

395 CONCOURSE MINUTES FOR THE JULY 18, 2009 MEETING

ROLL CALL – President Martha Delgado called the meeting to order at 1005 hours. Club delegates were present from AVC, SBV, Y2K, FWY, WFI, CNA, PAL, EAV, RIC, and VIP. Clubs without representatives were WEF, SD, COR and PCI. A **quorum** was present since a majority of the active clubs and delegates were present.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS – The minutes for the June meeting were read and approved.

PROPOSALS FOR MEMBERSHIP – None.

FINANCIAL REPORT – Treasurer Larry Landweer stated the checking account balance is \$5,569.10 and balances with the June bank statement. The Concourse is in very good financial condition. The combination of San Diego clubs flying with us, the addition of the six sprint races and with the help of our driver, Grant Gilman, we have no payables other than the planned pay back to the clubs for the second set of crates.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES/COMMUNICATIONS – Martha and Fred Rocha, Chairman of the Concourse/Combine committee, discussed the progress made on this issue. The committee is leaning towards the addition of sections rather than the four tiers of organizations listed in the June meeting. Both of them described the issue as a work in progress and hoped to bring several options back to the August meeting.

Tim Ross, our webmaster, described the website committee meetings as a work in progress as well and expected to bring several recommendations to subsequent meetings.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – While preparing for the possible chartering of the Concourse with the AU we discovered we don't have Bylaws for all our present 14 clubs. The following clubs need to send in their Bylaws into Larry: AVC, CNA, PAL and WEF. If you need help call Larry or Martha.

If you haven't already given Rollie your best guesstimate of birds to be shipped to the 1st YB race please do so as he needs to get the crates apportioned properly.

Rollie reports that Grant is working on a project to improve the drainage of our water troughs on the trailer and the cost will likely be about \$45.

The numbered lead seals vs. plastic ties issue tabled from the last meeting was discussed. A motion was made by Tim, seconded by Rollie, to allow the clubs to decide which type seals to use and whether they want to seal the big door in addition to the required sealing of the small door. The motion passed once Ron Whitmer found that the AU only requires the doors to be "sealed" and does not require that numbered lead seals be used.

NEW BUSINESS – Martha brought up the AU rule that states that there is to be one diploma for every 20 birds shipped or one diploma for every five lofts shipping.

Ron Whitmer presented a list of Bylaw changes needed such as GPS (only using WAAS enabled units) readings vs. Bowen Surveys, nominating committees, dealing with dues paying members in two or more clubs, publishing meeting minutes on the website rather than mailing etc. He feels our Bylaws need to be brought up date. The list was tabled until the August meeting to allow review by the clubs. Call Ron if you need a copy of the list.

(Continue New Business)

Steve Whitmer brought up some discrepancies reported to him on flyers and clubs in the OB season. Tim stated he believed any infractions that can't be resolved at the club level should be brought to the Concourse in writing to be resolved. Martha thought that the Race Committee could rule on some of these issues as they occur. She will be fine tuning who the individual members on this committee will be shortly and try to give broad representation. The consensus was that written complaints could be handled either at Concourse meetings or by the Race Committee depending on the issue involved.

The meeting adjourned at 1142 hours. The next meeting will be on the 3rd Saturday of August at the Brunswick Bowling Alley at 24666 Sunnymede Blvd (runs parallel and just south of Hwy 60) in Moreno Valley at 1000 hours.

Respectfully submitted by Larry Landweer, Secretary/Treasurer