MACC – MICHIGAN ALPINE COMPETITION COUNCIL – CALL-IN MEETING 1-3-2022

Minutes of the meeting:

Alex Carrico called the meeting to order at 8:30 PM.

Attendance – Officers:

Alex Carrico – P	Drew Hilger – P	Ginnie Uhley – P	Mike Hietbrink – P	Ryan Bloodworth - P
Shawn Hughes – P	Steve Coatney – A	Mike Sayers – P	Kermit Anderson - P	Dave Carrico – P
Grace Kerbrat – P	Bill Perlmutter – A	Dennis Parrott – P	Zach Jablonski – A	Debi Koltoniak – P
Chuck White – P	Jenessa Hilger – P			

Attendance – Team Racer Representatives:

Alan Osterdale AA – P	Alfred Cureau JD – P	Gary Bloodworth – A	Chip Dayton SW – P	Gary Konsza SD – P
Rick Van Houdt TR – P	Mike Jablonski TB – A	Pat Groves TO – P	Sue Holmes RN – P	Denise Miller TR – A
Kathy Bauer TR – P				

Review Minutes – Alex Carrico – Our normal meetings will continue to be on Wednesdays, the additional meeting today is because we have a lot to talk about before then. First up is reviewing the minutes from October 27th and November 7th. Motion from Alan, Ginnie seconds. Minutes are approved.

General Updates – Alex Carrico – Updates from Boyne – Unfortunately, there is not enough snow on Superbowl and FIS to race this weekend. Superbowl is usually the last priority for Boyne, as they have to get more popular runs ready first. Due to warm weather, they have been slow to get snow on all the runs. Even though we won't be racing on Superbowl, there is still a chance that we will be able to race on North Boyne. Two things may prevent that though. First, there may not be enough snow on the top half of North Boyne. Mark will not know if there is enough snow until tomorrow. Once he knows whether there is enough snow, he will still have to get final approval from Boyne. We are hopeful that we can race on North Boyne but will not know for sure until Wednesday. This will be relayed to everyone on Facebook and our newsletter. If we are not able to race on North Boyne, we might be able to setup a couple training lanes.

Boyne Waivers – This year, each racer must sign a waiver from Boyne. This is specific to MACC. You will have to sign another waiver if you race in another league. Ginnie will be monitoring this and sending out reminders to anyone that hasn't completed the waiver. You can sign the waiver online, but you will have to create a Boyne account.

Safety procedures – Boyne doesn't currently have any Covid rules in place, but if they put any in place, we will follow them. Face coverings will still be required in the finish shacks. The Othmar will no longer have an occupancy limit and is open to the public as a warming hut. The registration office will be restricted to Ginnie, Kathy, and Steve. We ask that everyone else please stay out of the back office. We also ask that the front picnic table spaces be left open for other officers, so they have space to work. Gate storage at the top of the hill will continue to be for course setters only. Start shacks will be limited to two people. Racers will not be allowed to use them as warming huts. Finish shacks will be limited to three people (up from 2 last year), so we will have a full announcing crew back. We ask that everyone wears masks while in the finish shacks. Starting procedures will be one racer in starting area, and once you are in the start you can take your mask off. Timers and course ops workers will be responsible for wiping down shared equipment. Awards will be held at the bottom of the hill again. Tents will be allowed on the hill this year, even with sides. Everything else remains the same as last year.

Facebook Groups – The Facebook page is a community page where anyone can post and comment. People have been asking about snow conditions. Please remember that everyone in these meetings represent MACC. Please do not post anything negative, especially about Boyne. They are a massive sponsor, and we shouldn't be making any comments about them. Secondly, do not post any information that has not been openly shared in a meeting. Some people have commented that our race will be cancelled, and we don't know that for sure yet.

Apparel Store – No real updates about the store, please keep spreading the details about it. Mick has stepped down as he will not be racing this year, Rick Van Houdt will be stepping in to be the TR representative.

Updates – Drew Hilger – We took a close look at the breakdown of our classes. We had 76 registrations at the time we did this. Because we still have some people that haven't registered, we also used data from last year. Registration numbers are lagging a little bit this year, but we expect them to catch up by the first race weekend. We expect around 103 racers, just like last year. We need to make sure AM and SVE1M are on different courses, to keep our timing supervisors on different courses. Our goals are to spread racers and workers out evenly across courses. If we put all the elites on one course and A-D on the other, it ends up very unbalanced. Last year's approach really doesn't help either, as workers are still unbalanced. The best solution we came up

with was VAW, AW, EW, EM, SVAM, AM, SVBM, and BM on course 1. Course 2 would be everyone else. This is what we are going with this weekend, if the numbers change a lot, then we may change it for the second race.

Finances – **Mike Hietbrink** – \$7,300 in account after paying insurance. There should be about \$14,800 once the PayPal transfer goes through.

Registration – **Ginnie Uhley** – We currently have 92 racers registered. A couple are partially registered, so we are working to resolve those issues. There is one new person that attempted to register but didn't make it all the way through. There are 5 new racers this year. We plan to offer the same classes that we did last year as of right now. Race reps, please review the list sent out to see if everyone on your team has registered.

Handicaps and Statistics – Chuck White – Will try to get pacesetter schedule out tomorrow. Was just waiting for the final course lineup. We are going to be a little bit unbalanced, so may reach out to a few more people to fill in the gaps.

Course Operations – Dennis Parrott – My staff is evenly split 12 and 12 with Drew's current course alignment. We will be ok as long as we don't lose too many people in a single weekend. Main worry is making sure that we have enough gate judges.

Course Officials – Jenessa Hilger – No updates.

Course Setting – Kermit Anderson – My groups ready to go. Will be sending in a receipt for two batteries.

Equipment - Dave Carrico - Per Alex, Dave has a full crew ready to go this year.

Timing – Shawn Hughes – In good shape this year for number of timers that have checked in. Will be up there this weekend if we race but won't be skiing.

Race workers – Bill Perlmutter – Not on call, but Bill did contact Ginnie to get registration info, asked if site should go live for work assignments.

Computers - Steve Coatney - Not on call.

Awards - Zach Jablonski - Not on call.

Publicity – **Debi Koltoniak** – Will post message from Alex/Drew about this weekend on social media. Other than that, will wait until Wednesday to put more information out.

Webmaster – **Mike Sayers** – Will put the minutes on the webpage and update the call schedule page. Will replace covid rules with updated ones. Will also replace the schedule with the updated one. Alex will send an official statement tonight about this weekend.

Meeting adjourned at 9:32 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Ryan Bloodworth, Secretary.