

## **USLRA – Board of Directors Meeting**

### **Meeting Minutes**

**February 16, 2010**

Opening:

The monthly meeting of the USLRA Board of Directors was called to order at 8:05 PM CST on February 16, 2010 by Shana Martin.

Present: Shana Martin, Margaret Bulk, Alex Waite, Scott Lynch, Jon Berard, Olivia Judd, Doug Goodmundson

Not Present: Taylor Duffy

### **Approval of Minutes**

Shana moved to approve the previous meeting minutes from November 14, 2009. Alex seconded the motion and the minutes were unanimously approved.

### **Elect Treasurer**

This issue has been tabled until the next meeting. Jon and Kathy are willing to meet with and help whoever eventually takes over the position. Shana is going to talk with Kathy and Taylor (who was not present) might be a possibility as well.

### **2011 Ranking System**

Concerns have been raised dealing with the freezing of points if a competitor takes a year off. A possible solution would be to come back with only a percentage of points as opposed to a full freeze. The different number of high level tournaments may need to be taken into consideration in regards to this new way of dealing with this.

There was a lengthy discussion dealing with the ranking points (if any) that should be given out in closed invitational events. The following options were discussed thoroughly:

- No points will be given for closed invitational events
- Allow a competitor to count points from only 1 closed invitational event
- Partial points will be awarded for closed invitational events (won't be worth as much as an open Level 1 tournament)

Jon will bring our thoughts and ideas back to the ranking committee where they will decide which method they want to implement.

If there is only 1 open level 1 tournament a year, then the top 4 competitors are automatically invited to any closed invitational events.

#### Committees

- Rules, Regulations, and Officials – Alex
- Communication – Shana with the help of Maggie in addition to Travis – Olivia willing to help
- Super Series – Shana (Donna handled it in the past – Shana will ask if she is willing to do it again)
- Sanctioning, Tournaments, and Property Management – Pat? (Need to promote the rental equipment)
- Networking and Membership Assistance – Maggie with help from Shana - Olivia will help
- Rankings – Scott will get involved with this committee (Doug helping)
- Legal Affairs – Alex & mishmash group

#### 2010 Membership Rates

Need to add a new member signup deal. Possibly a new member package that gives the competitor ID card and annual membership at a discount. Shana will put together a draft and it will be discussed and voted on during the next call.

#### World Championships

Diane has contacted Shana about having the championships at LWC. While still early, no other competition has come forward as an option. Will discuss this at a later date.

#### Communication

##### Articles for the next newsletter

- New logrolling program in Sacramento
- Upcoming tournaments
- Logroller Bio
- Membership Form

## **Charitable Funds**

They are going to have a meeting in Madison at the end of March. They are leaning towards purchasing logs from either Jamie or JR. They are also looking for ideas of places to contact to get programs started. They are thinking about using some of the money to award adherence badges in order to motivate new rollers to stick with the program. More updates to come...

## **Adjournment:**

Meeting was adjourned at 9:03 PM CST by Shana Martin. The next board meeting will be at 8:00 PM CST on March 9, 2010 via conference call.

Minutes submitted by: Margaret Bulk

## **USLRA – Board of Directors Meeting**

Meeting Minutes

March 9, 2010

## **Opening:**

The monthly meeting of the USLRA Board of Directors was called to order at 8:06 PM CST on March 9, 2010 by Shana Martin.

**Present:** Shana Martin, Margaret Bulk, Olivia Judd, Doug Goodmundson, Scott Morris, Pat Burns

**Not Present:** Taylor Duffy, Alex Waite

## **Approval of Minutes**

Shana moved to approve the previous meeting minutes from November 14, 2009. Pat seconded the motion and the minutes were unanimously approved.

## **Ranking Committee Report**

- Change to Log Rolling Rankings: “The current world champion will be automatically invited to an invitational tournament.”
  - 7 Yes, 1 Abstention
- Change to Log Rolling Rankings: “When an athlete does not compete in a season they will receive 60% of their points upon returning the next season. If a shift in points has occurred (change in major tournaments or points allocations compared to the competitors year off), their points will be pro-rated before the 60%

allocation is applied. If they choose not to compete for more than one season, their ranking points will return to zero.”

- 8 Yes
- Change to Boom Run Rankings: Definition of an open boom tournament – Available for anyone to enter with elite status or 18 years of age. U17 competitors who have placed third or higher in the U17 or Semi-Pro divisions at the previous ILRA World Championships may also compete in the boom run at level III tournaments, but will not receive points. Only Elite division log rollers or competitors 18 years of age or older can compete at the ILRA World Championships and US Nationals.
  - 8 Yes
- Change to Boom Run Rankings: Invitational tournaments will not be awarded points.
  - 5 Yes, 3 No
- Change to Boom Run Rankings: When an athlete does not compete in a season they will receive 60% of their points upon returning the next season. If a shift in points has occurred (change in major tournaments or points allocations compared to the competitors year off), their points will be pro-rated before the 60% allocation is applied. If they choose not to compete for more than one season, their ranking points will return to zero.
  - 8 Yes

Rule Committee Report – Nothing to report.

#### LWC Discussion

Shana motioned to approve LWC as the USLRA/ILRA World Championships. Scott seconded the motion and it was unanimously passed. The dock is going to be rebuilt this year and the dimensions for the boom are being released to Jamie Fischer.

#### Communications Committee Report

Newsletter – Next newsletter coming out around the weekend of the 13th.

Website – Rankings and new rules will be updated as soon as all of the information has been finalized.

#### Membership Committee Report

Shana motioned for the competition license, which last year was free as a promotion, to have a onetime fee of \$15. Olivia seconded the motion. Pat was the only objection and the motion passed.

Olivia has been tasked with finding any email address updates.

#### Super Series Update

Donna will be handling the super series again this year. The tournaments will be the same as last year's series.

#### **Treasurer**

Nate and Taylor do not want the responsibility of being treasurer. However, they are willing to help Shana for the time being. Position is still empty, but Shana will be filling in for now.

#### **Adjournment:**

Meeting was adjourned at 8:50 PM CST by Shana Martin. The next board meeting will be at 8:00 PM CST on April 15, 2010 via conference call.

Minutes submitted by: Margaret Bulk

### **USLRA – Board of Directors Meeting**

Meeting Minutes

April 15, 2010

#### **Opening:**

The monthly meeting of the USLRA Board of Directors was called to order at 8:06 PM CST on April 15, 2010 by Shana Martin.

**Present:** Shana Martin, Margaret Bulk, Alex Waite, Taylor Duffy, Doug Goodmundson, Scott Morris, Pat Burns

**Not Present:** Olivia Judd

#### **Approval of Minutes**

Shana moved to approve the previous meeting minutes from February 16, 2010. Pat seconded the motion and the minutes were unanimously approved.

#### **Ranking Committee Report – Nothing to report**

Rule Committee Report

There are no committee members yet. Alex will review and send out for comments.

Communications Committee Report

Website Update: Maggie and Travis are working on the design for the new database. Also, Maggie is going to get a price quote from a graphic designer for the website.

### Membership Committee Report

- Membership cards need to be bought using the USLRA debit card – Shana will be taking care of this.
- Please encourage all students to get their memberships sent in. Also, none of the board members have sent in their memberships – GET ON THAT!
- Members will have an ID number assigned to them with the new database. There currently isn't any numerical identification on the membership cards, but this is something that we might want to implement that in the future.

### Financial Report

Shana got the account successfully transferred to her name and deposited the first round of membership checks. The current balance on the account is \$9,914.74. There has been very limited account activity.

### Property and Sanctioning Report

Pat is going to get a hold of Chris to do an inventory report either the 1st or 3rd weekend in May.

### Patch Proposal

Need to approve spending \$440 for purchase of achievement patches. Shana motions to approve the spending of \$440 for the patches. Taylor seconded the motion and it was passed.

### Super Series Update

Donna will be getting the ball rolling with the super series after this weekend.

### Madison Clean Lakes Festival

The Madison Clean Lakes Festival wants to host a tournament with prize money this summer. They are looking at possibly hosting a men's only tournament. This is the same weekend as the STIHL Timbersports series, so many of the top women will not be present. They like the idea of just having the men's professional tournament along with an amateur competition and some demos by Madison rollers. This competition will use carpet logs. Taylor made the point that the women's field is very deep and that there are enough women who don't boom run (or didn't qualify for STIHL) to put on a good women's pro competition. Many agreed on this point but it was also pointed out that having only one pro division may help get a tournament started and a women's division can be added in subsequent years.

## **Adjournment:**

Meeting was adjourned by Shana Martin. The next board meeting will be at 8:30 PM CST on June 7, 2010 via conference call.

Minutes submitted by: Margaret Bulk

## **USLRA – Board of Directors Meeting**

Meeting Minutes  
June 7, 2010

## **Opening:**

The monthly meeting of the USLRA Board of Directors was called to order at 8:06 PM CST on April 15, 2010 by Shana Martin.

**Present:** Shana Martin, Margaret Bulk, Pat Burns, Olivia Judd

**Not Present:** Taylor Duffy, Doug Goodmundson, Scott Morris, Alex Waite

## **Approval of Minutes**

Shana moved to approve the previous meeting minutes from April 15, 2010. Pat seconded the motion and the minutes were unanimously approved.

## **Ranking Committee Report – Nothing to report (In regards to STIHL – USLRA top 8 matched their top 8)**

### Rule Committee Report

Board members need to review and approve 2010 log rolling and boom running rules. The changes include fixing awkward wording. The larger changes discussed will be held off until next year. Alex will email the changes for an email vote of approval. In regards to judges training – if there are enough people that want to be trained, then Alex and his dad will put on a training session.

### Communications Committee Report

Shana will be sending out a newsletter later this week. Anyone with article ideas should contact Shana. Jessica Berg from Grand Marais will be the featured roller. LWC will be the championships for 2010. Maggie will be contacting a web designer and getting a quote for the new site. Jon Berard has a photo collection that will be helpful for the new site.

### Membership Committee Report

The USLRA currently has 46 members. There are lots of board members who have still yet mail in their forms. Board members should remind friends, program director, and rollers to mail in their forms.

### Financial Report

The current balance on the account is \$9,849.49 (minus the patches and stamps). The check for the patches, which will be about \$500, will be written shortly. In regards to a new accountant – a friend of Shana's, who is a recent graduate, will be donating her time (or doing cheaply) the taxes for next year.

### Property and Sanctioning Report

Pat looked at the condition of the equipment. The logs haven't been used in 5 years, Pat took the 2 and 4 log for his tournament and is going to clean them up. The logs need some touchup and we might want to look into proper storage for the logs in the future – possibly implement some regulations on storage. The tank and electronic equipment is still being stored.

### Insurance/Legal

The insurance quote for the USLRA from Renee is ~\$603 for the La Crosse and Grand Marais tournament. This is not too far from what it was last year (\$567 for the 2). We typically have charged the tournament \$100 per day and the association covers the rest. Shana motions that in 2010 tournament directors wishing to have insurance through the USLRA will pay \$125 per day and the USLRA will supplement the rest. Alex seconds the motion. Pat abstains to avoid conflict since he is putting on a tournament. The motion passes.

### Patches

The patches will be sold at 67 cents per patch and \$5 for shipping each order. The idea is to sell the patches at cost and make the buyer pay for shipping. Information about the patches will go into the newsletter this weekend.

### Charitable Fund Update

The charitable fund will buy the logs and allow new programs to use a payment plan to buy the log. Once the buyer has fully paid for the log, they get to keep it. If the program doesn't work, the charitable fund will get the log back.

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned by Shana Martin at 9:15 PM CST. The next board meeting will be at 8:30 PM CST on July 12, 2010 via conference call.

Minutes submitted by: Margaret Bulk