

WASHINGTON STATE BICYCLE ASSOCIATION
Board of Directors Conference Call
February 27, 2017

Participating: Paul Bourcier, Ted Chauvin, David Chipchase, Nigel Davies, David Hills, Eric Johnson, Gina Kavesh, Heather Nielson, Kevin Raymond, Martha Walsh, Marshall Will

President Gina Kavesh called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Minutes were approved for the board conference call on January 16, 2017.

Gina provided these updates:

- Distribution of 2017 race numbers is on track, a few glitches being worked out.
- Bids for 2019 cyclocross national championship still being considered at USAC.
- At the USAC annual Local Association meeting, the rollout of the new system and membership platform was reviewed. The next phase is expected to launch later in 2017. Terms of the LA agreement for 2017 will be the same as 2016 with changes anticipated for 2018.
- WSBA championship events for 2017 are still TBD.

The board considered a proposal from the Taco Time Northwest team for the WSBA to back a beer garden at the Volunteer Park criterium in June. The permit has to be issued through a nonprofit organization. TTNW will donate to the WSBA all proceeds from the beer garden after expenses are met, and the team will be responsible for liquor law compliance. Insurance for the event through USAC will cover WSBA exposure. It is anticipated that the Apex Racing team may make a similar request for the Ballard criterium. The board saw this as a possible means to help teams find new ways to cover rising jurisdictional fees for their events and hopes this first case will be successful. Board members requested that nonalcoholic beverages also be provided in the beer garden. The request was approved (Martha abstained).

A new officials class has been scheduled for April 2. The WSBA will work to incentivize teams to have some of their members become officials (two members from each team may be officials without paying an additional USAC license fee) and is also working to find ways to give new officials race-day experience before they take on one of the officiating positions at a race.

Heather reported on work to develop goals for the junior program and a focus on a monthly ride. After discussion of the junior race series and questions on whether it adds value in its present form, the board voted to suspend the series for 2017 in order to develop a more effective program.

The board voted to adjourn at 7:58.