

NCNCA Board Meeting Minutes

3/21/16 Livermore, CA

Called to Order: 7:08 pm by President Carlos Soto

Attending: Board Members: Steve Rosefield, Carlos Soto, Robert Leibold, Roman Kilun, Meredith Nielsen, Erik Camacho, Tim Burgess. Absent: Keith DeFiebre. Guest: Erik Salander

Agenda: Out early.

January Minutes: Approved online with minor changes

Public Comments: (Salander) Premier and/or BAR/BAT rules for clubs/teams may need to be revised. 2 riders in Snelling did not receive points due to license/database questions. (referred to agenda item in New Business)

President's Report (Soto): Discussions with USAC; NCNCA falling behind previous years. But percentage change listed in USAC combines so Cal and Nor Cal. Requested data for past 10-15 years. Jeff Hanson at USAC had discrepancy of 10-15,000. Reason for decrease?: raising of prices (licenses), traffic on way to races (SoCal). Juniors: requests for Championship event to not have Cat 4s with Cat 1/2/3s (15-16 years). USADA – Chico had drug testing – riders saying they are not testing as they should. – Not in our hands, it is run how the USADA wants to. They will continue to show up unannounced at races. Current USAC data breach: USAC is working on fixes.

Treasurer (Rosefield): Checking \$34,056; Savings \$65,283. Surcharges are down, corporate contributions (NCNCA sponsors) are up. NCNCA Club numbers are down, but \$\$ are up to due price increases. Budget review next month. Still have not installed Eva Denis as bookkeeper: In process. 1099s not yet out. Team list needs to be updated.

Committees:

Safety (Soto): no report

Officials (Burgess): 45 licensed officials, 10 interns (5 are motors) more in process. Currently 15 motor refs. New officials are doing internships.

Competition (Camacho): No report

Women's (Nielsen): No report

Mentors (Nielsen): Chris Cain has act together and is proceeding with tracking and preparing for payments.

Scheduling (DeFiebre): No report

Promoters (Rosefield): No report

Juniors (Kennedy): Providing information (via Google form) for distributing to riders. NCNCA Website is general resource for Juniors. Meeting coming up this week. Sean Wilson (formerly Davis BC and Juniors supporter) recently elected to the SCNCA Board, and is considering the Nor Cal Junior program. Racing module based off Early Birds and BRP programs. 3 Phases of racing module, All Jr Series bids accepted and underway. There may be a light turnout of Juniors at Wind Farm races March 26-27.

Banquet (DeFiebre): No report

Membership (Rosefield): 62 teams/clubs in NCNCA membership so far this year. Down in numbers, up in dollars.

Policies and Procedures (Leibold): No report

Old Business:

Budget (Rosefield): Where do we stand on 1st quarter income?

Clubs	5350 now	6,000 budgeted	(down)
Contributions	10,000	7,000	(up)
Surcharges	24,776	69,000 year	(down)

Bookkeeper \$ not yet contracted

Equipment expenses on track, need to look at camera questions for future

Officials OK

Junior Series (see Committee reports)

New Business:

BAR/Bat/Premier points issues: Eligibility for points is clear in the BAR/Bat program, but may not be in the Premier Series program. Camacho suggests that Premier Series should have same eligibility as the BAR/BAT. Discussion. USAC database is updated at 4 a.m. Tuesday, Thursday and Friday to include new and renewing licensees. **Proposal** (Camacho, Leibold): Apply Premier series points updated to day-of licensing to races already run (Snelling, Chico, Santa Cruz), And change the Premier Series eligibility requirements to the BAR/Bar eligibility wording for future events. **Approved** 3-0-5. Question: For BAR/Bat mixed 3/4 races, do the 4s get points? Answer: No. 4s in 3/4 races do not get points.

Comment (Camacho): re Premier series: Can you limit the number of riders on a team in a Premier series race? Large team problem? Would promoters be willing to reduce numbers in a race to accommodate team size limits? Currently in place: a “gentleman’s agreement” between big teams that only 9 riders enter a race on each team. We should encourage teams to work together on this; Discussion sent to Competition Committee.

Race Clean (See President’s Report)

Safety Committee Poster: Racer addendum poster discussing safety and conduct at races. Can we have guaranteed safety at races? Can we give cue cards to officials (starters) to give instructions and safety info to riders concerning emergency vehicles and other road users?

How to increase rider numbers: Need to improve website to attract new riders. Scrap old website and build new or rework current (software is now unsupported for current system). We need to build a content map and keep current. Eric Camacho and Anton Vynogradenko to work on this. Our website should include mtn bike races.

How to get new riders and keep them? Issues:

- Racing is getting more expensive (licenses, fees, etc) yet not more fun. More for your buck?
- CX, Grasshopper and gravel races doing well
- More fun – relying on promoters
- Format changes?
- NICA events potentially growing juniors. NCNCA to do a fall high school road series ?
- Early Bird Series other times of the year?
- What are we trying to bring new racers in?
- NCNCA needs to raise the value of USAC racing

Junior Championship policies stay as listed.

Adjourned: 9:55 p.m.

Next Meeting: April 18, 2016, 7 pm; Marriott Courtyard, Constitution Ave, Livermore