## WASHINGTON STATE BICYCLE ASSOCIATION

Board of Directors Conference Call November 25, 2019

## **MINUTES**

Participating: Paul Bourcier, Ted Chauvin, David Chipchase, Glen Conley, Al Cronin, Nigel Davies, Dan Fealk, David Hills, Eric Johnson, Gina Kavesh, Heather Nielson, Kevin Raymond, Martha Walsh

President Gina Kavesh called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm. Minutes of the October 21, 2019, meeting were approved.

The budget-making process for 2020 will be underway soon. Gina and Dan are shifting WSBA recordkeeping to QuickBooks Online to allow access for more than one person. A draft budget will be presented at the January 2020 board meeting; the only major expenditure before that date will be stipends, which will be paid before the end of December. The board reviewed the current balance sheet and profit&loss comparison.

Gina updated the board on transitions in personnel for various WSBA positions. Dan Fealk has agreed to serve as treasurer (if elected by the board following the annual meeting in December) and is working with Al Cronin to ensure a seamless transition. Scott Sturges will take over USAC officials' assignments as well as cyclocross and road race permitting.

USA Cycling is rolling out a new model for local associations. It will bring significant changes, including a decrease in the revenue distributed to LAs. Small payments will be offered to the LA for tasks and events such as officials' assignments and racer clinics; most LA funding will be based on event participation. Race permitting (except for new events) and racer upgrades will be handled in-house at USAC. A revised LA agreement is expected by March 1; the distribution for the first quarter of 2020 will be based on a 2018 base. Complete details of the new model have not yet been announced but more information should be available to pass along to WSBA members at the annual meeting in December.

Gina is working with Amara Edwards and Andy Baker at the Jerry Baker Memorial Velodrome on ways to cross promote the JBMV and WSBA to the respective members. A formal proposal is likely to follow in January.

The board voted to approve a grant to the School of Cross to support sending 15 junior racers from eastern Washington to the 2019 USAC cyclocross national championships with the expectation of photographs and a letter of thanks to be shared on WSBA sites.

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Gina offered updates on the Cyclocross Nationals Top WSBA Rider Awards, the process of allocating and distributing bib numbers to members for the 2020 road season, and developments in 2020 sponsorship for bib numbers and championship jerseys.

The board continued its discussion about the BARR competition and categories. Some concerns were that the value of this program to WSBA members has clearly declined and that changes coming at USAC to racer categories may make it (even more) difficult to tabulate points. The board voted to hold three championship events in 2020—road, criterium, time trial—and to reassess the value of the BARR or some other competition going forward.

The board voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 pm.