

J COMMITTEE

January 26, 2018

The meeting was called to order by Co-Chair, Mark Wheeler. Roll call was taken. Committee members in attendance were: Mark Wheeler, Jeff Williams, Jim Sweeney, Fred Hauenstein, Jim Nilsen, Chris Fairchild, and Andrew Tate.

Motion by Chris Fairchild, seconded by Jeff Williams to approve the agenda as presented.

Engine Inventory Update – 4 engines, 10 long blocks, and 4 gear cases available. APBA has sold 2 complete motors in the past year or so. An additional 2 motors have been consigned to Region 1

Championships

2018 – Moses Lake, WA

2019 – Wakefield, MI

2018 NAC's – Rock Falls

2019 NAC's – IOA bid for Constantine, MI. Motion by Jim Sweeney to approve Constantine Michigan, seconded by Jim Nilsen. The motion passed unanimously.

Divisionals for 2018

2018 NE – Whitney Point – Motion to approve by Chris Fairchild, seconded by Jeff Williams. Motion passed.

2018 SE – Bush River, MD -5/4-5 – Motion to approve by Chris Fairchild, seconded by Jim Sweeney. Motion passed.

2018 Central – Constantine, MI Fathers Day weekend – Motion to approve by Jim Sweeney, seconded by Chris Fairchild. Motion passed.

2018 Western – Warrington, OR 6/23-24 - Motion approve by Jim Nilsen, seconded by Jim Sweeney. Motion passed.

2020 Nationals – presentation by Bill Pavlick for BSOA, MRC to host at Springfield OH at the Clark County Fairgrounds. This has been accepted by stocks, ideally for all 4 categories (SO, MO, PRO, J). Motion to accept by Chris Fairchild, seconded by Fred Hauenstein. Motion passed.

Rule Change Proposals:

1). Rule 2.1.1 – Change to read: “It is permissible for the race committee to schedule and run one additional race for any class or classes it chooses on any single sanction so long as the

same is published on the circular. All races must be scheduled for 2 heats.” Motion to approve the change by Jeff Williams, seconded by Jim Sweeney. Motion passed.

2). Rule 12.B – Change to read: “The AXR class may be run separately or combined with other marathon classes as the discretion of the race committee. There must be a minimum of three (3) bona fide AXR starters to qualify for national points.” Motion to approve the change by Jeff Williams, seconded by Jim Nilsen. Motion passed.

3). Rule 15.3 – Change to read: “ National High Point Championships shall be based on up to three (3) bonus point races (Divisional Championships, National Championships, and North American Championships) plus the first group of regular races for a total of 15 races. If a contestant does not run one, or more, bonus point races, the point total shall included the next races to a total of 15.” Motion to approve the change by Fred Hauenstein, seconded by Jim Sweeney. Discussion was held. Fred Hauenstein amended his motion to read: “National High Point Championship shall be based on up to three (3) bonus point races (Divisional Championships, National Championships, and North American Championships) plus the best 12 of the first group of 15 regular races. Best is defined as the races with the highest number of points scored. If a contestant does not run one, or more, bonus point races, the point total shall include the next regular race or races.” Agreed by the seconder, Jim Sweeney, the motion passed.

4). Rule 15.8 Change to read: “Points scored in AXR marathon events shall not be counted toward closed course high point championships”. Motion approve by Fred Hauenstein, seconded by Jeff Williams. The motion passed.

5). Rule 15.9 – Delete all reference to the “US” Shield by removing the second sentence and removing “and to receive the “US” shield” from the last sentence. Motion to approve by Jim Sweeney, seconded by Jim Nilsen. Passed.

6). Rule 17.2.P.16 – Add a new sentence to the end of the existing rule. “It is permissible to use any mounting plate in replacement of the mounting plate supplied with Mercury’s “High Energy Ignition Kit” and installed in factory location.” Motion to approve by Chris Fairchild, seconded by Jeff Williams. The motion passed.

7). Rule 18.1.C: - Add a new phrase at the end of the third sentence to read: “at no point shall the air trap depth exceed a line created by these maxima.” Motion to approve by Jim Nilsen, seconded by Jim Sweeney. The motion passed.

8). Rule 20.1.A – Change the rule to read: “ A minimum of one driver selected to the Hall of Champions must be a participant in Junior Hydro and/or Junior Runabout and be inducted into the Hall of Champions based solely on their accomplishments in JH and/or JR.” Motion to approve by Fred Hauenstein, seconded by Chris Fairchild. The motion passed.

9). Rule 20.1.B – Change the rule to read: “An additional driver may be selected to the Hall of Champions using accomplishments in JR, JH, AXR, and/or AXH. Accomplishments in AXR and/or AXH can be used one time (one year) only for induction into the Junior Classes Hall of

Champions.” Motion to approve by Jeff Williams, seconded by Jim Sweeney. The motion passed.

10). Rule 20.1.C – Change the rule to read: “Drivers must have won a closed course National Championship in one, or more, of the four classes: JH, JR, AXR, or AXH.” Motion to approve by Andrew Tate, seconded by Jim Sweeney. The motion passed.

11). Rule 20.1.C – add the word “or” to the above rule change and change the rest of the rule to read: “ Drivers must have won an overall High Point Championship (with no less than 10 legal races where he/she earned points) in JH, JR, AXH, or AXR.” Motion to approve by Andrew Tate, seconded by Jeff Williams. The motion passed.

12). Rule 20.1.E.iii –Change the rule to read: “Beak an existing straightaway or competition records: 20 points each.” Motion to approve by Chris Fairchild, seconded by Andrew Tate. The motion passed.

13). Rule 20.1.F – Change the rule to read: “In case of a tie, the driver who earned the greatest number of high points for the year shall be selected.” Motion to approve by Chris Fairchild, seconded by Andrew Tate. The motion passed.

The Committee then entertained question and answers from the audience.

Motion to adjourn by Fred Hauenstein. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary Williams

APBA Secretary