

ARIZONA BICYCLE RACING ASSOCIATION
MINUTES OF THE 2011 PLANNING MEETING

December 11, 2011

Don Melhado, ABRA President called the meeting to order.

Don Melhado and Nancy Ellis have served their term on the ABRA Board and decided not to run again. Don introduced the new ABRA Board for 2012/2013 as follows:

Kiral (Tom) Thompson, President
Edward "Nippy" Feldhake, Vice President
Alan Fischer, Secretary
Melanie Meyers Colavito, Treasurer
Marty Ryerson, Member at Large

Junior Incentive Checks were distributed

There was a discussion concerning the Official Rebate Checks. At the 2010 planning meeting for the 2011 season, members voted for a ½ reimbursement for 2011. A suggestion was made to waive the rebates and put the money into an infrastructure fund with an eye toward infrastructure (in this case the discussion centered on chip timing). Some teams rely on the rebate checks more than others and might require the money in order to help ensure adequate officiating. Marty reminded everyone that the decision was already made for 2011 at the last planning meeting and that we should not overturn that decision retroactively. A vote was called for 2012 to determine whether ABRA should grant half reimbursements as in 2011 or no reimbursements. The vote was taken with a final tally of 12 in favor of half disbursements, 10 in favor of no disbursements, and 2 abstained. A further suggestion was made that teams should be given the option of accepting their rebate or contributing it toward the infrastructure fund. There appeared to be a consensus, so no vote was taken. Don Melhado indicated he would send an e-mail to all clubs to determine what they wanted to do with their rebates.

The race calendar was discussed. There were no specific conflicts noted, although the U of A Criterium discussed scheduling issues. Several new races were added and Don Melhado will send out the updated calendar.

Nancy gave a brief financial update.

Don introduced George Heagerty, USAC Regional Coordinator who spoke about:

- Annual License rebate for sale of annual licences by clubs/promoters
- USAC Insurance options
- Race director certification
- USAC results and ranking system
- USAC online registration system - .40 cents per entry back to the promoter and association.
- Electronic signature

The meeting was adjourned.