

Canadian Racing Pigeon Union Inc.

Minutes

Tuesday January 15, 2019

Pragmatic Conferencing

Present:

President Jeff Hall, Vice President Ken King, Treasurer Al Gauvin, Secretary Sue Wiltshire, Director Robert Rotiroti, Director Ken Hutchinson, Regrets: Director Ryan Ward, Director Robert Rotiroti

Welcome and d Roll Call: President Jeff Hall welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Motion to accept the agenda as circulated

Moved by: Sue Wiltshire

Seconded by: Al Gauvin **Carried**

No conflict of Issue in regards to current agenda

Motion to accept the Minutes of November 13, 2018 as read by Sue Wiltshire

Moved by: Sue Wiltshire

Seconded by: Jeff Hall **Carried**

Finances: Treasure Al Gauvin stated all bills are paid to date. There is an order from the suppliers of Kilpatrick Mineral which should be arriving soon. The memberships are coming in daily and bands are selling well. Denise sent out a report to update the Board members for review. All finances are in order.

AGM Update: Vice President Ken King updated the board in regards to the AGM held on December 9, 2018 for those who were unable to attend. Ken stated the AGM went very well. There was good discussion from the members in regards to the CRPU matters; the minutes will be posted on the website as well in the CRPU PigeonPost. Discussions in regards to the 90th celebrations that the board is trying to set up for this year's AGM. The board members will table this at the next board meeting to get ideas in regards to this matter

CRPU PigeonPost: Secretary Sue Wiltshire stated the next publication of the CRPU PigeonPost will be the spring edition. It will be mailed to all members paid for 2019. The June edition of the post will be dedicated to the 90th celebration and will be a commemorative issue dedicated to the CRPU history. We will post on social media and website for members to help us with pictures and articles.

Motion: To publish and send the spring edition of the CRPU PigeonPost

Moved by: Sue Wiltshire

Seconded by: Ken King **Carried**

Membership Update: Vice President Ken King stated the memberships are coming in well and we have brand new members as well some who have not renewed in a few years have rejoined. Denise Luscher stated we have some international enquires for membership and the CRPU should have rules and regulations in place for international memberships. Ken Hutchinson stated that we should consider requesting a letter of reference from a national body in that country. The CRPU understands that some fanciers join other unions or federations internationally but feels all fanciers should make sure they support their own union within in their own country first and foremost. The letter would make sure these fanciers will follow the rules and regulations set out by the CRPU and are not joining our union because of issues in their own country.

Motion: To request a letter of reference from a national body or recent club when a fancier request international membership.

Moved by: Ken Hutchinson

Seconded by: Al Gauvin **Carried**

Motion: To set the price of International membership at \$75.00 Canadian.

Moved by: Al Gauvin

Seconded by: Jeff Hall **Carried**

Bylaw Issue Update: Secretary Sue Wiltshire is currently working on bylaw issues in Kitchener & Sarnia. Kitchener has a no pigeon bylaw and Sarnia has a good bylaw but one member is not in compliance with loft line. The bylaw officer sent a letter to one of our members stating they needed to remove all pigeons from their property. When we contacted the municipality the officer stated in 2008 there was a no pigeon bylaw in place. When further investigation it was founded the member had been grandfathered in and was allowed pigeons. Going forward the CRPU is working to get a pigeon bylaw in place in Kitchener and was promised this will be tabled for discussion at the council meeting. The CRPU will continue to pursue this matter.

Band Issues: The CRPU discussed the matter of off shore bands being used by some members and the CU name is being used on these bands. It is an offence to use the CU name on any bands not authorized by the union. The board will be checking OLR, race results and auction sites randomly to see if any of

these bands are being used. The CRPU is asking clubs and combines to due diligence in this matter as this has an effect on the integrity of the sport.

New Business: The CRPU board received a letter from a concerned member in regards to the awards being closed to clubs who do use open clocking. They would like to be able to apply for awards and stating this was done prior to 2010. The CRPU board will check into this matter and this will be tabled at another board meeting.

Motion to Adjourn:

Moved by: Sue Wiltshire

Seconded by: Jeff Hall Carried