## **PACRAT Board meeting minutes**

## Board of directors meeting September 18,2023

7: 00PM at 6256mSE Scott Drive, Portland, and Zoom Video Communication

Board members Present: Ulla Brunette, Dan Lane, Mark Crawford, Bob Lawrence, Dale Parshall, Sheri Parshall, Mark Conan, Brian Bogatin, Peter Dodd, Marina Nimmo, Greg Dilger, Christian Bennett, Mark Stanford, Andy Hobart.

## 1. The following people were appointed by unanimous decision as Directors at large:

- Andy Hobart- Race Scheduling/operations
- Peter Dodd- Race operations
- Bob Lawrence- Webmaster
- Marina Nimmo -Director of communications
- Christian Bennett- Director of Rat Patrol
- Mark Conan -Past chair
- 2. Andy Hobart moved to adopt the September 18, 2023, minutes. Seconded by Marina Nimmo. Motion passed.
- 3. Treasurer's report- Brian Bogatin
  - A 2023 2024 draft budget was provided.
  - Recommendation to increase the racer fees, Active Network fees and race awards expense.
  - o The final budget will be adopted at the November Board meeting.
  - Mark Conan made a motion to raise racer fees to \$145.00. Seconded by Brian Bogatin. Motion passed unanimously.
- 4. Committee Reports submitted:
  - Andy Hobart-race scheduling/operations
    - o Andy is working with Ski Resorts to get approval for the preferred race dates.
    - o Laura Green Memorial race will take place on the 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend of April 2024.
  - Peter Dodd-Active Network
    - Active annual rate increased from 6.5% to 6.82% this year.
    - A committee was formed to review other online registration options for next year.
    - Committee members: Andy Hobart, Peter Dodd, Marina Nimmo, Dale Parshall.
  - Mark Conan-NASTAR 2024 club agreement, FWRA insurance.
    - NASTAR's fee for 2024 is \$1,500 and the agreement would be in effect starting January 1,2024.
    - Ulla and Mark will discuss with NASTAR about making amendments to the agreement.
    - Dale Parshall will contact NASTAR about pacesetters before the contract is signed.
  - Sheri Parshall-Party director update.
    - o Ken Loop is able to donate wine again for the PACRAT events.
    - Sheri will start looking into venues for this season.
  - Mark Crawford-sponsorship director.
    - o Grafletics, PDX Sliders and Rogue Ales will continue as sponsors.
    - Mark will contact Xevo Optics and Hillcrest for interest in donating.
    - PACRAT is partnering with Columbia Sportswear. Members are invited to access the employee store from December 1-24<sup>th</sup>, where 10% of each purchase will be donated back to the PACRAT.

- Bob Lawrence-website.
  - Working on adding a link for the Mt. Hood Cultural center on the PACRAT website, and in exchange, the Cultural center will have a link on their website for PACRAT.
- Christian Bennett- Rat Patrol & equipment inventory.
  - o Christian mentioned that Schnee Vogeli Ski Club will not be hosting the Master race this year.
  - o Purchased arm bands and 1 drill bit.
  - o Looking into corrosion resistant wiring for the timing equipment.
- Dan Mancuso Recruiting events.
  - o Snowvana -November 3, 2023. Looking for volunteers for the PACRAT booth.
  - o Skis will be purchased from Hillcrest for the Snowvana raffle prize.
  - o PACRAT 101 December 6, 2023 at Hillcrest Ski & Sports, from 6:00 to 8:30 PM.
  - Wild Mike's Pizza and beverages will be provided at PACRAT 101.
  - Look into possibilities of having a table at the Mt. Hood Cultural Center's "Heritage Night" and the Lake Oswego Ski swap for PACRAT recruiting.

## 5. Race Pins.

- A discussion about weather pins should still be handed out. Some racers have mentioned that they
  prefer not to have a pin and it is an extra expense.
- o Mark Stanford mentioned that PACRAT is obligated by NASTAR to hand out.
- 6. Next Board meeting will be on November 20, 2023.

Meeting adjourned 8:30 P.M.