

**Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting
of the
Northern California Velodrome Association (NCVA)
October 17, 2018, 7:00 PM, Sports Basement Campbell**

Pursuant to notice duly given, a meeting of the Board of Directors (the "Board") of the NORTHERN CALIFORNIA VELODROME ASSOCIATION, a nonprofit California corporation (the "NCVA"), was held in person at Sports Basement in Campbell, commencing at approximately 7:00 PM.

In Attendance: Bill Nighan; Kira Maximovich (calling in); Annabell Holland; Sara Stearns; guest, Erik Salander; guest, Matt Martinez

1. **Introductions were made** – Stelios McDonald resigned, Mark Rodamaker is on a business trip, Bob Cronin resigned previously.

2. Board Director Reports:

2A. Treasurer's Report (Sarah Trent)

- **Total in Accounts:**
 - Sarah was not present. She sent an email to the Board saying she will need to transition treasurer duties to another Board member due to a change in her personal schedule. Annabell suggested finding people to pick up monies and make deposits. Kira said that we needed to find a new bank. Annabell suggested approaching Lisa Kiratsous about doing the interim treasurer work for Sarah, and perhaps after a year or so of working with Sarah, taking over the Treasurer duties. Annabell said she'd talk to Lisa.

2B. Vice-President's Report (Annabell Holland)

- Annabell proposed that the minutes through May approved so they can be posted. All approved doing so.
- See "Supervisor Committee" for more comments from Annabell.

2C. Secretary Report (Sara Stearns)

- Minute transposition was in progress.

3. Committee Updates

3A. Infrastructure (Kira Maximovich, Chair)

- Kira talked about the benches, regarding how much money we would like to reimburse the Boy Scouts. The benches they built were smaller than expected. Kira felt a \$500 reimbursement was reasonable. The Board agreed and supported Kira's decision unanimously.
- Kira said she'd been busy and had not been able to do much else for infrastructure. She had been in touch with the Eagle Scout who wanted to work on the judge's stand. She felt it would take about six days to do, and the track should be closed while he works. Kira said she would follow up with the Scout.
- Bill spoke with the paint contractor and reported they'd take three days, and would likely be able to begin work in November. Matt suggested Thursday through Sunday, and have the Scouts piggyback with the paint crew to minimize closure time.
- Bill said one of the railboard sponsors is a soils engineer, who expressed interest in evaluating turns 1 & 2 banking. He said he would need to see what was done during the 2007-2008.

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Project. Annabell said she didn't have the as-built drawings for the banking, but the County would. Bill said he would ask Jamie (of the County) for the "As Bults", the engineering specifications.

3B. Scheduling (Bill Nighan, Chair)

- Bill said he didn't have too much to report, things had calmed down since Masters Worlds. Annabell said she'd like to coordinate the 2019 schedule in advance with supervisors and promoters.

3C. Sponsorship (Sarah Trent, Chair)

- Bill said he would like to work on sponsorship for the next year.
- Kira said she would like to find out how much it would cost to install a "squirrel guard" on the bottom of the railboards. The Board felt it was a good idea.

3D. Upgrades (Annabell Holland)

- Bill said, in talking with Matt Martinez, that the upgrades had been progressing smoothly. Matt spoke about the process. A racer goes to the Hellyer website, and uses the link that sends the upgrade information to USAC and enters their information. That information is then sent to Mike Hardaway of the NCNCA Upgrade Committee. He sends the information to Daryl, Matt and John Simmons. Matt suggested adding Annabell to the email list because she is a Board Member. Matt said it is very straight forward and most of the racers have met the requirements. USAC recognizes that all tracks are not under USAC, only half are. However, they understand that they have to recognize all tracks because they do not want to cut off that avenue of upgrade opportunity. They recognize the value of allowing riders to upgrade.

3E. Supervisors (Bill Nighan, acting)

- Annabell said she is trying to recruit people to fill supervisor slots. Lisa Kiratsous and MaryAnn Levenson both indicated interest in becoming supervisors.
- Matt Martinez suggested a business in San Ramon who offer first aid training that is good for two years. Matt said he would check with Tim Burgess of the NCNCA on who to contact regarding the training. Annabell said we reimburse for the training and it would not require a coordinated effort.
- Bill said he is pleased to see how the supervisor coverage has been working out. There have been few holes in the schedule for Saturdays, there are five supervisors for Saturdays.
- Annabell said it is time to clean up the supervisor list. There are people on the list who have not run a Hellyer session for over two years.

4. NEW or OTHER BUSINESS

- Website. Aldene has been working on a new template and we will be switching to "Hellyervelodrome.com" in the future. "Ridethetrack.com" will also be retained and

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redirected. The website is close to going live. We viewed the website and it looks cleaner, better. Erik Salander has done a lot of work with links to results, track records, and other information. He's done a lot of detailed work. He said more clean is in the works.

- Peter Bohl passed away. Bess Hernandez has been working on a memorial for Peter, when the time is right. Bill said a memorial plaque would be nice. Also, naming the track after Peter was suggested, but the County probably would not allow it. We could name parts of the facility after him. Matt said that Alpenrose put a bench as a memorial at the entrance of the track. He suggested we do that for Peter at Hellyer, along with a plaque on the back of it. A railboard in memory of Peter could also be done, being maintained as necessary. A friend of Peter's, Bob Wence (?), used to come to the track with Peter all the time, and they would sit in two specific spots on the bleachers. He suggested we paint two spots on the bleachers in honor of their friendship. A bench, a board, and the two spots in the bleachers would be a great memorial. Annabell suggested a chair for Peter in the infield. Sara suggested a "caricature" sculpture of Peter be placed somewhere at the track. Annabell suggested a brass plaque at the entrance, as well as the chair. Kira liked the idea of something in the infield for the riders to remember Peter by. Bess Hernandez-Jones and LaLa Enrique are heading up the memorial effort and the Boards ideas will be shared with them. Annabell offered to follow up.
- Matt Martinez spoke about his plans for the 2019 season. He hoped to run a women's race during the first week of July. However, the Elite and Junior Nationals were scheduled for the first weekend of July at VELO Sports Center (all Nationals would be held at VSC in 2019). Matt is still going to do the race, and Alpenrose and Marymoor will adjust their schedules to help facilitate the race at Hellyer. Matt wants to do an Elite women's field and a Masters women's field. He has not decided on the age groups yet. He wanted to gauge interest first. It would be endurance, keirins, sprints, mass starts. It will pay for wins. Matt was determined to get the SoCal, Alpenrose and Marymoor women involved.
- Matt said that USAC will be doing a Juniors National Series at various tracks around the country. The asked if Matt would be interested in hosting one at Hellyer, combined with the women's event in July.
- Matt said the USAC approached him about Masters Nationals in 2020 at Hellyer. Masters dates are not set in stone. We would be responsible for \$8000 to \$10000 of the expense, USAC would cover the rest. Matt said we would get all of the registration proceeds. 400 riders estimated, \$75 per event. Kira asked if having the Nationals two years in a row on the west coast would affect turnout. Matt pointed out that Nats has been on the east coast for the past three or four years, as well as Indianapolis (Carolina, Indy, Carolina, T-Town). Annabell and Matt both indicated that riders would prefer a 333 to the indoor 250 (VSC) and we would likely get a large turnout. Plus, we have weather in our favor. Matt said the big part is volunteers. He said that he discovered that Home Depot and Kohls provide employees as a community service to help run events. Matt said we could split them up over the course of the event and have them work "simple little things". It would take a huge burden off of the Hellyer community. There was a plethora of volunteer resources available to tap into. Erik said there are plenty of people in the local Bay Area clubs to draw volunteers from. Matt said he has experience in what to do and not to do. However, we need to work on the infrastructure, which will cost a considerable amount of money, as well as time.

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Because of that, there is concern that we need a lot of lead time to prepare for such an event. Matt said the USAC realizes that and they are trying to provide that lead time. Matt wants the USAC to come to our track to see it. Infrastructure was discussed. We would not need start gates because they are considered an unfair advantage. Only three tracks in the US have them. Elite Nationals and Junior Nationals require them because those races are a qualifier for a world event, but not Masters Nationals. Bill wanted Matt to commit to being the champion for it. He expressed concern about the volunteer base. Matt said volunteers would not be an issue. Annabell said we needed the extra eight months because of permitting issues to get some of the infrastructure repairs made, so we need to know as soon as possible. It was imperative that we know by the end of January 2019.

- Matt said he is going to run a sprint series for 2019. It will be a round robin event with a seeding sprint. Bill requested it be out of phase with the LAVRA Monday Night Sprints so they didn't conflict. Annabell asked about having a time trial series. Matt and Annabell may collaborate on that.
- Insurance was brought up. Matt said ATRA has D&O insurance. It is an additional insurance with USAC. USAC is perceived as big, so they DO get sued a lot, where ATRA does not, because the track community is small and family oriented. Matt will review a motorpace policy that ATRA has. It is NOT insurance, it is a standards and procedures policy. There was discussion about motorpace policy and insurance coverage.
- Start gates. VSC sold their gates to San Diego. John Walsh said "they were getting the gates". The selling price was very low. Mike Gladu bought the Frisco gates for \$300. He plans to rent them out. Annabell pointed out that the gates would be difficult to use at Hellyer because of the different start lines we have. The gates have to be adjusted for each position. Not easy, a lot of work. They also require a lot of maintenance.
- Kira said in order to get people out to races we need races. Annabell said we could have a Women's Fun Day to pique interest among the women. She and Bess were talking about doing this. She suggested a mentor/new rider format. Mentor free, new rider \$10. The format would be intro type stuff. The Board approved the motion to do that.

Bill Nighan made a motion to adjourn the meeting at approximately 8:47 PM, the motion was unanimously supported.

Sara Stearns; recording the minutes of the October 2018 NCVA Board Meeting