

**Canadian Racing Pigeon Union Inc.**

**Director Meeting**

**Thursday February 26, 2015**

**8:00 p.m.**

**Headquarters: Tillsonburg, On.**

**Call to Order:**

Brad Foster called the meeting to order at 8:03, Pragmatic Conference was used for this meeting.

**Roll Call:**

Brad Foster, Al Gauvin, Sue Wiltshire, Terry Humberstone-ex-officio, Brad Wogan and Ken King were not available.

**Approval of the Agenda**

**Motion to accept the agenda as circulated**

**Moved by: Sue Wiltshire**

**Seconded by: Al Gauvin**

**Conflict of Interest**

Sue Wiltshire has declared a conflict of issue in regards to the hosting of the website.

**Acceptance of the Minutes of Previous Board Meetings**

**To accept the minutes of the meetings as posted.**

**Moved by: Sue Wiltshire**

**Seconded by: Brad Foster**

**CARRIED**

## **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.**

**Moved by: Brad Foster**

**Seconded by: Al Gauvin**

**CARRIED**

## **Rise & Report**

**To accept the applications from the CU members wishing to sit on as Board of Directors. New board members will begin on March 25, 2015.**

**Moved by: Al Gauvin**

**Seconded by: Brad Foster**

**CARRIED**

## **Action Items**

### **1. CFPA-CRPU**

The CFPA has a publication called News on the Wing Bulletin. They have asked if wish to join with their publications. We would have to have our own advertisers and have all articles print ready. We will revisit this at our next Board meeting.

### **2. Update Questions**

CRPU will post an update on the issues we are facing. Al Gauvin has been assigned to work on this project and have it ready to post on the website. UNC would like to have a copy for their meeting on February 22/2015. Al Gauvin to send a copy to the UNC.

### **3. FCI Inquires**

We have been asked by some if we are affiliated with the FCI. Terry Humberstone explained that we have not been with them for the last two years. The AU and IF are not with the FCI either. The FCI does not do anything for the Canadian pigeon scene but we do follow their rules for the band size. The cost to join the FCI does not merit the CRPU staying with the FCI.

### **4. Bylaw Issue update**

Georgina Twp.

The council at Georgina Twp has not made any changes to the bylaws but they will not continue to pursue the current issue unless they receive further complaints, we will continue to monitor this and send the council further information in regards to the sport.

Ille Perrot, Quebec

Mr Dorian Danila emailed the CRPU a letter dated January 21, 2015 in regards to a ongoing issue he was having with his town council. Mr Danila had a bylaw officer come to his house in December to inspect his cabana. He was told that he was not allowed to house pigeons within the twp due to a bylaw. Mr Danila and Vice President of Quebec Federation Mr. L'Archeveque attended a council meeting in early January and pleading with the council to give a derogation to allow racing pigeons. The mayor told them under no circumstances would one be allowed even after they shared the sport and how these birds were important during the World War. The mayor's response was "so were chickens and we are not going to allow pigeons, because then we would have to allow chickens". The CRPU did not promise Mr Danila we could change the council's mind but we did offer to help. We sent a letter pleading to council about our sport, a copy of a bylaw used by other municipalities and sent information to promote the sport. The council has not changed its mind but Mr Danila now has a councillor who is willing to listen to his plea and has suggested that he start a petition to see if he can get others on board. We have sent a copy of a petition for him to get signatures and will continue to monitor. February 6 Dorian Danila received a

letter from the twp. He has 30 days to get rid of his birds. The CRPU has not had any responses from the mayor or any councillors from l'le Perrot, Quebec.

## **5. Website Hosting- Al Gauvin**

Sue Wiltshire declared a conflict of interest. Daryl Baker has informed the CRPU by email that he no longer will be working at 4 Colour Design. He will be leaving this month and if we have any problems we can contact the owner Jared Fulkerson for any questions or concerns. Darrin Wiltshire has been attained by the CRPU to build our new website and he also host sites. The logical arrangement would be to allow Darrin to host the site. This keeps everything together and if any problems encounter he is able to fix or change right away. The cost for hosting is \$300.00 per year. 4 Colour Design charged us \$379.00.

**Motion: To retain Darrin Wiltshire of MMM Industry to host our website for 2015.**

**Moved by:** Al Gauvin

**Moved by:** Brad Foster

**CARRIED**

## **6. Website**

The new website is being built and should all be back up and running by April. Due to letter from Daryl Baker stating he is leaving 4 Colour we need to get the data from the old website before it is removed from the hosting site. Hopefully we can retrieve the online store, band registration and race results. If we cannot retrieve we have to decide how far back we will go for band registration and race results. The Board has decided if we cannot retrieve we will go back two years on our band registration and start new with race results. The online store will be up and running again as well our sign up page for newsletter should be up and running soon. We will be discussing the new members page and classified page at our next board meeting.

## **7. Board of Director Meeting**

Future board meetings will be held the last Thursday of each month. During race season we will meet when issues arise.

To set a date for Board of Director's Meetings as the last Thursday of each month with exception of race season.

**Moved by: Sue Wiltshire**

**Seconded by: Al Gauvin**

**CARRIED**

## **New Business**

Next Month's Meeting of the Board of Directors: March 26, 2015

New Board Members will be joining us at our next meeting.

## **Motion to Adjourn**

**Moved by: Sue Wiltshire**

**Seconded by Al Gauvin**

**CARRIED**