

11/2/08 1:30pm  
TBRA General Membership Meeting  
Edward Labry Hall  
Cumberland University  
Lebanon TN

**Officers Present:**

Todd Nordmeyer	President; Acting Treasurer
Tim Hall	Director of Road Racing
Jennifer Morehead	Director of Mountain Bike Racing
Dan Werle	Director of Cyclocross Racing
John Carr	Secretary
Bill Parsons	Director of Points
(Vacant)	Vice-President

**Clubs Present:**

Atomic City	Lou Rabinowitz	
Cumberland Transit Cycling	John Carr	
Cumberland University	Tim Hall	
Grand Fondo	Robert Gregory	
Jackson Spokes	Randy McKinnon	
KnoxVelo	Robbie Kidd	(via phone)
Memphis Velo	Ryan Bosio	(via phone)
NashvilleCyclist.com	Tim Hall	
Scenic City Velo	Bill Parsons	
SCO/Bike Zoo	Jay Nevans	
SORBA Middle TN	Tim Spencer	
SVMIC Cycling	Kevin Freeman	
Tri-Cities Road Club	Jeanine Pleasant	(via phone)
Velo Bella Kona - TN	Angela Brown	(via phone)

**Guests Present:**

Dennis Ley	E TN Jr Cycling Bristol, TN	(via phone)
Stuart Lamp	USA Cycling	(via phone)
Ken Radley	Scenic City Multisport	(via phone)
Brian Gant	Potential promoter -Nashville Cross series	
Melissa Hudson-Gant	Team-in-Training, Potential promoter -Nashville Cross series	
Gib Morehead	Jackson Spokes	

**Opening Remarks:**

The President called the meeting called to order and welcomed all in attendance in person or via conference call.

A plan for a promoter meeting/summit was announced. Tentative dates for this meeting are January 10-11; 10-5 Sat, 8-12 Sun. Details TBA. Summit will likely include training for Race Manager software.

Financial status:

Todd Nordmeyer presented the Treasurer's report and 2008 TBRA budget. Highlighted cash balance of approximately \$21,000. Report is up to date excluding purchase of jerseys which will be approximately \$2,000. Some promoters have not paid 2008 event fees; emails will come from Todd asking for payment.

Banquet did not make money; expenses were slightly above budget. Rebates from USAC license sales were close to budget. Outlay for race manager included monthly license fee and consultant fee. No one took advantage of Jr/U23 Grants. Increased utilization of grants was encouraged. Income from event fees is slightly higher than budgeted though was down from 2007 as a result of reduction to \$1 event fee. The BikeReg.com rebate is expected to arrive in December. Checks of \$.25 per rider will be dispersed soon after the check arrives.

### **Elections**

An overview of board positions and current vacancies was provided.

Vice President	(Vacant)
Treasurer	(Vacant)
Cyclocross Director	(Open)

Nominations for board positions were accepted from the floor:

<u>Pos</u>	<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Nominated by</u>	<u>Seconded by</u>
P	Todd Nordmeyer	Bill Parsons	Robert Gregory
VP	Dennis Ley	Self	Jay Nevans
VP	Melissa Gant	Todd Nordmeyer	Robert Gregory
T	Dennis Ley	Jay Nevans	Kevin Freeman
Road	Tim Hall	John Carr	Kevin Freeman
MTB	Jennifer Morehead	Angela Brown	John Carr
Cross	Dwayne Letterman	Bill Parsons	Kevin Freeman
Point	Bill Parsons	Robert Gregory	Kevin Freeman
S	John Carr	Robert Gregory	Jennifer Morehead

A vote was conducted for the Vice President position. The vote was conducted by roll call per club. Votes were 7 for Melissa, 2 for Dennis, with 5 clubs abstaining. All other positions were filled without opposition.

### 2009 Officers

Todd Nordmeyer	President
Melissa Gant	Vice President
Dennis Ley	Treasurer
Tim Hall	Road Director
Jennifer Morehead	MTB Director
Dwayne Letterman	Cross Director
Bill Parsons	Points Director
John Carr	Secretary

### **2009 Road and Mountain Bike Racing Schedules**

Tim Hall suggested several options for promoters in order to improve quality of events. Suggestions included co-promoting as alternative to small stand-alone events, striving toward full weekends to get good turnouts, and avoiding conflicting dates in different parts of the state.

Announcements:

- In the Road Series, the 2009 State RR/Crit will not be at the same location/event as 2008. Promoters were encouraged to contact Tim if interested. A bid process will be announced. Tim suggested that the 2009 TT will be in same location for the short term.
- Deadlines for Flyers/Timing of event announcements will be more strictly enforced this year.

- Efforts will be made to create consistency in flyers/registration process.
- Promotion of event must be held off until the event has been permitted by USAC.
- Additional items to be discussed on forums and during permit process are the possibility to hold events specific to certain categories [i.e. Masters/Jrs, Women's/Jrs, etc], rotation of state championship events throughout different regions of the state, Overlap of MTB/RR dates, and impact of economic issues on racer's travel tendencies.

#### Event scheduling:

Road dates and MTB dates were assigned according to requests from promoters in attendance. Stuart Lamp provided feedback regarding National and Regional dates. Preliminary calendar to be posted on [www.tbra.org](http://www.tbra.org).

#### Cross:

There was a discussion of allowing a competing cross races in same weekend. Numbers on affected events were down somewhat compared to non-conflicting events.

Areas for improvement in 2009 were identified by Dan Werle. Suggestions include better regional communication, improved communication with competing state series, revisit issue of stratification of points series, or potentially reduce number of TBRA races. Additional items include the end of 2 yr commitment to waive TBRA fee for cyclocross races.

Board will discuss options, and incoming Cyclocross Director will be involved in these decisions.

#### **Overview of Race Manager** – Bill Parsons

Bill Parsons provided a preview of the Race Manager software. Software agreement finalized this year; to be available to promoters in 2009. Comments were provided by software developer.

Slideshow available at [www.tbra.org/racemanager.htm](http://www.tbra.org/racemanager.htm)

Todd proposed that fee for Race Manager operator to be paid for by TBRA for approximately one year. Operator potentially may be paid a rate similar to that of an official.

#### **New Business/Open Floor**

Kevin Freeman requested additional resources for race promoters. Resources in addition to USAC Rulebooks are available through TBRA board and the Promoters Corner of TBRA.org. Race budgeting spreadsheet may also be requested from Bill Parsons.

2009 membership fees can be sent to Todd Nordmeyer at this time.

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There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
John Carr, Secretary