

Minutes of the PNTF Board Meeting held April 15, 2013

Vice President Ivars Ikstrums called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. at Seattle Parks and Recreation Building at 100 Dexter Ave. N. in Seattle. The Vice President opened with a moment of silence for those affected by the Boston bombing. The following were present: Ivars Ikstrums, Ed Viering, Doug Chandler, Neal Stoddard, Patti Petesch, Carole Langenbach, Bob Langenbach, Bob Springer, Char Engelhardt, Eric Sach, Doris Heritage, Holly Genest, Stan Chraminski, Becca Gillespy, George Mathews.

I MINUTES AND EXECUTIVE REPORTS

- A. Secretary's Report/Minutes: Ed Viering distributed the agenda, latest schedule and minutes for the January meeting. The minutes were accepted.
- B. Treasurer's Report: Doug Chandler submitted his report. The report was accepted with a correction to the "as of" date to read 3/31/2013.
- Overall Total as of 12/31/2012: \$89,904.26. Group breakdowns:
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| General Fund - | \$39,832.20 | Masters - | \$ 10,479.40 |
| Open - | \$11,521.21 | Youth - | \$ 11,432.12 |
| Open Chair - | \$ 1,971.35 | Fred Dean Youth Travel - | \$ 2,613.00 |
| Officials T&C- | \$ 3,254.70 | | |
- C. Membership Report: Tracy Silva submitted her report via email. The report was accepted.
1. As of Apr 11, 2013: Youth- 517; Open- 208; Masters- 498; Clubs- 54.
 2. Relative to a year ago: Youth is up 44, Open is down 16, Masters is up 36, Clubs is up 11.
 3. Holly pointed out that on-time club registration deadline is April 30.
- D. Vice President's Report:
1. UPS will host the 2014 NWC Championships.
 2. University of Idaho has one meet on May 3/4. It conflicts with Ken Shannon. Next year they host WAC Indoors on Feb 27- Mar 1.
 3. 2016 Olympic Trials are at Hayward.
 4. PNTF Open is combining with Seattle Masters Classic on July 20.
 5. NW Region Open is hosted by Oregon on Jun 15/16 at Jesuit HS in Beaverton. Peter Thompson is asking for help. This meet conflicts with JO Combined.
- E. President's Report: William Hickman. The President submitted his report via the VP.
1. Review your Weights and Measures Newsletter which shows that W&M can be damn interesting!
 2. Bill Hickman is on the Jury for USATF Outdoor Nationals.
- F. Office Manager's Report: Carole Langenbach.
1. Carole is doing the newsletter now instead of in the fall because no one pays attention then and there are more upcoming events this time of the year. Carole described the articles in the upcoming newsletter.
- G. Sanctions Report: Carole Langenbach.
1. You can now get a sanction online. Carole likes the system. We got our first check today from USATF for March's online sanctions.

II OLD BUSINESS

- A. Awards Banquet Debrief: Char Engelhardt.
1. Event was successful, but not to the extent Char would have liked. We had 77 dinners--- down from 111 two years ago. She would like to see more personal communication to talk it up.
 2. Our speaker made the evening!!
 3. We are not going to do online registration again. It was a horrible system.
- B. Athlete Board Members: Ed Viering for Bill Hickman. We are still looking for a fourth board member. Holly and Eric have some ideas.

III NEW BUSINESS

- A. Appoint Annual Dinner Chair: Ivars Ikstrums for Bill Hickman. Char requested another term. It was moved that Char be reappointed and there were no other volunteers. Motion was approved and Vice President reappointed Char as this year's Chair.
- B. Grants: Patti Petesch.
 - 1. USATF has \$13,000 set aside for grants and never gets more than \$7-8K in requests. There is a \$2,000 maximum per association. Patti told them that May 31 deadline was really bad timing so they moved it to Aug 1.
 - 2. Patti is co-teaching a grant-writing class at Associations Workshop.
 - 3. Darlene and Patti have had two meetings already. Their two ideas so far are: cross-country equipment for marking/lining courses and promotional posters/flyers/brochures for PNTF. Patti is soliciting more ideas from the rest of us. Hopes to get ideas at various money levels. Submit to her by May 1.
- C. 2011 Club Cross Country Grievance – Bob Springer
 - 1. New York Athletic Club filed a grievance 1 year to the day after the race. They are protesting the finish order which was affected by athlete packets having the wrong chip. NYAC rejected a compromise solution so now ClubNW and PNTF have 30 days to reply. Bill Hickman has suggested that only USATF can change the result and we should contact a USATF Attorney.

IV COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Youth: Holly Genest
 - 1. May 4 is the first club meet hosted by Rainier Beach TC.
 - 2. Youth voted to pay for one attendee to a Youth Level 2 Coaching Course. They selected Kwajalein Griffin.
 - 3. Patti reported that there is a large problem with a local coach recruiting athletes out of HS programs into his club. This has caused a rift in several schools. Four kids have left HS teams. Some coaches have asked PNTF for sanctions. Our understanding is the coach in question is not violating any WIAA or USATF rules.
- B. Open: Becca Peter.
 - 1. Club NW held Spring Break Open. Regionals are in Portland on Jun 15/16. Association meet is at West Seattle on Jul 20.
- C. MUT: Eric Sach.
 - 1. Chuckanut was a great event. Good size field ---650 started. Thanks go to Carole for verifying memberships--- which affected prize money. Two course records—Open Male and Open Female. A sponsor provided lightweight foldable cups which proved popular and cut way down on cup usage and cleanup.
 - 2. They would like to run it as an Association championship again next year.
 - 3. Eric set up a little information table and pushed USATF membership.
- D. Masters: George Mathews.
 - 1. George offered apologies for missing last couple meetings as he has been involved in coaching on Monday nights.
 - 2. Seattle Masters and SMAC9 entry forms are almost ready to be sent out.
 - 3. Our 27" hurdles are now at West Seattle. George would like a container for them and is working with the Parks Department. Patti didn't think Parks would approve another container and also mentioned that the south stands may be removed soon.
 - 4. Pacific Association is refusing medals for 30-34 age group.
 - 5. Uli Steidl took 3rd for Masters (behind two Olympians) at Boston Marathon.
- E. Race Walk: Stan Chraminski. There was a decent race walk contingent at the Spring Break Open. Katie Burnett took 3rd in 20K RW Pan Am Cup Qualifier.

- F. Athlete Update: Bob Langenbach reported that, at World Junior Women's Cross Country Championships, Amy Eloise Neale finished 21st for Great Britain (team Bronze) and Katie Knight finished 28th for USA (team 6th).
- G. Officials: Bob Springer.
 - 1. Held meeting last month and re-elected same officers. UW-WSU Dual and Ken Shannon meets coming up, followed by HS League, District, State and then Seattle Classic.
 - 2. As a result of a Dempsey Long Jump measuring incident, Andy wants all tapes to have an offset zero.
 - 3. We ordered two new laptops, new cables and cable spools.
 - 4. Ivars noted that there is a possibility that Brooks will do an outdoor meet next year.
 - 5. There will be lots of changes at the State HS met this year.
 - 6. NFHS Officials Manual is being rewritten. NFHS smart phone app is good.
- H. Officials Training & Certification: Bob Springer.
 - 1. Held 4 clinics this year, with the last one at Kent Meridian. Some re-cert people have not received badges yet. We are already working on changes to slides. Still trying to cut down on detail.
 - 2. Holly stated she was really impressed by the Seattle Clinic.
- I. Website/Communications: Becca Peter. Hoping for a big update session this weekend. Let Becca know if you need any mass emailings.
- J. USATF Associations Committee: Patti Petesch.
 - 1. March meeting was cancelled for Easter.
 - 2. New COO Renée seems to be moving things forward. Made lots of promises about getting member and meet registration set up. Max and Renée had a meeting to explain processes to the chairs.
 - 3. Associations Manual is now on the website.
 - 4. Lots of email traffic today with Associations accounting for their Boston runners. All 12 Club NW runners have reported in. Bill Iffrig is OK after being knocked over by the blast just short of the finish line. He has been all over the national news.
- K. USATF Board of Directors Update: No report.

Next meeting is June 17, 2013.

The meeting was adjourned at exactly 8:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ed Viering
PNTF Secretary