



AHRMA Board Meeting
July 17, 2017 (Second 2017 Board Meeting)
New Jersey Motorsports Park; Millville, NJ

The meeting was called to order at 8:03am by AHRMA's Chairman of the Board, Carl Anderson.

In attendance were Executive Director Dave Lamberth, Communications Director Matt Hilgenberg, and Trustees Carl Anderson (Chairman), Tom Bentley, Kevin Burns, Luke Conner, Fred Guidi, Mark Hatten, Louis LeBlanc, Debbie Poole, Rob Poole (Secretary), Pat Riley, Beno Rodi and Kelly Shane (Treasurer).

Open Session

The meeting began in open session, with the first topic being the approval of the minutes of the first 2017 Board of Trustees meeting, held April 10 in Willows, CA. Conner wanted additional wording added to minutes to reflect comments at that meeting from former Trustee Dick Mann, and made a motion to table the minutes approval until later in the meeting, once wording was crafted. Shane seconded the motion. The vote was 12-0 in favor.

Treasurer's and Executive Director's Reports

The balance in the two RBC Investment accounts as of June 30, 2017 was \$240,173.56. A total of \$8407 was deposited in the Benevolent Fund investment account, the majority of which came from a donation by *Motorcycle Classics* magazine, proceeds raised by the auction sale of a project bike.

Lamberth advised that financial results for the fiscal year through June showed excess revenue over expense of \$77,215.80 as compared to a budgeted excess of expense over revenue of \$6477.31, resulting in a positive variance of \$70,738.49. Cash flow was reported as strong, with \$122K in the operating account.

AHRMA membership stood at 3140 on July 14. Lamberth had been contacting lapsed/expired members with a postcard campaign through the United States Postal Service. He said it had been very effective and inexpensive. Shane asked why this work was not being done by the Membership Office; Lamberth replied that the process required strong skills in managing Excel spreadsheet information, which was relatively quick and simple to complete through the National Office.

Finally, event attendance was reviewed. It was noted that event post-entry numbers were significant at every off-road event. Follow-up on Weekend Memberships with a souvenir program and offer to convert to full membership was discussed.

The meeting went into recess at 9:04am.

The meeting reconvened at 9:24am in open session.

Member Open Comment Session

The member comment session began Bill Doran, Ken Mertz and Tim Tripp in attendance.

The Trustees and AHRMA staff introduced themselves to the members in attendance.

Twenty-four-year member Doran thanked the Board members for their efforts. He had attended the previous weekend's AMA Vintage Motorcycle Days at Mid-Ohio, and reported that they were quite complimentary of AHRMA at the roadrace riders' meeting. He estimated that the roadrace participation was 10-percent vintage machinery, with the rest being a modern WERA-sanctioned event. The swap meet and motocross race was well attended.

New member Tripp said he attended the meeting to see how the process worked and listen to some of the 2018 rules proposals. He outlined a fundraising plan he was working on, which included a possible book deal, for Erik Buell.

The Member Open Comment Session ended and the meeting continued in open session at 9:40am.

Hatten made a motion to untable the April meeting minutes approval process, Shane seconded. The vote was 12-0 in favor.

Hatten presented wording to be added to the minutes of the First Meeting: *"Hatten asked Dick Mann, who was in attendance, if he could provide insight into the intent of this section of the Bylaws, as Mann was one of the original Trustees. Mann said the rule was intended to be "black and white" – if you miss three meetings in a row, that seat is vacated. There would be no exceptions and the only action needed from the Trustees would be to appoint a new Trustee to fill the vacated seat."*

Burns made a motion to accept the wording and approve the minutes, R. Poole seconded. The vote was 12-0 in favor.

Riley made a motion to move into closed session, Hatten seconded. The vote was 12-0 in favor. The meeting moved into closed session at 9:45am.

The meeting went into recess at 10:52am.

The meeting reconvened at 11:11am in closed session.

Open Session

The meeting moved into open session at 11:16am, and a review of the 2018 rules proposals began (see separate document).

The meeting went into lunch recess at 12:05am.

The meeting reconvened at 12:15am in open session

The review of 2018 rules proposals continued.

The meeting went into recess at 1:51pm.

The meeting reconvened at 2:05pm in open session.

The review of 2018 rules proposals continued.

The meeting went into recess at 3:50pm.

The meeting reconvened at 4:02pm in open session.

The review of 2018 rules proposals continued.

At the conclusion of preliminary voting on the 2018 rules proposals, the meeting moved into closed session.

The meeting moved into open session.

Other Business

Rodi stated that he would like to have each competition discipline be on separate days at AHRMA's cornerstone events. Lamberth and Guidi felt that such a schedule would not work well due to mid-week events and the demand on members' time.

Burns made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Guidi seconded. The vote was 12-0 in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 5:24pm

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