



# Pacific Association of USA Open Track & Field Committee

## Conference Call Meeting Minutes, 20 January, 2020

**In attendance:** Carl Rose, Fred Baer, Joseph Ols, Irene Herman, Brooks Esser, Dave Shrock

8:05pm – Carl Rose called the meeting to order

Carl reviewed responses to GoogleForms survey sent to 48 Open T&F Club Reps (8 respondents):

- good dispersion of event groups took survey
- 75% wanted to combine open and Master's T&F Championships; 25% maybe; 0% no.
- Preferred venue: 37.5% SF State; 25% Sac State; 25% Chabot; 0% San Mateo
- Do you plan to compete: 37.5% yes; 37.5% no; written in that it would need to fit into competitive schedule; out of town; too late in season; lack of fixed schedule; rolling schedule not good; too little competition, need deeper fields.
- How to improve appeal: increase prize monies; provide medals; create specific event schedule; combine with Masters/Youth.
- Date Choice: 31 May – 85%; one responded they wanted the event later
- Joseph had concerns regarding a combined championships and throws facility being impacted. He noted that CSM has 4 throws venues, while Chabot and SF State have less, with crossing impact areas which would not allow some events to be contested simultaneously.
- Carl reiterated that if the event returns to San Mateo, the distance events need to held contested in the morning to avoid the afternoon winds.
- Joseph reported that Master's to hold their committee conference call 28 January before 1 Feb banquet. He hopes that respective committee chairs can get together at banquet and finalize details.
- All agreed we need event details to be advertised earlier, and better promoted
- Fred confirms that if held at CSM, all four facility coaches would be available.
- Carl will check with Tom Lyons at SF State regarding throws facilities...noted that the PA is distance heavy.
- Agreed for Carl-Fred-Joseph to reconvene at the PA Banque to confirm details. All agreed that getting a contract signed and promoting the event sooner is better.

Meeting adjourned 8:45pm

*Respectfully submitted by Dave Shrock*