



Cycling New Zealand RTX Council

APRIL 4, 2023

Meeting Started – 8:02pm

MINUTES

1. Present:

Erin Criglington (EC), Brad Tilby (BT), Mark Ireland (MI), Olivia Spaans (OS), Andy McKay (AM), Ryan Cooney (RC), Mike Sim (MS)

In Attendance: n/a

Apologies: Patrick Harvey (PH), Rachelle Spencer (RS)

2. Minutes from the last meeting

Minutes of the meeting dated March 7, 2023

“That the minutes are a true and correct record

RC/OS CARRIED

3. Matters Arising

None

4. Interim decisions

None

5. Items for discussion

RTX: GCX Tech Panel: Confirmation of Tech panel: Ryan Cooney & Jeremy Christmas – confirmed EC / AM

GCX Strategy: V1 of the CNZ GCX Strategic Plan was circulated and RC spoke to the document. RC highlighted the aim was to grow GCX, with the focus on fun and participation as a new sport. Aim is to generate more events, as there is only a small number of events at this stage. There is a need for more CX organizations, and in turn this will lead to more options for CX Nationals & Schools events. Want a UCI Grave Race. Schools CX to Continue. There are opportunities to develop the sport. Currently there are Schools (3 events) & Nationals (1 event) along with a few other non-sanctioned races. GCX want to get momentum and keep the sport moving forward.

Council confirmed RC to move with this.

Partnership Agreement: A copy of the revised draft version was circulated following the discussion between Chris Christensen (CC) and EC.

Concern was expressed that the negotiations for the partnership agreement were being undertaken by the CNZ Events Director.

AM noted that he does not view this as a partnership agreement. Rather as a way of pushing everything back to part time volunteers along with Financial Risk. AM noted that RTX is being left to pick up pieces on what was handed over to CNZ 20 years ago. At this stage, AM's view is that as the agreement stands, it should not be signed as RTX is not getting anything. AM also noted that to move things forward, RTX will need to get an Administration person, however there is no idea of how this position will be funded.

The partnership agreement needs to be looked at to move the sport forward.

RC noted that the items that the Council do not agree with will be an issue, and that some of the points could be viewed as a conflict of interest between clubs.

RC noted we need to take a practical approach to keep the agreement moving forward, need to look at what to – stop/start/change, in other words, review the document, determine what is acceptable, and what is not and then confirm what needs to be changed.

MI suggested we consider what we want to achieve, and how to help get there. We need a plan to transition to the sport to move forward.

BT queried if there had been any update from Laurence with regards to the CNZ funding update. No update had been received.

MI had spoken with Ivan Aplin with regards to contact on the Board to help with the change going forward.

Process for next could of years: Strategy for the codes
While settle ship – RTX look to keep things moving forward

Action points: OS to upload the document to Google Drive and documents is to be review prior to April 16, 2023, noting:

- 1 – What agreeable
- 2 - What not agreeable

Schools Board Candidate – Brynn advised they/Schools had to withdraw Rushlee Buchanan's nomination as a director following a CNZ Board discussion about potential conflict issues. We are yet to hear back regarding a replacement nominee.

Events Calendar/EOI – 2024 and beyond: the Email dated April 4, 2023, from CC was circulated with the proposed Calendar.

NB: UCI Calendar year runs from January 1 to December 31

AM was concerned that there was no consultation with the Events panel before the circulation of the document. It was noted later that the circulation of the document was part of the consultation process.

It was requested that locations be removed from the Calendar before distribution, until the locations have been confirmed.

Items for feedback:

- Track Nationals: need to be in February / March; important for U19 riders; areas with Outdoor tracks; track season finishes after Track Nationals
- CX nationals: what is the timing

UCI webinar – Social Media: A guide to promote all Cycling events – Details previously circulated with UCI newsletter March 2023 (May 4, 2023)

Panel update

- Event update – While the Organization is being reframed, RTX must ensure the key events are held
 - o Elite roads
 - o Masters Track Nationals
 - The 2023 Master Track National Championships put on by the Waikato BOP centre was a great event and received good feedback from the riders.
 - Going forward – need to continue with alternating the event between the South Island and the North Island and plan for the next few years between CS & Wai/BOP
 - EC to approach Cycling Southland regarding the mandate to run the 2024 Masters Track National Championships – OS able to support if needed from learnings from the 2023 event.
 - o Age Group Road
 - Going forward – Need to continue with alternating the event between the South Island and the North Island – in the past, this has been NI x 2, SI 1.
 - Volunteers from AGRN – A call has been put out for volunteers to help at AGRN – if anyone knows of anyone, please contact Amy Hollamby
 - AGRN 2024
 - AM has received a proposal from Stephen Cox for AGRN & Gravel Nationals
 - Gravel – other parties interested so any negotiations to be carried forward in terms of the new strategy
 - It was noted that the Medals are the organizers' responsibility

It was moved that the Events Panel negotiate with Stephen Cox regarding a Contract for AGRN

AM / BT CARRIED

- o Criterium Nationals
 - 2024 National Criterium Championship: A Proposal was received from Steve Stannard and was circulated
 - RTX – to Support this proposal

- Preferred option is the Sunday
 - Event will be an open event so international riders will be allowed in term of RT regulation
 - Track Nationals
 - GCX Nationals
 - Needs to be taken to the regions to develop
 - Planning for 2024 and beyond
 - Refer to Items for discussion above re Events Calendar/EOI – 2024 and beyond
 - The different codes have different needs and this needs to be supported
 - RTX appoint and open to expressions of interest
- Technical – MI
 - Road & Track:
 - Auckland Commissaires Course to be held.
 - CNZ will follow up with the Police Vetting
 - Cycling Southland also looking to hold a Commissaires Course
 - Cyclocross
 - Commissaires course to be held
 - Locations and schedule are being working on
 - UCI Elite National Commissaires Track Course
 - Brendan Patterson to attend a UCI – ENC course in Israel
- Development - BT
 - Oceania Championships was a good event. No NZ team was sent however there was good support from the Clubs
 - Selections – JW, Worlds
 - PH had circulated his concerns regarding the timing and process
 - BT – need open lines of communication and clarification selections process, line of communication with Ryan Hollows. BT to collate and follow up and clarify lines with Hunno.
- GCX – Emerging platforms – As above
- Membership – EC
 - 1 day event licences are an option for the AGRN

Media and RTX brand

- Update: FB page under RTX branding is up and running with a few followers
- Engagement over MTN
- All Council members to have admin access
- A co-ordinated approach needs to be had to increase the RTX Brand

Other

- AGM
 - An Email was received from Stephen Cox highlighting his concern that there will be no AGM in person
 - RTX is at Crossroads and need to circulate this to membership and they may be able to come up with a plan
 - Need to highlight to the membership that RTX Council in the process Stabilizing and reforming, and highlight the proposal to move forward – with events etc.
 - Plan to stabilize this – BT put together plan for this
 - AGM with be virtual, with the hope of an in-person Meeting in 6 months' time
 - Issue strategy statement and way forward
 - Proposed Date: 7:30pm Wednesday June 7, 2023, Via Teams
 - *(Note: These details were forwarded to CNZ to forward on, however this was not actioned prior to the required date so a new AGM date has been set)*
 - Plan to stabilize this – BT put together plan for this

- Awards – RS to follow up

- Board update – none update has been received

Next Meeting: Tuesday May 9, 2023, at 8pm

Meeting closed: 9:30pm