

Canadian Racing Pigeon Union Incorporated

Minutes

February 7, 2017

Head Office: Tillsonburg, Ontario

7:30 p.m.

Pragmatic Conference

Attendees:

Brad Foster, Mike Taylor, Al Gauvin, Ken King, Sue Wiltshire

Acceptance of the Agenda

Motion to accept agenda as circulated

Moved by: Sue Wiltshire

Seconded by: Mike Taylor                      Carried

Acceptance of the minutes of January 11, 2017 as read

Moved by: Sue Wiltshire

Seconded by: Ken King                      Carried

Conflict of Interest

Conflict of interest was declared by Sue Wiltshire in regards to the computer quote submitted by TecRealm Technology

Action items

Finances

Al Gauvin stated the membership for 2017 now sits at 523. The feed is moving very slowly we have only sold 22 bags since September 2016. Photo Copier is now paid out. Other stock is moving well. Pellets from Versele Laga are now available at store. All bills are paid to date.

Motion: To accept financials as presented

Moved: by Al Gauvin

Seconded by: Mike Taylor                      Carried

## Computers for Office and Secretary

The board of directors discussed the matter of purchasing new computers for head office and a laptop for the secretary. The laptop will make it easier for transition as all information and files would be on laptop. Mike Taylor spoke of this at the AGM in November as the computers at the head office are outdated and need to be brought up to date. The CRPU received quotes and accepted the quote submitted by TecRealm Technology. The CRPU will purchase three new computers, main office, Treasurer and laptop for secretary. Secretary will keep all CRPU files on laptop. This will make transitions easier.

Motion: To accept quote from TecRealm for updating the computers and laptop for secretary.

Moved by: Mike Taylor

Seconded by: Ken King

Carried

## Publication Update

Mike Taylor stated we have 56 pages ready to go to print for the March 1<sup>st</sup> publication. Discussions in regards to price increase for advertising rates. Mike would like to increase advertising rates for the next publication to make sure we cover costs. Al Gauvin stated we have been including the HST in the cost but perhaps we could charge the price as listed plus HST. This would give us revenue of 13%. Mike Taylor would like us to commit to three more publications. Being June, September and December. We will find a brand for our cover page and keep the same cover except change picture inset.

Motion: To keep the advertising price as stated but charge HST on amount.

Moved by: Al Gauvin

Seconded by: Ken King

Carried

Motion: To publish four magazines per year being March, June, September and December.

Moved by: Ken King

Seconded by: Mike Taylor

Carried

## Website

Sue Wiltshire is continuing to work on website to update club and combine list. The directory is being worked on but having some issues with members not wanting all their information put in directory. Mike Taylor thoughts were to let the members decide whether they would like their info posted and to give members the opportunity to put their information into the magazine for a cost. The cost would be \$2.50 per publication. This would help offset publishing costs. Sue Wiltshire to send email to membership in regards to this matter.

The CRPU Board members will begin closed meeting in regards In-Camera

Motion: That the CRPU BOD move into a closed meeting for the purpose of considering intimate financial and personal matters that may be disclosed of such a nature, having regard to the circumstances, that the desirability of avoiding disclosure in the interest of the person affected or in the public interest outweighs the desirability of adhering to the principle that proceedings be open to the public to these matters.

Rise and Report

Sue Wiltshire will send replies to all applicants who applied for BOD position thanking them for their application.

Motion: To accept Chris Watson as director of the Canadian Racing Pigeon Union for the duration of the 2014-2017 terms

Moved by: Ken King

Seconded by: Al Gauvin

Carried

Elections 2017

All board members agree to run for the 2017-2020 term. Ken King would like to retire from his position. The CRPU board would like Ken to stay on the BOD. Ken stated that perhaps he could stay on as regional manager for western Canada. Ken's knowledge and input is important to the professionalism and daily business of the CRPU. We will check into this matter and hope Ken will consider staying on as a viable asset to the CRPU. We are currently looking for some representation in eastern Canada.

New Business

Brad Foster asked if we would consider selling Ropa B at the CRPU. Al Gauvin stated if we can get the product between 30-40% wholesale we may be able to do something. The other issue was the shelf life. Brad will call supplier and see what they can offer.

Adjournment

Motion: To adjourn meeting at 10:10p.m.

Moved by: Sue Wiltshire

Seconded by: Ken King

Carried.

