

Velo Club La Grange

Board of Director's Meeting

February 16, 2011

Yahoo Center-Santa Monica

Call to order at 7:13 by Marco Fantone

Attendees:

BOD- Marco Fantone, Stu Press, Marc Thomas, Brian Pera, Joe Camacho, Tom Byrnes, Richard Kim. Jay Slater and Larry Goodman not in attendance.

Members- Amy Hutner, Nick Brandeau, Seanne Biggs, John De Rago.

Minutes of January meeting approved, unanimously.

Committees Reports:

Clothing, John De Rago

John continues to exchange emails with Voler about current clothing order. Voler wants payment before order ships. Voler would like to use credits to be applied to future order and not on current order. BOD discusses cons of this plan. Voler currently has the money from membership for clothing order. Order was also placed for racing, comps, and BOD. Effectively, John states we owe them \$19,000.00, but Joe is not in agreement that we owe them that amount. They will not release clothing until they are paid in full. LG has money to pay bill. Check will be go out, and clothing will be here before La Grange night at Helen's.

John discusses that we won't have problem with extra stock now with new system of membership paying Voler directly on line. This will reduce lost monies.

Discussion regarding crash replacements and the fact that we now have 4 clothing orders per year. Stu is in charge of crash replacement, and will keep track of expense.

Joe makes a motion that we stay with 4 orders per year, Voler and non Voler items. No out of cycle orders. Brian 2nds, Marco 3rds. Goes to vote. All aye (Jay and Larry not present)

Brian Pera: French National Champion kit will be available with next clothing order.

Nick Brandeau and John De Rago: Track jacket discussion brings issues with Outside Sports. They are not returning calls. Tom Byrnes has connection to them, said he is willing to make a call. Joe Camacho brings up Home Boy industries as an alternative to Outside Sports. Brain Pera will be designing the jackets with input from Marco Fantone and Stu Press.

Sponsorship, Tom Byrnes

Updates on LA Massage, Trifit, Dick Hyman, Pitfire Pizza. Wattbike.com has expressed interest being involved with La Grange. Senior Living may come back in with \$5,000.00 cash sponsorship.

Tom Byrnes also brings up the need for a Juniors Booster Club to help with expenses for Junior racers, especially race entry fees, tubes, tires, equipment, etc... Currently we have 7 juniors. Joe Camacho states there are finances to have LG pay for first 10 race entry fees to get them into to Cat 4, and then they will have same benefits as those racers.

Nick Brandeau and Stu Press agree with this proposal. Stu feels the race budget can be reallocated to meet the juniors racers needs

Tom Byrnes also states that Jay Wolff of Helen's wants to remind LG that he is sponsoring the entire club, not just elites, and he wants tubes, tires, etc to go to juniors and support of the LG Cup races in addition to the elite teams.

Tom Byrnes working with Senior Living. John De Rago offers to head up a ride to a Senior Living facility.

Jay Slater meeting with Whole Foods tomorrow regarding BGP. (Michelob Light?)

Amy Hutner asks about Herbalife and where the membership should get their products. Luis (last name?) is our direct rep, and Stu Press will make an action item to have Luis be more visible on the Yahoo groups, and have a table at La Grange night.

Membership, Marc Thomas

January 365 renewal invoices went out. There are 245 still outstanding. There are 264 paid. Marc will take off non-renewing members from Yahoo groups at the end of March. Non-paid dues members will not be able to pick up their clothing.

New member meet up TBD next month. Will use Pitfiire Pizza.

Survey results distributed to BOD by Marco Fantone. No statistical trend noted other than positive except a few outlier negative comments.

Survey will be published Website and Yahoo groups. Stu motions that we post graphs. Stu tables motion.

Website, Richard Kim

Discusses La Voix and future. Not enough man power to put out LV on even a quarterly basis. The blog may become the La Voix on line... The end of the year report is being worked on by Richard Kim and Alex Amerri. Can include the survey pie chart on the year in review and address how La Grange takes into account the member responses.

Race Director, Stu Press

Stu Press passes out race expenses for 2011. Men's and women's teams will be going to Redlands. Raul Alcalá has agreed to ride for us, and a guest rider from Canada (?). Some racers not able to ride at Redlands because they work. Morgan Kapp was severely injured, but doing better, and is at home. Discussion of getting a basket sent to Morgan. Amy Hutner and Stu Press will work on that.

Dan Weinberg helping Stu Press get the equipment needed for the race program. Bikes are arriving. Wheels are Ksyrium Equipes (training wheels), most cranks are 170's, and stems all need to be rider specific. Stu Press is firm that the RFE's from Helen's for the elite bikes need to be rider specific.

Dan is working on suitable racing wheels and cranks, stems and bars. Stu Press just wants the BOD to know that some sort of invoices or RFE's must be sent and signed by Jay Wolff as part of the sponsorship, so that we have proof of what's agreed on by LG and Helen's.

La Grange Night at Helen's, Tom Byrnes

Date, Monday the 28th. Pitfire Pizza will be supplying food. Paul Hibler is very interested in sponsoring La Grange. Dan Weinberg will have assorted other deals to be shown, such as gels, helmets, etc.

Tom will deal with pizza and drinks. He will ask Dave Lieberman to help set up.

Treasurer's Report, Joe Camacho

Budget and expenses for 2011 passed out. We still have not received money from Herbalife and Lane Ochi. Invoicing will go out to both,

Joe asks to be included in the BGP meeting to keep an eye on expenses.

Brentwood Grand Prix, Brian Pera

Neil working on Wattbike.com to be a vendor. Neil also spearheading website for BPG. Encourage members to register to volunteer. BGP title sponsorship is being sought by Jay Slater. Brian Pera needs the sponsor named by June to do posters. Posters need to reflect the State Criterium Championship notation. Marco Fantone asks to have art work done now so sponsors and vendors can use it.

Next meeting is scheduled is for march 23. Motion made to change BOD meeting to 4th Wednesday of each month to accommodate Jay Slater's other BOD commitments. All in favor. Motion passed.

Motion made by Richard for pie charts only in terms of posting survey results to club. All in favor. Motion passed. Joe will make the pie charts, Richard will post to website.

Marco Fantone adjourns meeting 9:30pm