

**USTSA Board of Directors Conference Call**  
**Sunday, May 17, 2009 @7:00 pm MT**

**Attending:** Russ Hobbs – President, Eric Lamb – Vice President, Tory Hauser – Events Director, Linda Hobbs – member/notetaker

**Absent:** Josh Lanzetta – Secretary, Ken Gay – Treasurer (gave Russ Hobbs his proxy for this meeting)

1. Membership – Tory made a motion to approve, Russ Seconded the motion and the Board voted unanimously to add the following categories and rates of membership to the existing categories and rates.
  - a. Event license
    - i. \$20 per day license.
    - ii. Points tracked for current season only. If racer does not renew (either with day license or full membership) the following season, points will be dropped from the USTSA database.
    - iii. Day license holders will not be eligible for US Team positions ,
    - iv. Day license holders cannot race in the Elite category at nationals
    - v. Day license holders will receive no other membership benefits,
    - vi. In the event a day license holder elects to purchase a full membership, no credit will be given for the day license fee already paid.
  - b. Junior members
    - i. \$20 for a Junior Membership
    - ii. Youth, 14 and under would be eligible for a discounted membership. Proposed fee would be the same, regardless of the time of the year the fee was paid. There will be no penalty for a mid-season registration.
    - iii. Junior members would not be eligible for US Team positions, including the Development Team. To be considered for the Development team, a racer must have a full competitive membership
    - iv. Junior members will not have voting privileges.
    - v. Must have parental signature on Junior member application
  - c. Alumni membership
    - i. \$20 annual membership fee for prior members of USTSA team. Proposed fee would be the same, regardless of the time of the year the fee was paid. There will be no penalty for a mid-season registration.
    - ii. Alumni membership would not include points carryover. Racer would need to buy an event license each year or purchase a full competitive license to avoid USTSA points retention rules.
    - iii. Alumni members would be considered Voting Members under the bylaws and have the same rights and benefits as other voting members.
2. Bylaws
  - a. Josh has reviewed the bylaws and made suggestions for streamlining them.
  - b. Russ will revise areas pertaining to
    - i. BOD can set membership categories and rates
    - ii. There will be more than 1 class of member
    - iii. Definition of a Quorum for changing bylaws and for BOD meetings.
  - c. Russ will send out proposed bylaw changes to BOD to review for next meeting.

### 3. Competition Guide

- a. Josh has reviewed the 1<sup>st</sup> section of the bylaws and made suggestions for streamlining them.
- b. Russ and Linda have worked to revise content that has been discussed by BOD over the last year.
- c. Russ will work to draft information regarding the handicap that will be added to the racers time or the race penalty in the event that a sanctioned race does not have a jump or the time of the fastest 5 male racers is less than the requirement for that race.
- d. Russ will distribute the proposed changes to the BOD for review prior to the next meeting

### 4. National Team

- a. All Contracts have been received
- b. Linda has sent team an email announcing all team members and is working on a press release about the 09/10 team.
- c. Team Conference Call will be scheduled for Sunday, June 7 at 7 pm MDT to discuss:
  - i. Sponsorship solicitation
  - ii. Committee's/Projects for team members to work on to meet their contractual obligations ( World Cup, Local Races, Sponsorship Committee above their 3 required sponsorship solicitations)
  - iii. Training options ( Red Lodge in June, Mt Hood, Steamboat at Christmas)

### 5. Sponsorship

- a. Eric will organize the sponsorship tracking spreadsheet/list
- b. Russ will contact Big Sky Brewing, CWX, Global Rescue, Blizzard Skis and LEKI poles
- c. Tory will be the contact for Alpina, Rottafella, Scarpa, BCA and 22 Designs
- d. Eric will continue to work with Karbon
- e. Discussed the possibility of creating a Karbon Jacket with Logo on back, like the team jacket for cash donations of \$1,000 or more in a year. Eric will look into purchasing these jackets from Karbon at a discount.

### 6. Team Conference Call – Sunday, June 7 at 7pm MDT

7. Next BOD meeting – Sunday June 14 at 7pm MDT to discuss Bylaw and Comp Guide Changes. Follow up to Team Call.

### Carry-forward:

- a. Comp. guide amendments
  - i. Penalties for races with or without jumps
- b. Under 18 voting privilege
- c. Nominate Ken as FIS technical delegate
- d. Team Jackets for Donors of \$1,000 or more cash