Sunday, January 11, 2009

Attendance: Chris Ulm – President, Paul Lamb – Vice President, Russ Hobbs – Treasure, Eric Lamb – Secretary, Tory Hauser – Events Directors, Jim Stein – FIS Representative, Mike Foote

Uniform / Equipment update

- Soft shells and shorts should ship late this week - (Eric)
- Russ/Linda will be in contact with Peter McMahon to discuss getting the jackets embroidered in Whitefish (Russ/Linda)
- Board generally agreed that new logo design #1 or #2 would be the new logo
  - These logo that should be kept on file for future use
- General discussion around future sponsorship opportunities and needs, primarily regarding bindings and uniforms.

SIA SHOW January 27 – 30

- Discussion around sending Eric to SIA to solicit sponsors
  - Trip would be about two days with emphasis on first day making appointments and the second day meeting with potential sponsors
  - General consensus that the first two days would be the best days
- Eric will research the price and come up with a budget for the trip

Domestic Race Schedule

- **Sunlight** is still good to go. Tory will be at the site on Thursday to go over race layout and judging issues.
  - Paul will send Tory what he considers the best judging forms and Linda will send the spreadsheet to use for calculating results.
- **Selkirk** still needs to be contacted about getting the race sanctioned, Paul will follow up with Kevin the next few days. …Emphasis on getting the race sanctioned (Paul)
- **Kare’s** race at **Bromley** is scheduled for Feb 22
- **Gunstock** Sprint Classic race for Feb 28 - (Mike Foote)
- Emphasis on getting all TELEMARK race events on the USTSA calendar...ideally the BOD would like all events sanctioned
But general agreement that the more events on the USTSA calendar the better

National Championship Schedule/Concerns/planning

- Linda and Shane have been in contact working out details for National schedule
- Tory has also given Shane and Steamboat guidance on the Nationals outline and schedule
- Tory will be at Nationals in an officiating capacity, most likely TD
- Russ and Linda will be training Steamboat staff on timing and calculating points efficiently
- Paul has contacted Shane about being the chief judge and completing any needed judge training
- Board agrees focus and effort needs to be put into Steamboat for them to submit a World Cup proposal for 2010
  - Steamboat has already expressed interest in hosting a world cup

AGM TOPICS

- Annual General Meeting will be Thursday February 26 → exact time will be released ASAP
- President and Vice President positions are up for re-election
  - BOD wants Chris and Paul to have ideas about beginning new terms or stepping down by the next call SUNDAY FEBRUARY 15
- The next BOD call will focus on AGM topics.
- Russ/Linda will email possible open positions and other volunteer opportunities to membership email lists.
  - Any interested volunteers are encouraged to join the next BOD call.

FIS/World Cup Schedule

- Lack of Communication between Europe WC and North America (Tory)
  - Specifically from the World Cup coordinator
  - Dissemination of information needs to improve
  - Possible problems from both sides
    - Too many from our side asking for information
    - Need for a single contact needs to emphasized (Tory)
• Eric and Tory will send Jim specific issues regarding lack of communication
• Jim will contact USSA about getting the bill for FIS dues
• Tory expressed concern about FIS licenses going through for all athletes
  o To insure there isn’t a problem during World Cups and World Championships

World Cup/World Championships
• Discussion who will captain team in Europe
  o Team captain in Slovenia will most likely be Shane or Peter
    ▪ Concern was expressed that Shane has enough on his plate in regards to Steamboat (Tory)
    ▪ Peter would be an excellent for a team captain
  o Tory will captain team during World Championships
    ▪ Emphasis on allowing athletes time to focus on racing
  o Peter will be asked to represent at team captain in Spain
    ▪ As of now Drew and Peter are the only two participating in Spain

Regional Team
• Not much advancement has been made
• Discussions will occur during the coming weekend at Sunlight

Next meeting February 15th 7pm MTN

Unresolved/Future Agenda Items

Please include this list in all future minutes so we don’t lose items that need to be deferred.
• List at this time, based on this meeting and Linda reviewing past minutes:
  o Comp Guide Changes (POSSIBILTY FOR MAY MEETING)
    ▪ Who is eligible to race at WC
    ▪ FIS rules regarding # of turning gates vs # of gates
    ▪ Clarify the “Fall” rule 4206.1
    ▪ Definitions for various races factoring in the frequent limitations on hills for vertical drop.
    ▪ Where does USTSA stand on requiring or not requiring helmets
  o USTSA Comp License
- FIS license
- Proof of Medical Insurance
- Approval of the US Governing Body (USTSA BOD)
  - Revise Section 1002 regarding weekend licenses and results requirements
  - Include requirement for participants in events provide their own medical insurance
  - Do we want to require helmets in sanctioned races?
- Linda and Paul will work on a regional race at Big Mountain...or Blacktail?
- Paul will check with Kevin about Selkirk Classic in 2009
- Paul to follow up on getting other North America races USTSA sanctioned
- Russ – Keep in touch with University of Montana for USTSA to be used as a marketing class project
- Sponsorship:
  - Outdoor Retailer Show – January 22-25 in SLC
  - SIA show January 28-30 Las Vegas
- Regional Team

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