
3. Minutes from the February 8, 2018, meeting were reviewed. Fred Hauenstein requested a change to Page 3, second bullet point on the page to read: "In a class where multiple gear ratios are permitted, final gear ratio changes (including the outboard gear case) are allowed in inspection between runs during time trials." He noted the rule is correct in the rulebook printed on the website. Motion by Chris Fairchild, seconded by Kyle Bahl to approve the minutes as corrected. Motion passed. Mary Williams will make the appropriate change and have them posted on the Resources page.
4. Results of the 04/16/18 email vote were reviewed. Motion by Chris Fairchild, seconded by Adam Allen to approve the vote. Motion passed.
5. Old Business. President Nichols reported that he had presented the Region Restructure Plan as a Powerpoint on 6/5/18 to members of Council and the category chairs. He asked for any changes from the Board. No changes were requested.
6. New Business. Motion by Adam Allen, seconded by Chris Fairchild to approve the Region Restructure Powerpoint Plan in Concept as presented. A lengthy discussion was held by Board members on various points raised by members:
 - a. Jeff Brewster requested a discussion be held on keeping minimum requirements for Regions to have a commissioner.
 - b. Steve Hearn questioned how the regions which were being combined would handle any existing monies they had and their bylaws.
 - c. Jerry Davids asked how those Regions which are incorporated should be handled.
 - d. Jerry Davids asked at what point will the plan be presented to the membership. President Nichols explained that the plan had been presented at the national meeting in January and Board members have been working on it for six months so it should not be a surprise to anyone.
 - e. Jean MacKay-Schwartz asked if there had been a recommendation to renumber all the regions rather than keep the existing region numbers. President Nichols stated that the existing numbers would be kept because they had "brand recognition".
 - f. Jeff Brewster then asked where the Canadian members would end up in the Restructure plan. Fred Hauenstein explained the UIM rules. John Runne

suggested that CBF members should be able to participate in whichever region they live directly north of.

Chris Fairchild then called the question. A roll call vote was held on this call of the question. The call of the question passed 7 in favor (McKay-Schwartz, Runne, Hauenstein, Davids, Allen, Fairchild, and Wheeler), 3 opposed (Bahl, Sandstrom, Brewster). A roll call vote was then held on the motion to approve the Region Restructure Powerpoint Plan in Concept as presented. This also passed in an identical 7 in favor, 3 opposed vote. President Nichols announced that the Board will meet again to work out the necessary by-law changes.

7. Mark Wheeler presented a request for a rule clarification for the J Mercury motors. Motion to approve the clarification by Mark, seconded by Chris Fairchild, passed unanimously. It was decided to make this for immediate implementation. Mark will handle getting it posted on the APBA website.
8. President Nichols gave an updated on his discussions with H-1. Effective 5/31/18 he signed a Memo of Understanding (MOU) which puts the Unlimiteds back under APBA's insurance. Rick Sandstrom stated that this makes H1 a club, just like any other APBA club. He suggested having a registrar at all H1 races to handle APBA memberships. President Nichols stated that the MOU states that owners and drivers will join as racing members. Crew members will join APBA as participating members.
9. Sherron Winer spoke on a Promotions and Marketing concept which had been distributed to the Board. She said this idea of a "venue of the year" is to help retain venues. APBA needs to be concerned about loss of venues as well as loss of members. Motion by Jean McKay-Schwartz, seconded by Fred Hauenstein to approve the plan. After discussion on encouraging the clubs to share the award with the venue, the motion passed.
10. Bylaw 7.2.4 – Mark Wheeler made a motion to remove the words "the APBA National Commissioner" from the by-law. This will preclude the APBA National Commissioner from having an automatic seat on the Board. Seconded by Adam Allen, the motion passed.
11. Discussion was held on the request of some Vintage and Historical members to permit them to elect their own commissioners and chairman versus the current method of the APBA President appointing the chairman and committee members. After extensive discussion, there was no motion made.
12. Other matters.
13. Roger Carr requested the Board act on the letter from Scott Schatz regarding the GP West Agreement with Sam Cole, which had been submitted. President Nichols reported he received the letter approximately ½ hour prior to the meeting and felt this was not enough time for the Board to form an opinion or take action. He will send the Agreement to Steve Hearn for review.
14. There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by John Runne. Meeting was adjourned at 9:53 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Williams

APBA Secretary