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August 21th, 2018, 6:30 PM MST/8:30 PM EST: BOD Meeting Minutes

Present on conference call: Sarah Carley – Co-President, Devon Wright – Co-President, Keith Rodney – Vice President, Nathan Fogell – Events Director, Wioleta Fedeczko – Treasure, JT Robinson – Freeski Officiating Director, Jeff Gay – Secretary

Nationals

- I.) Sunlight:
 - 1. Super positive at first but now is a bit reserved because of the snow fall.
 - 2. Can we do a document that says if there is not (xxx) of snowfall by (xx) date?
 - a. We currently have this as an issue
- II.) Eldora is an option
 - 1. Would need number of team athletes that USTSA would commit to being there.
 - a. Sarah will be able to help with this.
 - b. Ken will reach out once we have those numbers
 - 2. Race infrastructure is very good if they let us use it.

Training camps

- III.) East coast
 - 1. Location: Mt. Snow
 - 2. Looking at doing this before/Christmas (Dec 15/16th?)
 - 3. Let Linda know as soon as dates are finalized so we can get this on the calendar
- IV.) West coast
 - 1. Can we get this to happen?
 - 2. Jeff will reach out to see if there is something we can partner with steamboat?

<u>Freeski</u>

- V.) Adults category turnout was not very good last year.
 - 1. Likely will not continue next year.
 - 2. This is likely because once "the team" dynamic is done (once they graduate) are not wanting to compete in the adult category. Also may be dealing with a demographic issue where the folks that are participating are not as competitive for this event.
- VI.) Junior category were great last year.
- VII.)Breckenridge event
 - 1. The Juniors were able to help out with the poor show up of the adults
 - 2. Made a little money at this event
- VIII.) Grand Targee

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- 1. Better for the adults, but still not very good
- 2. Junior race was very good as well

IX.) State of Freeski:

- 1. JT and Nate are both not able to keep these events going
- 2. In the Adult category struggling with keeping up with this
- 3. Junior Coaches are trying to band together to keep it going
 - a. If they don't get back to JT, they may not be able to continue this.
- 4. Breckenridge would be willing to have us back
- 5. Aspen may also be an option
- 6. Targee would not be willing to have us back
- X.) What role does the Board need to play to support the coaches?
 - 1. If they come to the plate with a decent plan, JT would be willing to stay on as a director level role, but would not be able to put on the event
 - 2. If there is not a point person for this event, it may not be able to go forward
 - 3. Currently we are missing this point person for next year that can handle the organization
 - 4. What would be required to entice that role for the event: \$300 per day

Other items

XI.) Experticity

- 1. Devon has reached out but has not gotten in contact.
- 2. Devon will follow up this week and let Sarah and Linda know the end results XII.)Other events
 - 1. Norm will help out with the Gore Mountain race
 - a. Could we have a beer sponsor for the race or having awards there?
 - b. Yes if it is as an event sponsor
 - c. Feb 2nd and 3rd
 - 2. Nate is working on trying to get one more event for the east coast
 - a. Hopefully in January
 - 3. Bromely is confirmed
 - a. Feb 23rd and 24th
 - b. Feb 24th is the race

XIII.) Nationals results

- 1. Nate is having issues getting in contact with them
- 2. Keith can help getting in contact

XIV.) Athlete Concerns?

- 1. No current concerns
- 2. Social Media is doing better

XV.) Uniforms for the future

- 1. We will try to put in orders earlier for next year (Early March)
 - a. This could be earlier team announcements
 - b. Or we could be speculative for the future years

XVI.) Sponsors

- 1. 22 design on board for next year
- 2. Telemark down on board for next year

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3. Global Rescue – Sarah is planning on meeting with them in the week or so

XVII.) Team call

1. Add the potential races in the future

Next call

XVIII.) September 18st @ 8:30pm