

MnDRA Board Meeting Minutes

MARCH 12, 2016, Saturday

Board members present as follows; Teresa Fett, President, Dale Lunde, Vice President, Sandy Fett, Treasurer, Holly Egerer, Secretary, Lynn Reichert, Past President, and Carmen Stueck, Director at Large.

There were no trail fund requests sent to any of the board members , we will announce at the meeting that members can send a trail fund request to any of the MnDRA board member before April 1st and then the board will vote on who the recipient is considering what trails have received a donation in the past.

Sandy went over how she has changed the treasurer's report since Joan Theil went over the books and suggested a more correct way to put the report together for presentation to the general membership.

By-laws changes in place, Ken Meyer had questioned some of the by-laws regarding meeting notifications but after review he was stating what was in the by-laws before the revision that was voted on last year so no further discussion was needed on this subject.

Discussed Kens request for a rule for Pulse Lanes and the issues of not enough help when multiple riders present for final pulse at the end of a Limited distance ride. There is no rule for this issue with UMECRA and since MnDRA is a Riders association it would be something that should be brought up at UMECRA if there is a need for a rule with this issue. The pulse lanes are just a regional thing we have come up with to help the flow of pulsing, so this would be something that ride managers could determine at their ride and announce at the riders meeting how they want the riders to present at the end of an LD. We will bring up this issue at the general meeting just as an announcement.

MnDRA sponsored Ride Manager's meeting, Dr. Dean requested the Ride Managers get paid \$200 for the weekend and another \$200 for trail marking, and the timer paid (\$50 per day) \$100 for the weekend. Also Dr. Dean suggested decreasing the vet fee from \$400 down to \$350. The ride managers do not want to get paid because they want the money to go to the club since the rides are held as a fund raiser for the club. They did feel the timer should get paid so this will be discussed at the general meeting and the membership can decide if they want to vote on this.

Diane discussed the nomination and voting process for Rider Representative for UMECRA and the need for a definition of a representative from each state for equal representation on the board. Dianne would like to present a petition to the UMECRA board on behalf of the MnDRA membership. This will be presented to the general membership at the meeting today to be determined.

Diane also presented her requests for the 2017 UMECRA general meeting she is planning in Rochester. She is requesting help with costs and volunteers from MnDRA and will present her ideas at the General membership meeting.

Adjourned at 3:10