

The next PNTF Board Meeting will be held November 15, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. at the Seattle Parks and Recreation Building at 100 Dexter Ave. N. in Seattle. If you no longer wish to receive these minutes, please e-mail me at eviering@comcast.net or phone 206-433-8868 to be removed.

Minutes of the PNTF Board Meeting held October 18, 2010

President William Hickman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the meeting room at Seattle Parks and Recreation Building at 100 Dexter Ave. N. in Seattle. He noted that Ed Viering is the new Secretary, following Bob Langenbach's 16 years of service in that office. He asked for those present to introduce him/herself. In addition to President Hickman, the following were present: Kwajalein Griffin, Ed Viering, Patti Petesch, Doris Heritage, Carole Langenbach, Tom Cotner, Darlene Hickman, Stan Chraminski, Char Engelhardt, Asha Dean, Bob Springer, Ivars Ikstrums, Bob Bowman and Bob Langenbach.

I MINUTES AND EXECUTIVE REPORTS

- A. Minutes: Bob Langenbach had distributed copies of the minutes for the September 2010 PNTF Annual Meeting. The minutes have been posted on the PNTF web site. The minutes were approved as posted.
- B. Treasurer's Report: Carole Langenbach submitted Gwen Robertson's report. The report was approved unanimously. The following are the accounts as of 10/14/2010: Youth -- \$6,303.68; Open -- \$6,485.12; Open Chair's Fund -- \$3,956.35; Masters -- \$5,458.21; General Officials -- \$2,297.91; Fred Dean Youth Travel -- \$4,794.75; General -- \$29,013.12.
- C. Membership Report: no report at the meeting. Tracy Silva had submitted the report via email: Youth: 1,159; Open: 346; Masters: 567; Clubs: 55. Carole Langenbach noted that one parent had taken advantage of the "\$10 for rest of year" offer so her child could run cross country.
- D. President's Report: William Hickman
 - 1. The Rules Committee met recently by conference call. There were 115 proposals--most will be discussed. Many came from the Club Council.
 - 2. The President received a reminder that constituent groups are required to file 990s.
 - 3. The Officials Committee will get 2 votes at the Annual Meeting. Our voters will be William Hickman and Bob Springer.
 - 4. Two officers are to be elected this year
 - 5. The President received several invites to the Hall of Fame Dinner this year. A new award, "Outstanding Race Walk Official", will be named after Lori Maynard. Go online and ask Coach Bocock if you want an invite.
 - 6. Bob Springer is up for Outstanding Field Event Official.
 - 7. Lane Dowell and Lawrie Robertson had been nominated but were not chosen for Hall Of Fame induction.
 - 8. Kelly Rankin is a finalist for the Andy Bakjian Award.
- E. Office Manager's Report: Carole Langenbach. No report.

II OLD BUSINESS

- A. USATF Annual Meeting Information and Delegates - Carole Langenbach:
 - 1. Carole can't get the email fillable form to work on which to send in names of delegates and committee representatives. Norris Frederick might go as an athlete rep. He has been offered registration fee and stipend if he attends the caucus and stays the entire session. Bill

Hickman stressed to all that feedback from the meetings is important.

2. Our committee delegates will be : Bob Bowman (Race Walk), Paul Limpf (Men's LDR), Tom Cotner (Women's LDR), Darlene Hickman (Women's T&F), Bill Roe (Cross Country Council), Tom Cotner (MUT), Ivars Ikstrums (Masters T&F), Asha Dean (Youth), Patti Petesch (Associations), Bob Springer (Masters LDR), Will Conwell (Men's T&F).
 3. Bill Hickman led a discussion on the various members travel plans. He set the time for the Caucus as Friday morning. Darlene stated that the hotels are 20 minutes by tram from the Convention Center. So far, all our attendees are staying at either the Sheraton or Cavalier.
- B. Club Cross Country 2011 - Bob Springer.
1. Bob distributed copies of the Officials' Course Map created by Ed Viering which will be used first at the upcoming Pac-10 Championship. Club NW still needs to sign contracts with USATF and Renaissance Hotel. John Boesche of Seattle Sports Commission is involved. Bob Springer will attend the 2010 Club Championship in Charlotte to help prepare for next year.
 2. The Pac-10 race on October 30 uses the same course. This will be good practice for next year's Club race. Pac-10 set-up is on Friday if you want to preview the course. There are 2 races on the 30th. The Technical meeting is Friday 7 PM at the meet hotel. Andy Newing is referee. Jurors of Appeal are Doris Heritage, Bob Springer, Geof Newing, Karen Baebler (UW) and a Pac-10 rep. See gohuskies.com for details.
 3. PNTFOA is looking at purchasing the same chip timing set-up that is being used at Pac-10 race. It will be evaluated there. Intent is to have chip timing for 2011 Club Championships.
- C. WIAA/WOA Certified Officials Task Force - Bob Springer: No report.
- D. Grievance on 2009 USATF Annual Meeting Term of Youth Officers - Kenny Emerick: No report.
- E. Marymoor Park Hammer Facility - Fred Bingisser: No report.
- F. Coaching Education Class - Tom Cotner & Kwajalein Griffin: Level I Coaching Clinic is January 21st. Peter Thompson and Bryan Hoddle are possibilities to teach. Bryan Hoddle had sent word that he may be unable since he is also doing the PEMCO All Sports Clinic on Feb 10-13.
- G. Yearly Schedule of PNTF Activities Approval - Carole Langenbach.
1. Carole handed out a yearly schedule which is part of our Statement of Policies and Procedures. It can be changed with 20 days notice. It was decided to add one minor edit--- changing "Scheduled Meeting" to "Scheduled Board Meeting". The proposed schedule was accepted with that amendment.
 2. Carole also handed out STATEMENT 1: Sanction Fee Schedule and STATEMENT 2: Fees (also part of our Statement of Policies and Procedures). She had updated them to reflect actual current practice. Carole solicited comments. Bill Hickman directed that they will be voted on at next meeting.

III NEW BUSINESS

- A. Carole Langenbach stated that we are required to publish an Annual Newsletter in October. Carole had a rough draft similar to last year's newsletter. She solicited inputs. Bill Hickman directed that comments need to be emailed to Carole by Oct 29. Members without an email address on file will be mailed a paper copy. Last year this was between 100 and 200 members.

- B. Patti Petesch gave a nice explanation/endorsement of the USOC-sponsored Paralympics. She had attended the recent meeting and stated that the USOC is going to different regions in lieu of holding one big meeting in Colorado Springs. They are pushing adaptive sports. The military plays a big part in it. Patti suggested we should begin including some competition for adaptive sports. There are coaches at Thomas Jefferson and Clover Park who are involved. The Seattle Adaptive Sports Group and the Rugby Tournament are ways to participate. Bob Springer mentioned that Sports Illustrated had a good article this weekend on an amputee runner.
- C. Patti Petesch reported the news that Tommie Smith is selling his gold medal.
- D. Bob Springer reported that Texas just passed a concussion rule---changing from "15 minutes" to "until a Doctor's approval". Patti and Bill stated that this issue is getting more and more attention nationwide. Bob stated that NFHS has also modified their rule for next year.

IV COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Youth Committee: Asha Dean announced the JO Cross Country series is in November. Association is here on Nov 13th; Regional is in Oregon Nov 20; National is in Alabama 2nd week of December. There is a meeting this month for Developmental Meets. Char handed out flyers for JO Association Meet.
- B. Open Committee: Tom Cotner announced Open and Masters Championship at Lower Woodland Park on Nov 7. There is also a Community Race at 9:30. Ruth Perkins (CNW) finished 10th in Twin Cities Marathon. Mike Sayenko finished 10th in Chicago Marathon--this was first time in 20 years that a PNTF member ran under 2:15. No MUT report.
- C. Masters Committee: no report
- D. Race Walk: Stan Chraminski announced the "Hour Walk" was held yesterday in Banks, OR. It was hosted by the Oregon Association. Great weather.
- E. Officials Committee: Bob Springer
 - 1. Officials are purchasing two more performance boards for the throwing events. They are also going to trade in the trailer for a larger one. Bill Hickman requested a speaker system for the starters.
 - 2. Next PNTFOA meeting is Monday 8 November, having been rescheduled due to upcoming Geof Newing knee surgery.
 - 3. Looking at purchasing a chip timing system. Will evaluate it at Pac-10 Championship. Possibly will purchase chips through a sponsor.
 - 4. Clinics: Feb 5 (Ginger Quant); Feb 14/28 at UPS (Mick Holt)
 - 5. Bob reports that Derrek Berkompas has a relative in a B school in SW Washington and is distributing training materials in that area. He is looking into hosting a clinic there. Centralia has a new track and has asked Bob for help with a clinic.
- F. Website: Bob Springer reports that Andy Martin (USATF) audited the website and said the site was lacking financial information. Although information was available in the minutes, Becca Peter added a financial section. She also made the Sanctions section easier to find and sent links to Sherry Quack. Tom Cotner mentioned that there are past-year results which are missing now. Bob will check into it. Ed Viering recommended removing some personal information (home addresses) from the Association section--Bob will take for action.
- G. USATF Associations Committee - Bill Roe. Bill submitted a detailed report. In his absence (due to return travel from China), Patti presented a summary.
 - 1. Websites: A move is being made to standardize the individual association websites with regard to sanction and fee information, etc.

2. Electronic forms: Committee acknowledges a problem with fillable PDF forms
 3. Stephanie Hightower Report: Patti stated she gave a nondescript statement about the CEO removal. From Bill's report: Stephanie stated that the Board did not make the decision lightly and it was after a thorough and professional performance review. The members expressed a desire that the new CEO selection be more transparent. The Board intends to make sure the search process is beyond reproach.
 4. South Zone: South Zone has numerous grievances and has trouble getting enough people to sit on grievance committees. From Bill's report: there was much discussion about using a Regional Panel when Association Panel was not feasible. Along these lines Patti sees a large move toward centralizing administrative work.
 5. Workshop Feedback: Breakout sessions too short. Long session too long. The Buffalo location was difficult to get to, and future meetings should be held in hub cities.
 6. Associations Manual: will possibly be updated for 2011 Annual Meeting
 7. Accreditation Subcommittee: All Associations' finances are being audited. The Metropolitan Association is fiscally insolvent and in danger of going into receivership.
- H. USATF Board of Directors Update - Darlene Hickman. The Executive Search Committee hired Bialla and Associates to conduct a national search for a new CEO. At the USOC Meeting, Mike McNees (USATF Acting CEO) pledged his support to USOC. Doug Logan also attended the USOC Meeting.
- I. Miscellaneous comments: The President opened the floor to additional comments. Char Engelhardt solicited door prizes for the Annual Dinner on Feb 5. Char mentioned some ideas about a speaker for the dinner. Tom Cotner said he will pursue a speaker.

The meeting was adjourned at exactly 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ed Viering
PNTF Secretary