

CANADIAN RACING PIGEON UNION INCORPORATED  
DIRECTORS MEETING  
Saturday, October 09, 2010  
C.R.P.U. Convention, Stratford, Ontario

Present: N. Oud, S. Beadow, M. van der Jagt, V. Radoman, R. Hastie, O. DeVries, J. Stevenson, D. Archibald  
Guest: Brendan Cunningham (member)

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m.

#### WELCOME

M. van der Jagt welcomed the group with a special welcome to new board member D. Archibald.

Minutes from October 03, 2010 were reviewed.

MOTION: R. Hastie motioned they be accepted as amended and D. Archibald seconded the motion. CARRIED

#### CONSTITUTION

A discussion took place detailing the best method to present the new constitution to the membership. The BOD agrees the best way to achieve membership consensus is to host a meeting in a central area. The BOD agreed that the ideal timing for the meeting would be April 2, 2011 to coincide with the bi-annual, in person, BOD meeting on April 03, 2011 in order to save travel expenses. The BOD will meet in Tillsonburg at the head office to allow Directors the opportunity to see the operation first hand. It was decided that the most central and cost effective area for the members meeting would be Hamilton as the site rental will be in kind.

ACTION: V. Radoman to coordinate with the Hamilton club to allocate time and space for the members meeting. If the space is unavailable on April 2, 2011, the alternate will be April 03, 2011 with the BOD meeting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> in Tillsonburg.

#### Next Steps – CONSTITUTION

Each Director will review and comment on areas of concern, and submit for review by entire BOD.

ACTION: The BOD will meet via SKYPE on October 24, 2010 at 2pm to review the document in entirety and address each members concerns.

#### PROMOTIONS

*Web Site*-Head Office received an invoice from System Null for the discussion board; the discussion board was initially set up on a trial basis, the trial has since expired and a decision is needed on whether to keep the discussion board active or delete it.

The BOD came to the consensus that there is great value in the Discussion Board and notes that for a new discussion board, it has been rather active. The BOD agrees that more attention and better follow-up needs to take place on the site, but overall it has generated healthy interaction amongst members. The BOD feels that this Discussion Board can become an informative and safe place for members to post questions, concerns and other pigeon related information.

ACTION: N. Oud to contact Jason to determine if there will be any on-going costs associated with the Discussion Board, if it is found to be a onetime cost, the BOD agrees that it is well worth the cost and S. Beadow will issue a cheque to pay the invoice.

*Royal Winter Fair* -S. Beadow has been in contact with Sally Andrews, Sally has agreed to allow the CRPU space and she will also inform S. Beadow of any costs associated with our attendance and will seek permission for the CPRU to bring the demonstration loft and a few birds. The need for volunteers to staff the booth was discussed. The BOD feels that there will be many members interested in covering a few hours at the booth in exchange for free admission to the fair.

ACTION: Once Sally has confirmed all the information, S. Beadow will create a schedule with time slots that volunteers can sign up for and will co-ordinate with V. Radoman to inform members of this opportunity.

#### HEAD OFFICE

*Security*- M. van der Jagt questioned if a security system should be considered for the head office, the BOD agreed that it is worth looking into.

ACTION: S. Beadow to obtain quotes and share them at the next scheduled meeting for consideration by the BOD.

*Staff Safety and Training* - M. van der Jagt suggested that all staff should receive training in First Aid, CPR and WHIMIS, he further suggested that at least one staff member should be trained and certified for use of the Pump Truck. It was also discussed that safety glasses and masks should be available to staff when packaging vitamins and minerals.

ACTION: S. Beadow will coordinate with staff to set up First Aid, CPR and WHIMIS training, S. Beadow will determine the type of certification required for the CRPU's pump truck and will designate a staff member or two to complete the certification for this model. Safety glasses and masks are currently available for staff use as needed and will continue to be available as needed.

## NEW BUSINESS

### FINANCIAL

N.Oud reports that the bylaw account currently owes the General Account \$1660.00.

MOTION: N. Oud made a motion to move the money from the bylaw account to the General Account, J. Stevenson seconded the motion. CARRIED

MOTION: N. Oud made a motion to close the Bylaw account currently held by CIBC with a balance of \$449.39 and transfer these funds to the General Account. Seconded by J. Stevenson. CARRIED

MOTION: N. Oud made a motion regarding a \$50.00 donation that dates back to the 2006 Polish Fund that is still remaining in the account, he motioned that it be transferred to the General Fund. Seconded by R. Hastie. CARRIED

### BOD – RESPONSIBILITIES

New Board Member D. Archibald's responsibilities were discussed, it was determined and agreed upon by the entire BOD that D. Archibald's best fit was with the Youth Initiatives Committee due to his vast experience working with young people and his knowledge of the relations and systems involved. It was further determined that D. Archibald had many talents and skills that he could use to assist D. Baker from the head office and V. Radoman to develop promotional tools and products.

### 2011 MEMBERSHIP DUES

A discussion took place regarding the current fee structure for Jr. Memberships, the BOD agrees that fees earned from the Jr. Members were not a significant source of revenue and it would be in the best interest of the sport to allow Jr. Members a free membership including a year book to encourage more interest in the sport from the younger population.

MOTION: V. Radoman made a motion to provide membership at no cost to youth 18 years and under, including a yearbook. R. Hastie seconded. CARRIED

A discussion took place regarding general membership annual fees, it was agreed by the entire BOD that in light of this year's financial statements that fees remain the same as last year.

MOTION: O. Devries made a motion to keep membership dues the same as last year, seconded by N. Oud. CARRIED

### MEMBER FEEDBACK

Guest member B. Cunningham reported that members from different clubs be invited to attend Board meetings in the future as he found this meeting an informative and enjoyable experience. M. van der Jagt stated that members are always welcome and the entire BOD agreed that it was nice to have the feedback and member presence.

NEXT MEETING – Sunday, November 22, 2010 @ 2pm

MOTION: O. Devries made a motion to Adjourn at 4:23pm, seconded by R. Hastie. CARRIED

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M. van der Jagt, President

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J. Stevenson, Secretary