

# MOBRA Meeting Minutes - 10-October-2016

## Meeting attendees:

---

Jen Schook - MOBRA  
Julie Carter - LU / Penrose  
Josh Carter - MOBRA  
B.J. Keane - MOBRA  
Mark Ewers - MOBRA  
Nola Ewers - USACycling Official

## Tonight's agenda items - Old Business:

---

1. Bylaw Amendment regarding State Championship categories...
  - It was decided this topic had enough in common with the BARR discussion to merge the two
2. Ongoing BARR and State Championship race categories
  - Josh to head working group along with B.J. to formulate a proposal for recommended changes to be presented for discussion and decision at a future meeting (Yes, well in advance of the 2017 racing season).
  - Discussion centered around consistency in categories for BARR races and ideas for incentivising new races via BARR series competition.
  - Race Directors interested in joining this discussion are encouraged to contact Josh Carter, [joshuacarter63@gmail.com](mailto:joshuacarter63@gmail.com). All inputs and ideas are welcome.
3. MOBRA Banquet
  - Budget is provisionally approved pending review of current financials - Mark Ewers to investigate and report back
  - Jen Schook will take the lead on managing the project with others providing support where needed. All agree this is a "Must do" activity as it is very well received by riders.
  - Likely will be held in mid-Feb, location TBA
4. Board elections
  - Board positions up for election at the Nov meeting: seats currently held by Brian Dziewa, Mark Ewers, and Mike Weiss
  - Positions up for election in Nov 2017: Jen Schook, B.J. Keane, Nick Hand, Josh Carter
  - Anyone wishing to run for a board position must submit a nomination form per MOBRA bylaws. See

MOBRA.org for more information and a nomination form

## New Business

---

### 1. MOBRA meeting structure and process

- Brief discussion about transitioning to a quarterly meeting format with working groups meeting monthly / as needed to move forward on initiatives. It was generally agreed that board meetings may not need to be held monthly provided working groups have autonomy to meet and decide on initiatives, preparing a final proposal to be presented, briefly discussed, and voted on at board meetings.
- Josh and B.J. will use this process for the BARR initiative (see Old Business in this document)

### 2. Velodrome project

- Discussions with local governing bodies continue going very well and may soon reach a critical milestone where all parties announce public commitments to a new velodrome project. Look for further announcements to follow, along with opportunities to join in and help bring the project to fruition. You are welcome, and encouraged, to pledge your support. Reach out to Julie Carter, 2juliecarter@gmail.com to get started

### 3. MOBRA board member info on USACycling website is out of date

- Mark Ewers to contact USACycling to correct after board elections next month

The next MOBRA meeting will be held on 14-Nov at 7pm in Sieck Hall, Concordia Seminary. More information and directions can be found at MOBRA.org. Please plan to attend.