

APBA

BOARD OF DIRECTORS VIDEOCONFERENCE

JANUARY 29, 2021

1. The meeting was called to order by the President, Chris Fairchild, at 8:30 PM
2. Roll call was taken. In attendance were: Chris Fairchild, Adam Allen, Brent Walbrun, Mary Williams, Jan Shaw, Abby Pond, Matt Yarno, Kyle Bahl, Fred Hauenstein, Katelyn Shaw, Kurt Romberg, Jean Mackay-Schwartz, Pete Nichols, Mark Wheeler, Rachel Warnock, Jeff Conant, Sheri Greaves, Rich Fuchslin, Jack Meyer, Pat Gleason, Bob Wartinger, Don Allen, Kip Brown, Ernie Dawe, Kelly Hannon, Rich Luhrs, Robin Shane, Jeff Buckley, Richard Shaw, Tom Johnston, Ken Scoville, David Hale, Aaron Stephens, Lisa Jennings, Sherron Winer, Howie Nichols, Holly Jones, Becca Nichols, Jeff Titus and approximately 60 guests.
3. Motion by Pete Nichols, seconded by Jean Mackay-Schwartz to approve the minutes from the January 18, 2021, meeting. Motion passed unanimously.
4. Motion by Pete Nichols, seconded by Jan Shaw to approve the additions to the Safety Committee: Offshore-Rich Luhrs, Thundercat-Robin Shane, Vintage & Historic- Jack Meyer. Motion passed unanimously.
5. Motion to approve the Jet River Racers 2021 Rules and Bylaws as presented by Jan Shaw, seconded by Fred Hauenstein. The following changes were proposed for the rules:
 - a. Rule 19 – Insert the word “calendar” between the words “one” and “year” at the end of the rule.
 - b. Rule 28 – Insert the word “UIM ” before “Rule 900.9.5”
 - c. Rule 32 – Change the wording “(16 years or older)” to read “(16 years or 17 years)”
 - d. Checklist – 10th item Change the “2500” to “2010”
 - e. Rule 9 – Change “SNELL 2005” to read “SNELL 2010”
 - f. Rule 29 – **Roll Cage:** all jet boats in all racing classes must have a roll cage and/or a well-structured crash cockpit. Refer to UIM Rule 900.15 for specific guidelines for construction of roll bar/cage.

Motioner amended motion to accept these changes, approved by seconder. Motion passed unanimously.

6. Motion by Pete Nichols, seconded by Mark Wheeler to approve the J Committee’s action in retiring the # 5-P in honor of past co-chair Jeff Williams. The motion passed unanimously.
7. Motion by Mark Wheeler, seconded by Pete Nichols to approve the J committee’s request for a change to rule #15.4 in the J rulebook. Motion passed unanimously.
8. Capsule Certifications
 - a. Motion by Pete Nichols, seconded by Mark Wheeler to approve a new addition to APBA General Safety Rule 5 as follows:

CAPSULE TRAINING: All drivers and riders of boats with restraint capsules are required to successfully complete an APBA Approved Capsule Training Program. Training programs will be approved by the appropriate Racing Commission and conducted by an approved APBA Rescue Team.

When capsule training is completed prior to October 1, capsule training documentation shall be valid for the racing season in which the training was taken and also for the following racing season ending October 31.

To avoid expiration, it is recommended that training be done annually.

After discussion, motion by Pete Nichols, seconded by Mark Wheeler to table this item for further work on the suggested change. Motion passed unanimously. President Fairchild announced the change will be sent back to the Safety Committee to come up with the correct verbiage for the next Board of Directors meeting.

- b. Motion by Kyle Bahl to rescind the Board of Director's action on September 30, 2020, to extend cockpit training certification for the 2021 season, seconded by Pete Nichols. Extensive discussion was held on the subject of cockpit trainings including APBA's future liability in case of an accident. President Fairchild called for a roll call vote: All Board of Directors voted in favor of the motion to rescind with the exception of Katelyn Shaw. President Fairchild announced that capsule certification requirements will proceed as normal.
9. Other Matters. There were no other matters brought to the Board.
 10. There being no further business, motion by Mark Wheeler, seconded by Pete Nichols to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Williams

APBA Secretary