

DATE: Monday, April 27, 2020

TIME: 7 pm

**PLACE:** ON=LINE Via Zoom (due to COVID-19 Virus social distancing requirements.)

**President Kurt Schweitzer called the meeting to order via Zoom at 7:01 pm**

**Secretary's Report:** Clint Smith asked if there are any additions and/or corrections recommended to the Secretary's Report which was posted on our website: [www.frrc.us](http://www.frrc.us). If so, please e-mail Secretary Clint Smith at [cbsracingclintman@gmail.com](mailto:cbsracingclintman@gmail.com) or if there are any additions or corrections.

**Motion to accept made by Andy Monday. The motion was seconded. The motion passed unanimously and was accepted as read.**

**Marty Nussbaum was unable to attend to provide a Treasurer's report. Please keep him in your prayers during this difficult time with the recent passing of his mother.**

**A short update from Judi Monday was given on the checkbook balance. Motion to accept made by Randy Schuler. The motion was seconded. The motion passed unanimously and was accepted as read.**

#### **Old Business:**

- Membership deadline now May 31<sup>st</sup>; then \$25 increase as of June 1<sup>st</sup>.
- We are low on memberships, so please start sending these in. We do still have a few operating expenses as a club. We will not pay insurance until we actually race an event.
- Discussed Covid-19 soft open options/suggestions. Tracking Wisconsin's open dates and other States open dates. Keeping a close eye on that. It will not be like flipping a switch, as the opening of businesses is in phases. Non-essential businesses still cannot have more than 10 in Phase One and Phase Two only allows for up to 50 people.
- IDEAS for once we open: Social distancing in pits and stands: We are trying to minimize contact between fans and staff. We do have the ability to sell on-line tickets on Myracepass. Recommending fans to decorate masks if they want to wear them, have hand sanitizer on hand for fans, scan participants and fans for fevers, try to do contactless \$\$\$ exchanges wherever possible and viable.
- Still hoping for/proposing a June 4<sup>th</sup> start date: Survey feedback had the majority of people responding that they would be fine with June 4<sup>th</sup>.
- We had an idea for doing a practice day/night tech on Thursday, May 28<sup>th</sup> Free admission for the fans, etc. However, we would have to pay all costs for turning the lights on, etc. So, this is not a financial viable option. At this point we are looking to do tech on the first Thursday Night, unless we can possibly do ONLY

tech on 5/28/2 and not pay insurance. We will have to check with our insurance and W.I.R. on that option.

- Idea was brought up about Facebook Live if we can only have 50 people in the stands. No true revenue stream and a HUGE financial gamble. We could try to create a pay per view. Still a downside of large financial losses. TV station options can also be pursued. We are unsure how the Jefferson International did \$\$ with the pay per view event last Saturday. Kurt mentioned that we may have to push back the season until we can have a better idea of what kind of actual revenue stream we have. We could have to push back to plan C, D or E with a delayed start date.
- Randy Schuler asked about contracts being sent to sponsors. As of right now, they have not been sent out until we have a better idea of what kind of year we will have. Randy is concerned that if we do not have a revenue stream, everyone would have HUGE losses.
- POWAR update: This group has a connection with South Dakota with getting some updates. They are also on the verge of pulling the trigger on paying a lobbyist to represent short tracks in Madison/Capitol to give us a voice.
- A question was asked about polling fans to get a better count estimation. Kurt mentioned that Ginger is working on this right now. We are also watching what some other tracks are looking to do that start before us. Kurt has talked to the Outagamie County Sherriff's Dept. and hopes to meet with them mid-May. Ginger is also looking to talk to the Town of Buchanan.
- Illinois did move through legislation to bypass/adjust their safer at home order. Wisconsin also has legislation on the table similar to this.

#### **New Business:**

- Survey Feedback: We need to make it financially do-able before we can finalize a firm start date. The tentative one is still June 4<sup>th</sup> AT THIS TIME. We do plan to do a few more surveys.
- FRRC 2020 Employee ZOOM meeting tentatively Thursday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at 6pm; We will record it for anyone who cannot make it. An e-mail will be sent out in the next few days.
- We originally suggested track work days of May 9<sup>th</sup> and May 16<sup>th</sup> However, after consulting with Ginger and Dan, those dates will likely not work. Instead we will take some volunteers on a given day with a project leader and have no more than 10 people at the track at any given day. We do need some \$\$ for supplies for these projects. We can utilize a "donate" button on the FRRC site. Right now on the bottom, we do have an option where people can donate \$\$ for projects like this. \$20, \$50 or \$100 with recognition based on the amount donated.

#1 on the list was to replace some of the bleacher planks. (Each of these planks are over \$60)

#2 Repainting: This is much less expensive and a more viable option. Checkered Flag on track, etc. etc. We are looking to bump this up to be the first one on the list, as the whole project may cost \$200-\$300 total.

Volunteers were requested and several of them responded. But, we will need a project manager to be the lead on this project. We are hoping the group can put in a couple hours on a given day that works for up to 8 people + the leader. Please send an e-mail to Kurt or Clint if you would like to be the lead for this project. It was suggested that maybe reaching out to Dan to see if he is interested in being the lead.

We do still have 2 additional projects (#3 moving spotters tower and #4 upgrades to the female bathrooms.)

We won't push the DONATE button until we have a confirmed project.

- Extra zoom general membership meeting on Memorial Day. May 25<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. This will be a meeting to help finalize what our target date is to open.
- Tuesday Practice updates - Dan/Ginger will still not be opening up Tuesday Nights until further notice. Stay tuned to W.I.R. for updates.
- Moving Veterans Day to July 23<sup>rd</sup>
- Big Wheel Races moved to July 16<sup>th</sup>, to ensure we have good family participation by then.

**Topics from the Floor:**

- Randy Schuler asked if the whole season gets cancelled, would the memberships carry over to the 2021 season...Kurt said yes

**Open Agenda Items for the May meeting can be e-mailed to [cbsracingcintman@gmail.com](mailto:cbsracingcintman@gmail.com)**

**Motion made to adjourn by Andy Monday. The motion was seconded. The motion passed unanimously.**

**Kurt Adjourned at Zoom meeting at 7:53 pm**

**Next Meeting is on Monday, May 25, 2020 at 7pm via Zoom**