

**Minutes of the  
Pacific Northwest Track & Field/USATF Pacific Northwest  
Board Meeting held June 16, 2014**

President Ivars Ikstrums called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at Seattle Parks and Recreation Building at 100 Dexter Ave. N. in Seattle. The President dispensed with introductions. The following were present: Ivars Ikstrums, Doug Chandler, Ed Viering, Becca Peter, Bob Springer, Carole Langenbach, Bob Langenbach, Patti Petesch, Neal Stoddard, Jim Ryan, Stan Chraminski, Eddie Strickler, Michael Chinchar, Bill Hickman, Darlene Hickman, Kenny Emerick, George Mathews.

**I MINUTES AND EXECUTIVE REPORTS**

- A. Secretary's Report/Minutes: Ed Viering distributed the agenda and latest schedule. The minutes for the April meeting have been emailed. The minutes were accepted.
- B. Treasurer's Report: Doug Chandler presented his report. The report was accepted.  
Overall Total as of 05/31/2014: \$118,002.92. Group breakdowns:
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|----------------|-------------|--------------------------|--------------|
| General Fund - | \$50,330.95 | Masters -                | \$ 13,187.63 |
| Open -         | \$14,993.22 | Youth -                  | \$ 21,433.77 |
| Open Chair -   | \$ 1,771.35 | Fred Dean Youth Travel - | \$ 2,613.00  |
| Officials T&C- | \$ 4,380.58 | National Club Meet -     | \$ 2,000.00  |
- C. Membership Report: Tracy Silva submitted her report via email. The report was accepted.
1. As of Jun 15, 2014: Youth– 1350; Open– 354; Masters– 552; Clubs– 73.
  2. Relative to a year ago: Youth is up 215, Open is up 79, Masters is down 3, Clubs is up 9.
- D. Vice President's Report: No report. Ivars stated that Mick is in California but he had met with Mick during the State meet.
- E. President's Report: Ivars Ikstrums.
1. We had a prolonged discussion last time about Indoor Nationals. We voted to send a letter to USATF. Ivars sent the letter on May 12 to the CEO and President--- with cc to John Blackburn and Bob Hersh, who are on the investigating committee. Ivars read the text of the letter and passed around a copy.
  2. Ivars received a letter from Herb Nichols, the Accreditation Sub-Committee Chair. We have met all standards for 2013 Accreditation. Only 18 of 57 association met all standards. Ask Ivars if you want a copy of the report.
- F. Sanctions Report: Carole Langenbach. We had 210 sanctions in 2013 and already have 150 for 2014. We are getting sanction requests for events that have never been sanctioned before.
- G. Office Manager's Report: Carole Langenbach. Nothing to report.

**II NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Identify attendees to Associations Workshop: Patti Petesch. Workshop is Aug 15-17 in Sacramento. This is the last one that will not be held in conjunction with the annual meeting. No agenda yet. Patti and Becca are the only ones who expressed interest in attending. It was moved and approved to send these two with a \$600 reimbursement each.
- B. Clinic Fees: Bob Springer. The training committee (Bill, Darlene, Bob) has met. Costs are going up and we haven't raised the fee in a long time. Currently it is \$25 for lifetime fee and \$20 for national certification. The proposal is to raise it from \$25 to \$30 and package it with the \$20 certification fee to get one new price of \$50. It was moved and approved to accept this new fee structure.
- C. PNTF Annual Meeting: Patti Petesch. USATF requires this to be prior to Oct 1. After some discussion it was agreed that Patti will try for Sep 28 with a Sep 21 alternate at the same Laurelhurst location as last time.
- D. USATF Annual Meeting; Appoint Head of Delegation & Delegates Coordinator: Ivars Ikstrums. Ivars named Char as Head of Delegation and Carole as Delegates Coordinator.

- E. Job Turnover: Ivars Ikstrums. Ivars stated if you are interested in an elected or un-elected position then let us know. We have no life-long entitlements. Historically a lot of the people are officials, but there is no reason, for example, that an athlete can't be the President.
- F. Level 1 Coaches Clinic: Ivars Ikstrums. July 18-19 at SeaTac. There is a link on our website. It is being run by people not local anymore (Shawn Venable). Ivars asked for an email blast to the coaches. We didn't know this was coming. Ivars will check with Pat Pretty as to why that was.

### III OLD BUSINESS

- A. USA Half Marathon Trail Championships: no report.
- B. National Club T&F Championship: Becca Peter
  - 1. Registration is finally open. Becca made a special offer to elite clubs that cancellations of early registrations can be transferred to another athlete.
  - 2. We are expecting a press release from National Office. It is hard to judge attendance. Becca continues to plug it.
  - 3. We have tons of officials. Still working on who is bringing what equipment. Hurdles at Mt Tahoma are HS hurdles. We are borrowing good ones from UPS. May have to run smaller heats if their hurdles are 48" wide.
  - 4. Lex Strong may have equipment to fix the shot put circle.
  - 5. Budget is looking good. No surprises. Bob Springer will send out housing info soon.
- C. Grants Update: Patti Petesch. No new suggestions were submitted. Patti would like banners and a photo backdrop like at Dempsey. Promotional material was never sent out by National so Patti anticipates a decrease in applications.

### IV COMMITTEE REPORTS

- B. Youth: Patti Petesch for Holly Genest.
  - 1. Combined Events was at Kent-Meridian last week for the 3rd year. Participation was up to 37. We partner with Chris Mattingly at Lake Stevens for the 15-18 year olds. Six of them will go to Spokane.
  - 2. Association JOs is this Saturday at Kent-Meridian with Friday Steeplechase and Hammer at West Seattle Stadium. Park behind the visitor stands at K-M.
  - 3. Next Saturday June 28 in Vancouver is the last Hershey State Championship before they switch to RUN-JUMP-THROW Program.
  - 4. Committee is working on two large youth clinics for next year.
- C. Open: Becca Peter.
  - 1. Becca is giving up on championships in June. Regional Meet went smoothly. Small fields, but competitive events. 96 finishers. Revenue was \$658 plus \$1000 from National. Expenses were \$1810. We only lost \$150. Next year she wants to join with Parks Meet (not a championship) in June for age 19 and up.
  - 2. Association Open and Masters Championship is in July.
- D. MUT: no report..
- E. Masters: George Mathews.
  - 1. Seattle Parks Meet went well. Special thanks to Carole, Kenny, Erica and Patti. Eighty-seven athletes entered. Half of those were day of meet. George waived the day of meet fee. This meet really served a purpose for those who needed an early season Masters meet.
  - 2. Seattle Classic on Jul 19— Association Open plus Masters Championships as well as Regional Masters Championship.
  - 3. August 23 is SMAC 9 for a select 24 athletes.
- F. Race Walk: Stan Chraminski. 5K Race Walk on Sep 20 on new course at Magnuson Park.
- G. Athlete Update/News: Eddie Strickler. Oregon won the NCAA Men's. The Prefontaine Classic Bowerman Mile was fastest ever on American soil. Michael Berry of Rainier Beach HS/Seatown Express set a record in 400m.

- H. Officials: Kenny Emerick. We are bringing the UW package to Club Nats. We are scheduled for three XC meets—two for UW plus the GNAC in Oregon on Dec 1. We still have \$36K to be collected.
- I. Officials Training & Certification: Bob Springer. We are working on expanding number of presenters. We may have 2 clinics on the same day. Working on some “on track” training for field events. We would like to try for 2 laptops and 1 more badge printer through the Grants program.
- J. Website/Communications: Becca Peter.
  - 1. Becca sent a blast of all upcoming events to all who have been involved since 2011. It was well received.
  - 2. If anyone is interested in being webmaster, Becca is willing to turn it over.
  - 3. The PNTF promotional table at All Comers has gone well, but she needs more people to man it.
- K. USATF Associations Committee: Patti Petesch. Associations Committee conference call was cancelled last month due to most people being involved in state championships.
- L. USATF Board of Directors Update: Darlene Hickman. University of Phoenix is a new sponsor. They will help athletes concerned with finishing college.

Next meeting is here on August 18, 2014.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ed Viering  
Secretary  
Pacific Northwest Track & Field/USATF Pacific Northwest