

The next PNTF Board Meeting will be held on March 20, 2006 at the College Club, 5<sup>th</sup> and Madison, in Seattle. The meeting will start at 7:00 p.m. For those of you who would like to get the minutes by e-mail, please tell me your e-mail address, or e-mail pntf@wolffenet.com. If you no longer wish to receive this, please e-mail me or phone 206-433-8868 to be removed.

## **Minutes of the PNTF Board Meeting of February 20, 2006**

Before the meeting, Carole distributed cupcakes in honor of Gwen Robertson's 50<sup>th</sup> Birthday. At 6:57 p.m., however, President Patti Petesch called the PNTF Board Meeting to order in the Arctic Room at the College Club, stopping the revelry. Present were Patti Petesch, Derrek Berkompas, Gwen Robertson, Lawrie Robertson, Neal Stoddard, Bob Springer, Carole Langenbach, Doris Heritage, Ralph Heritage, Bill Hickman, Darlene Hickman, and Bob Langenbach.

### **I. EXECUTIVE REPORTS**

- A. Minutes: Lawrie Robertson, who took minutes at the January 2006 meeting, will submit them for approval at the next meeting after getting the President's report and the 2005 Sanction report from Carole Langenbach.
- B. Treasurer's Report: Gwen distributed copies of her report. It was moved to approve the report. The motion was seconded and passed.
- C. President's Report: Patti deferred her report to New Business.
- D. Vice President's Report: Derrek had no report.
- E. Membership Report: Janell Kaufman had e-mailed her report to Bob, but he had forgotten to bring it, and was instructed to include the numbers in the minutes. They are: Youth 178 members, Open 94 members, Masters 148 members, and 17 Clubs. Janell mentioned in her report that she hoped the clubs would renew early, before the extra \$50 is added as a late fee on May 1<sup>st</sup>. This is a reminder that clubs should get their membership in before May 1<sup>st</sup> to avoid that extra \$50.
- F. Office Manager: Carole Langenbach said that PNTF had contributed \$200 to the Seattle Milk Fund in memory of Dr. Dean Ingram who passed away in early February. Dr. Ingram had been the first Secretary of TAC, an active promoter of Race Walking, a founding member of Club NorthWest, and was instrumental in setting up PNTF's first officials certification clinic in early 1980. Another passing was Bob Boal, of North Carolina, who had served as Chair of USATF Masters LDR and was the first USATF representative to the IAAF Veterans Committee. Carole also mentioned that out of state promoters are trying to produce a big marathon at the Gorge at George, Washington in late September. She reported that she is asking those requesting race sanctions to list on their brochure that it is "Sanctioned by USATF." This change was suggested by Kenny Emerick and requested by the PNTF Board.

### **II OLD BUSINESS**

- A. PNTF ANNUAL AWARDS DINNER: It went very well with 78 attendees. Good food, good MC (Bill Hickman), and good speaker (Aretha Hill Thurmond. Check her web site [www.arethathrows.com](http://www.arethathrows.com)). Thanks to Char Engelhardt for doing the organizing.

### **III NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Dr. Dean Ingram Memorial Donation: Before the Board Meeting, the PNTF Officers approved a \$200 donation to the Seattle Milk Fund in his honor.
- B. SPU Indoor Meet: Doris Heritage asked for officials support on Saturday, February 25 after the Mountain Pacific Meet in the Dempsey Indoor Facility. There will be a small contingent of athletes and the meet will last about two hours.
- C. West Seattle Stadium Renovation: Patti Petesch said that about \$2 million will be spent to renovate the stadium track and infield to properly

support an International level track and field meet. She asked for permission from the PNTF Board to apply for a Bowerman Grant to defray the stadium costs. It was moved, seconded, and approved that Patti write the application representing a PNTF request for funds.

- D. New Orleans Youth T&F relief: There was some discussion concerning the problems New Orleans is having recovering from Hurricane Katrina, and the Southern Association of USATF is attempting to provide a Youth T&F program, often to kids who lost everything. Lawrie Robertson moved that PNTF donate \$500 to the Southern Association Youth Program, contingent upon the PNTF Youth Committee also contributing at least \$500. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously.

#### IV COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. YOUTH: Doug Chandler was not present, but Patti Petesch said that the Youth Committee is suggesting that fees for Youth T&F meets be \$x for pre-registration, and \$2x if past the deadline.
- B. OPEN: Tom Cotner was not present, but Bob said that Kelly Strong had run well at the World XC Trials.
- C. MASTERS: Ken Weinbel was not present, but Neal Stoddard reported that the Masters are looking at either Sealath or Edmonds for the July 8 Seattle Masters Classic.
- D. RACEWALK: Bev LaVeck was not present, but there will be a Masters Regional 10 km RW at West Seattle Stadium on April 22<sup>nd</sup> in conjunction with the SMAC Spring Fling.
- E. OFFICIALS
  - 1. Certification: Bill Hickman reported that there were 17 at the Tacoma class last Monday. Presenters were Jerry Ley, Dick Unrue, Darlene Hickman, and Bill Hickman. Next week the presenters will be Paula Brown, Lane Dowell, and Bob Springer. The Seattle clinic had 5 attendees.
  - 2. High School: Lawrie Robertson reported that Lane Dowell made a presentation to the State Coaches Association on HS officiating and proposed minimum number of officials.
  - 3. PNTFOA: Neal Stoddard said they had a long meeting. Topics of discussion were a big display board, the length of UW Indoor T&F meets and the number of athletes allowed in the events. The PNTFOA officers remain Geof Newing President, Bob Springer Vice President, Andy Newing Treasurer, Mike Thould Secretary. Additional elected board members are Mick Holt and Carole Langenbach. Board appointed members are Neal Stoddard, Jona Silva, Kenny Emerick, Doug Chandler, and Elaine Thould. Pete Newing is a permanent board member.
- F. Associations Committee: Bill Roe was not present.
- G. USATF Board of Directors: Bill Roe was not present.

ANNOUNCEMENT: Bill Hickman and Neal Stoddard will be retiring from their paid jobs at the end of February. Congratulations!

The meeting was adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Langenbach  
PNTF Secretary