

Board of Directors (BOD) Meeting
Saturday, April 28, 2018

Location:

Lakeland Fun Bike Center Motorsports
1845 E. Memorial Blvd.
Lakeland, FL 33801

Call to Order:

10:00 AM by President, Randy Faul

Roll Call:

FTR President	Randy Faul
FTR Vice President	James Hill
FTR Secretary	Shaun Foutch
FTR Treasurer	Allen Pearce
Enduro Chairman	George Tolsen
Hare Scrambles Chairman	Randy Rash
Motocross Chairperson	Carol Preston
Director Area #1	No Representative
Director Area #2	Larry Roberts
Director Area #3	William Toreki
Director Area #4	Joe Carrasquillo
Director Area #5	Mike Belle
Director Area #6	Jason Croley
Director Area #7	Bill Jenkins Jr
Director Area #8	Mark Bordelon - Absent
Director Area #9	Steve Nutter
Director Area #10	Luis Rodriguez
Director Area #11	Peter Rose
Director Area #12	Kyle McAfee - Absent
Director Area #13	Paul Lucas

Guests:

- Greg Davis, Dan Aitken, Ron Thomas, Tim Nordle, Lisa Nordle, Don Crist

President's Report

- There has been discussion regarding paying AA racers. This is not an FTR decision and is up to the respective clubs.
- Randy shared feedback and his thoughts that the FTR Hare Scrambles season is too long. Randy stated he thought 12 races would be more appropriate. The reasons for this include, but are not limited to, the stress it places on all the volunteers – Safety crew, Tech crew, Start crew, etc.
- After many years of volunteering, FTR lost Andy Dickson's support for handling the riders meeting, sound system, etc. because it got to be too

- much. Randy expressed concern if we lost the other volunteers that the clubs would not be prepared to manage the sequence of events that FTR has stepped up to cover – start procedures, Tech, rider's meeting, etc. FTR has a solid reputation in the off-road racing community for timeliness, efficiency and consistency. Randy stated that there is concern this reputation may be tarnished if we lose our current volunteers.
- Randy stated that he will try to hold future BOD meetings at the events rather than on off weekends.
 - Bill Toreki asked about getting back-ups for Tech, Safety, Starting, etc. to avoid reducing the schedule. Carol Preston stated it is tough to get volunteers to serve as back-ups.
 - Mike Belle had a differing opinion and believes that people haven't stepped up because there hasn't been a need to. He believes the people and clubs will step up when needed. He also believes that 15 is too many races but believes that 12 is too few. Mike believes the Hare Scrambles series should not downsize races to support the enduro series. He believes the attendance at the events should dictate where the efforts should go and that is the Hare Scrambles series.
 - Various discussions and questions on how FTR would manage less races than there are clubs. This was an open discussion with no proposals or recommendations made.
 - To close the discussion, Randy asked the BOD how far does FTR want to go in the off-road world. This is the group that needs to have this discussion and make decision on the future of FTR.

Vice President's Report

- Nothing new to report.
- James Hill asked what the delay was in investing the Land Use Funds that was agreed to in previous BOD meetings. Allen Pearce stated that it was his oversight that the funds have not been invested.

Treasurer's Report

- Allen stated he hasn't followed up on investing the funds but will do so.
- Allen handed out the Financials which included a Balance Sheet and a Profit and Loss statement.
- There was extensive discussion on trying to understand the negative for Undeposited Funds.
- There was additional discussion to understand the phone bill. Allen explained that this is also for the data "hot spot" used at the races. Allen agreed to add a more descriptive field for the phone bill to include this.
- In review, Allen stated there are ways to make the financials more easily understood and align with our competition season versus a calendar year. This would take additional work and Allen committed to completing this action prior to the next BOD meet at the FTR banquet.
- Motion by Randy Rash to accept the Financials, 2nd by Carol Preston – unanimously approved.

Secretary's Report

- Nothing new to report.
- Verified all BOD members received the agenda and that we have correct emails.

Enduro Chairman's Report

- This was a tough season due to the weather conditions.
- George is trying to co-sanction with SETRA for next season. There was friction in the past between the organizations, but George believes he can work through this.
- There are many changes coming for the Enduro series – new rules, ideas, etc. to build attendance.
- Next season there are 9 events, 3 of which are out of state.
- Electronic scoring was experimented with at the Eagle's Nest ISDE event. There were a few glitches, but overall it went well.
- Randy Faul asked if the Enduro trailer was serviced and there was someone to bring it to each event. George indicated all maintenance was completed and he will bring it to the events. George did indicate the Enduro PCs needed to be updated and he's investigating options.
- Enduro rule changes to be presented during New Business.
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Hare Scrambles Chairman's Report

- 3 rule changes were approved along with 1 emergency rule change that was approved by the Executive Committee (EC).
- Hare Scrambles rule changes to be presented during New Business.

Motocross Chairperson's Report

- Nothing new to report.

Banquet Update

- Lisa indicated they always need additional help leading up to and during the banquet.
- There are only about 80 rooms left, most likely less at the time of the BOD meeting.
- Allen Pearce asked that Lisa make a post on the FTR web site with the current availability of rooms.
- Vendors complained that last year they did not make money and there is a thought we need to go back to a sit-down dinner with an open vendor area prior to the dinner.
- The goal of the banquet this year is to have everyone in attendance as the awards are presented. It was disappointing last year that people only showed up to get their own awards and were not present to acknowledge the awards others received.

- Attire for the banquet should be appropriate for the event. Beach attire, flip flops, etc. do not show the respect to the award winners or recognition for the efforts to hold the banquet. Everyone is asked to dress “nicely”.

Old Business:

1. Approval of BOD meeting minutes for January 06, 2018. Motion to approve by Allen Pearce, 2nd by Randy Rash – unanimously approved.
2. From 01/06/18 BOD Meeting - Allen Pearce made a motion, 2nd by Randy Rash, to require \$2 million insurance coverage. The vote was tabled to give the Board members the opportunity to speak with their clubs for feedback. Allen Pearce made a motion to remove the previous motion which was 2nd by Randy Rash. Allen then opened the topic for discussion. There was extensive discussion regarding making this a requirement for the clubs. Allen made a motion to require clubs to provide \$2 million insurance coverage for Hare Scrambles events, 2nd by Randy Faul – unanimously approved. There will be a second vote on this at the BOD meeting prior to the banquet.

New Business:

1. Vote on Hare Scrambles Committee Proposal – Change of Tech hours. Motion to approve by Randy Rash, 2nd by Allen Pearce – unanimously approved.
2. Vote on Hare Scrambles Committee Proposal - Non-Ice class eligibility. Motion to approve by Randy Rash, 2nd by Randy Faul – unanimously approved.
3. Vote on Hare Scrambles Committee Proposal – Move Women A class forward. Motion to approve by Randy Rash, 2nd by Allen Pearce – unanimously approved.
4. Randy Rash motioned to remove the reference to a Hare Scrambles Scorekeeper in the Hare Scrambles section of the FTR Rule Book. He argued that the duties are already covered by the paid Scorekeeper role, however this does reduce the Hare Scrambles Committee by one member. 2nd by Randy Faul – 16 for, 1 against (Mike Belle) – approved.
5. Vote on Enduro Committee Proposal – Add ISDE format to FTR Enduro format. It was argued that there have been two events thus far that were well received. This will permit FTR to follow AMA rules should they change. Motion by George Tolsen, 2nd by Randy Faul – unanimously approved.
6. Vote on Enduro Committee Proposal – Adopt AMA rankings for FTR Enduros. Motion by George Tolsen, 2nd by Allen Pearce – unanimously approved.
7. Allen Pearce opened the floor for discussion on the FTR competition year. FTR is the only organization which does not utilize the calendar year.

- Extensive discussion regarding the pros and cons of making a change.
No proposal or actions to move this discussion forward at the time.
8. Carol Preston opened discussion that some clubs are not securing their start area as previously mandated (closed on three sides with limited entry for the rider and one holder). Clubs must provide the necessary resources to support keeping the starting grid clear of non-essential personnel.
 9. Bill Toreki asked the BOD to decide on the interpretation of youth riders moving up and whether they are permitted to move down one class when they do. The BOD unanimously agreed to continue with the established practice until the Hare Scrambles Committee can make a clarification to the rule book next season. An EC meeting was held following the BOD meeting with respect to the BOD request on the interpretation. Motion by Randy Rash to approve, 2nd by Randy Faul – unanimously approved.
 10. Shaun Foutch asked the BOD members to provide their Agenda discussion items in advance and to provide any necessary documentation for review prior to the meeting.
 11. Enduro & Hare Scrambles 2018-2019 Event Schedule. The BOD meeting was adjourned at 12:58 PM and a Sanction Meeting was called to order by Randy Faul. Mike Belle motioned to approve the schedule, 2nd by Shaun Foutch – unanimously approved. Allen Pearce motioned to adjourn the Sanction meeting at 1:03 PM, 2nd by Randy Faul – unanimously approved. The BOD was called to order again by Randy Faul at 1:03 PM.
 12. Upgrade FTR radios. Randy Faul opened discussion along with Tim Nordle on the stat of the FTR radios. Tim indicated the current radios are outdated and are not water resistant. When a radio gets wet, it can shut down all radio communications until the affected unit is identified and turned off. This is a safety risk for the sweepers, Safety crew, club officials and FTR officials as all communications can be lost. Tentative quotes were received for new radios and a new repeater with more power. The upgraded repeater is needed to increase range as sometimes sweeper, Safety crew, etc. are out of range to call for assistance. A proposal was made by Allen Pearce to upgrade the repeater at a cost not to exceed \$4,000, 2nd by Mike Belle – unanimously approved. Additional research and quotes will continue with respect to replacement radios.

Adjourned:

Motion to adjourn by Allen Pearce at 1:13PM, 2nd by Randy Faul – unanimously approved.