



SWMS Meeting Minutes

March 21, 2023

General

Note: This board meeting was held via the internet-based Zoom video conferencing application.

The meeting was called to order at 6:08PM by Vice President L. Haynes.

Attendance: J. Colbert, L. Haynes, T. Wolicki, V. Yarberry, A. Sanford, M. Luders, J. Slenes, S. Marino, S. Claunch, S. Brown, B. Lee, E. Cahan

Announcements from the President and Board Members:

- Motion to approve the 2/2023 meeting minutes was moved and seconded.

Treasurer's Report

- A comprehensive treasurer's report is generated by J. Colbert in Excel format, in the form of a monthly, running summary. These documents are sent out separately to the Board. A snapshot is provided below:

Beginning balance for March 2023	\$15,199.98
Deposits	+5,595.85 [membership and entry fees for Winter Series Race II]
Withdrawals	-5,164.17 [track rental, transponder rental, worker drinks for Winter Series Race II]
Estimated Ending balance Reported for March 2023	\$15,631.66

- Motion to approve the prior treasurers' report was moved and seconded.
- Treasurer's Notes:
 - The February and early March financials remain very healthy
 - Winter series races have seen SWMS achieve a financial buffer from ~\$10,000 now up to ~\$15,000
 - Increases attributed to:
 - 30+ 2023 season memberships
 - No insurance expenses for Winter Series Races (carry over from 2022 policy)
 - Stellar car counts and membership enthusiasm. Winter Series Race II on Sunday had 33 entries and a total of 44 entries for the weekend

Events and Races

- **Winter Series Race 2:**
 - Event planning is well under way and looking good
 - Note that S. Claunch's dad will not be available to instruct fire training during the Tech Day/Training Day
 - SWMS to check with J. Johnson, though his schedule is expected to be busy
 - Contacting the Bernalillo County Fire Department was also discussed

- **April Race: SPRINGTIME IN THE DESERT, April 15th and 16th**
 - Chief Steward: B. Lee
 - Race Chair: L. Haynes
 - Status:
 - Food sourcing being worked, track appears to be planning to have food truck to support Saturday dirt oval sessions

Old Business

- **2023 Insurance Renewal**
 - SWMS has contacted the insurance provider
 - April and May race weekends will be added to the 2022 policy and at the same 2022 pricing
 - Formal renewal for 2023 occurs in May
 - 2023 prices are expected to be up to 25% higher than the 2022 policy pricing of approximately \$600 per 2-day weekend
 - Updates on SWMS versus Track insurance policy needs
 - Being researched if insurance can be simplified for 2023
 - At present, the track rental policy does require SWMS to have its own, separate policy for each race weekend
- **MSR Usage Statistics**
 - For Winter Series Race II, approximately 2/3rd of entries have been processed via MSR
 - For 2023, 60-70% of annual memberships have been processed via MSR
 - 25-30% of Winter Series Race II entries have incomplete MSR profile data (address, car type, transponder, ect)
 - A. Sanford and J. Colbert to review if each class of car can be separated out into its own registration group within MSR to aid timing and scoring setup
- **Procedure Work (B. Richards)**
 - B. Richards not available during meeting to provide any updates on any procedure work that might be going on

New Business

- **New Board Member Needed**
 - Unfortunately, board member at large, R. Kells, is no longer able to serve in his role.
 - SWMS is looking for nominations for a replacement for this role
 - B. Lee suggested SWMS try to attract new recruits, outside of existing board members (past or present)
- **Race Chairs for 2023 Events:**
 - March Weekend: J. Stoughton
 - April Weekend: L. Haynes
 - May Weekend: L. Pittsley
 - June Weekend: J. Colbert
 - July Weekend: A. Sanford
 - August Weekend: S. Claunch
 - September Weekend: Kart Group (E. Cahan not available this weekend)

- October Weekend: M. Travers
- **Worker Topic(s)**
 - T. Wolicki reinforced that lunches are important and necessary for workers
 - L. Haynes and J. Colbert to see if new track management is open to SWMS bringing off site food services
 - Additionally, checks are being made to see if the track is considering food services
 - Safety Exclusion Area at the end of the grand stands:
 - L. Haynes purchases red danger barrier tape to better mark off these zones
 - Worker Headsets:
 - SWMS planning to get more over-the-ear headsets
 - While it was confirmed that “FBI” style ear inserts are available to workers, not all workers use these
 - S. Marino mentioned that headsets that work with SWMS radio equipment are available online at Two Way Direct
 - Timing and Scoring Observations (V. Yarberry)
 - On day one of Winter Series Race II, trackside internet/WiFi was inconsistent
 - J. Colbert noted that he understood the track was working on WiFi access improvements
 - A. Sanford researched and while Wix certainly offers additional @swms.org email addresses via Google Workspace, each additional address is \$81 per year
 - Short hand, 2-digit labeling of the track’s 24 rental transponder numbers is working well, thanks to Marci’s notes

The meeting was adjourned at 6:49PM

The next Board meeting will be held on 18-Apr-23. See separate upcoming email for Zoom instructions.