

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Teleconference Call November 29, 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, Steve Compton, Mary Williams, Gary Romberg, Adam Allen, Kyle Bahl, Jerry Davids, Fred Hauenstein, Jean Mackay-Schwartz, Jan Shaw, Mark Tate, Rick Sandstrom, Patrick Gleason, Matt Yarno, Alex Jennings, Rachel Warnock, Sheri Greaves, Rich Fuchslin, James Chambers, Jeff Brewster, Robin Shane, Mark Wheeler, John Krebs, Pete Nichols, Scott Reed, Jeff Titus, Bill Pavlick, Julian Rucki, Russ Dodge, and Lisa Jennings. Excused were: Steve Noury, Sherron Winer and Sarah Ealy.
3. Minutes from the August 7, 2018 Teleconference were presented. Motion by Chris Fairchild, seconded by Jan Shaw to approve as presented. Motion passed unanimously.
4. Old Business. There was no Old Business.
5. New Business:
  - a. Steve Compton gave a brief update on progress on the website build. He said that the programmer is trying very hard to have all portions of the website build up and running about the end of the year.
  - b. President Nichols gave an update on the annual meeting. He said he and Sarah Ealy had met with the staff and toured the facility. It is a very modern interior and the meeting rooms will be close together. There are pools, miniature golf, etc. on site along with a restaurant, and market square place for lunches on the go. There is currently no hotel sponsored free shuttle from the airport, but Sarah is working on having something available for a fee. They are also working on getting capsule training for this event. Jan Shaw reported she is working on sponsorship for both Friday and Saturday evening functions and has also contacted the local tourism board for possible funding.
  - c. A listing of all committee assignments was presented. Motion by Chris Fairchild, seconded by Jan Shaw to approve them as presented. Motion passed unanimously.
  - d. President Nichols provided an Insurance update. There will be no increase in fees for the 2019 racing year. The Insurance company is very happy with the work that the clubs have put into Risk Management and encourage everyone to continue to work on this. The only change will be that all Incident Reports will now be sent to headquarters along with the scorer's packet. If there is a transport, calls still need to be made to Rick Felsen and President Nichols. The incident reports for any transport should be tagged with a colored sticky note so headquarters can send them on to the insurance company quickly.
  - e. A proposed addition from the Safety Committee to General Safety Rule 3 – C was presented. The proposed addition would read: "Unrestrained drivers in Junior, SO, MO, and PRO classes, must wear cut-resistant socks, or other cut-resistant footwear and cut-resistant gloves at all times while on the water for the purpose of driving racing equipment." After discussion, Rick Sandstrom made a motion to follow the recommendation of the Safety Committee excluding gloves. Seconded by Mark Tate, the motion passed unanimously. President Nichols asked that Jerry Davids, Kyle Bahl, and Rick Sandstrom work on disciplinary and enforcement issues for all safety gear for the Orlando meeting. Mark Tate noted that Kevlar degrades over time and questioned if manufacturers could put a date on their products, so we could mandate when safety gear is getting old. Patrick Gleason discussed the new Tuff N Lite material being used which does not degrade like Kevlar. President Nichols then added Patrick Gleason to represent Security and Matt Yarno to represent Lifeline on the committee.
  - f. A proposed change to Bylaw 9.1 was presented. The new by-law would read "Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee shall consist of the Board of Directors of the Association, Category Chairs, and Region Chairs. Members of the Nominating Committee

may nominate candidates for elective offices, but must do so prior to July 1 of the year of the election.” Motion by Jean Mackay-Schwartz, seconded by Chris Fairchild to approve the change as presented. After discussion, the Motion passed with 8 in favor, 0 opposed, and 1 abstention.

- g. Proposed Region 3 Bylaws were presented. Motion by Jerry Davids, seconded by Jan Shaw to approve the new bylaws as presented. Motion passed unanimously.
  - h. Proposed Region 5 Bylaws were presented. Motion by Jan Shaw, seconded by Jerry Davids to approve the new bylaws as presented. Motion passed unanimously.
  - i. Proposed Region 6 Bylaws were presented. Motion by Jean Mackay-Schwartz, seconded by Jan Shaw to approve the new bylaws as presented. Motion passed unanimously.
  - j. A proposed change to Bylaw 17.2. was presented. The change would change the date by which all Region meetings needed to be held from November 10<sup>th</sup> to December 1<sup>st</sup>. Motion by Adam Allen, seconded by Kyle Bahl to approve the change as presented. After discussion, Jean Mackay-Schwartz proposed a change be made to November 15<sup>th</sup> and Rick Sandstrom suggested a change to November 20<sup>th</sup>. Adam Allen then withdrew his motion. Motion by Kyle Bahl to change the date to November 20<sup>th</sup>, seconded by Rick Sandstrom. Discussion continued. Chris Fairchild called the question. Calling the question passed 7 in favor, 0 against, 2 abstentions. A vote was then taken on the motion and passed 5 in favor, 4 against.
6. Other Matters.
- a. Proposed Region 4 Bylaws were presented. Motion by Jan Shaw, seconded by Jean Mackay-Schwartz to approve the new bylaws as presented. Motion passed unanimously.
  - b. Proposed Region 10 Bylaws were presented. Motion by Jan Shaw, seconded by Jean Mackay-Schwartz to approve the new bylaws as presented. Motion passed unanimously.
  - c. In answer to a question on when the new cut-resistant footwear rule would go into effect, President Nichols said it would go into effect 30 days after posting and would send it to HQ for posting on Friday, November 30<sup>th</sup>. There are no races scheduled for the next 30 days.
  - d. Jean Mackay-Schwartz reported that she had purchased 10 APBA flags/banners. They will be embroidered with each Region’s number in the corner and given to each Region Chairman to be used at races. It was suggested that these be presented at the national meeting. Mark Tate volunteered to handle the shipping from California to Orlando.
  - e. Jan Shaw reported that she had met with the Jet River group and they are very happy to have been made a committee and are working hard to become APBA compliant. She will be meeting with the River Outboarders group soon.
7. There being no further business, motion by Chris Fairchild to adjourn. Seconded by Jean Mackay-Schwartz. The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Williams

APBA Secretary