

Pacific Association USATF
Board of Athletics Meeting
5 May 2009

Attendees: Tyler Abbott (Men's LDR Chair); Fred Baer (Media Com); Michael Boot (Officials); Maria Castillo (Youth Official's Chair); Bruce Colman (Official's Chair); Jerry Colman (President); Dick Connors (Officials); Shirley Connors (Officials); Mike Hammerquist (Youth); Debra Harvey (Youth Vice Chair); Irene Herman (Membership Chair); Al Hernandez (Open Men T&F Chair/Coaches); Maura Kent (Sec/Youth Com Com Chair); George Kleeman (Past President); Art Klein (RW Chair) Becky Klein (Youth RW Chair); John Mansoor (Exec. Director); John Murray (Officials); Bob Podkaminer (Officials); Margaret Sheehan (Officials); Bob Shor (Youth XC Chair); Dave Shrock (Coach's Chair); Joanne Slaton-Camargo (Youth Chair); Lloyd Stephenson (Treasurer / Masters LDR Chair); Phil Watkins (Equipment Chair); Tony Williams (Youth Membership Chair); Dan Wright (Youth Treasurer)

Guest Attendee: Kevin Searls; 925-3727232; KNSearls@comcast.net, ASICS Aggies

Handouts:

- PA Race Walking Report – 5 May 2009
- January 1 – May 5, 2009 profit & loss statement
- Membership Report

Next meeting: Foster City on September 15

NOTE: In future meetings; PA BOA members who were not present at the previous meeting must abstain from voting in the current meeting. We will be voting via raising of hands to clearly count votes “in favor,” “against” and “abstain.”

7:39 pm – meeting called to order

Review of minutes from prior meeting

- One correction: Ed Miller is still the Cal Berkeley assistant coach, he is not retired

Treasurer's Report

- Lloyd provide overview of current state
- One-time expenses in 2008
 - \$4k in legal fees re: grievance against USATF national
 - \$7K in athlete training grants
- \$10K loss last year to host the Golden West meet (primarily due to flying in top athletes to Folsom HS)
- Budget approved
- **ACTION:** 2010 Sports Committee budgets due to Irene Herman by end of July

Board Officer Nominations

- Nominations
 - President: Irene Herman

- Vice President: Dave Shrock
- Treasurer: incumbent Lloyd Stephenson
- Secretary: incumbent Maura Kent
- Approved! Effective immediately
- George Kleeman agrees to stay on in the role of “Past President” as Jerry Colman would like to step down to attend to family matters
- Sports Committee Nominations
 - Every sports committee needs to hold elections by June
 - **ACTION:** Each Sports Committee to provide to the PA office their list of ballot options prior to June elections
 - **ACTION:** Each Sports Committee to provide to Maura Kent (pa.youth_communicationschair@yahoo.com) prior to the next meeting their new Sports Committee Board. This information will be used to update the PA BOA meeting sign-in sheet. It will also be used to determine who has the privilege to vote in PA BOA meetings. E-mail must include: Name, e-mail address, phone number, board role

PA By-Laws

- PA not in compliance with national USATF by-laws; consequently, PA voting privileges will be suspended at the next national convention until appropriate changes are made
- What is missing? PA does not include a section on “Removal of Officers”
- Change submitted in tonight’s meeting
- Must be voted on for approval at the next PA USATF BOA meeting
- Proposed language:
 - **ACTION:** George Kleeman to amend the by-laws to be in compliance
 - **ACTION:** George to send proposed changes to Cynci Calvin so she can post with the minutes for review by all PA BOA members
 - **ACTION:** George to send to Irene Herman before her next workshop

Grievances

- Youth – Tony Williams needs to write up the youth grievance from Alex Gomez against Umoja. This was closed in the PA Youth BOA meeting in January 2009-05-10

Strategic Plan

- Each breakout team needs to submit their notes from the various afternoon sessions to Cynci Calvin for posting and tracking of action items

Photos

- Photographer is not allowed on the infield to take pictures of youth athletes unless a photo waiver has been signed by every parent in the meet releasing photo liability
- **ACTION:** John Mansoor to provide sample photo release to Joanne Slaton-Camargo for consideration in future youth meet registration forms

Youth Background Checks

- USATF national office has expanded the list of offenses to children that will keep an adult from coaching / volunteering with a youth USATF club
- PA’s process is different than every other association in USATF ... more stringent

- To date ... 5 positives with no appeal; 1 positive that was appealed & approved

2009 California Relays

- Cancelled due to sponsorship issues. 2010 CA Bike Tour will be held in May; as a consequence 2010 California Relays will be moved to June

2009 Golden West: June 13, 2009

- PA Master's Championships will be in the morning at the same venue to save venue rental costs
- Long-term goal is to combine this meet with the ADIDAS Pro meet
- Cancelling the javelin event
- Lowered qualification standards
- Added more freshman events

2009 JO National XC Championships: December 12, 2009

- Still need someone to coordinate Opening Ceremonies
- Budget for event based on attendance of 2,500 youth athletes
- **ACTION:** Joanne Slaton-Camargo to assign youth lead to own this task

2010 JO National T&F Championships, July 27 - Aug. 1, 2010

- LOC has been developed
- Youth BOA is taking majority of leadership roles; in some cases seeking mentor that can guide when role is new to youth lead
- Entry fees will be raised for this meet to help offset costs of attending

2010 US Master's T&F Championships, July 22-25, 2010

- Will be held back-to-back with the JO nationals meet to save time and effort on set-up and teardown

2010 National Club XC Championships

- Aggie club bidding
- One Folsom site is viable but not preferred over Golden Gate Park. The other Folsom site is currently not viable
- Peanut Harms is primary coordinator for bid; he is planning to be approached as RD at Granite State Park across from Sac State
- Potential attendees want a "destination" site for the meet location so they can turn the trip into a vacation
- Prize money is a concern ... seems excessive
- ASICS offered \$10K to support bid package
- **MOTION:** PA BOA approve Aggies going forward and presenting bid go USATF

2011 World Masters T&F Championships, July 5 – 17, 2011

- LOC met several times
- Process of creating brochure in 5 languages for distribution in Finland
- Budget based on 5K athletes
- Most finals will be at Sac State
- World marathon and XC races will be held as part of this meet

Committee Reports

Youth – Joanne Slaton-Camargo

- Meets have been up & down in quality
- 4 regular T&F meets left in May

- Championships in June & July
- Youth has begun to actively use www.athletic.net to track our youth results. The 2009 T&F season is our first pass into this expansion and it has been well received by the youth coaches
- **ACTION:** Can the 2010 Sub-Bantam Championships be held at Sac State on the Sunday between the Masters and the Youth JO meets? Answer: No

Open T&F – Fred Baer / Al Hernandez

- Grand Prix underway
- Adding residency requirement hasn't been balked at
- **ACTION:** Work with Cynci to promote the Grand Prix
- PA Championships is open for online registration; this year College of San Mateo is charging for use of the venue
- Adding race walk at 8:00 am

Officials – Bruce Colman

- George Kleeman is stepping down as Training Chair; Shirley Connors will take over the position
- Evaluating by-laws to determine if Officials Committee should add a Com Com Chair role
- May 31 is deadline to submit grant for recruiting officials (applying for annual Association's Grant from the USATF office)

Coaches – Dave Shrock

- Level 1 growing to over 100 attendees and needs to be split into two separate training sessions
 - December 19-20 will provide a youth emphasis and will be held at Sac City
 - January 16-17 will be the second clinic
- January 29 offering additional Coach's education clinic
 - VS Sports is possible sponsor
 - Offering 5 silo'd training sessions
 - More lecture than hands-on ... youth really wants more hands-on than book lecture

Race Walk – Art Klein

- Received a grant to offer a youth RW clinic. Clinic will be partnered with the Youth Distance Carnival meet on June 6. Clinic will offer a session for new RW coaches as well as for the athletes
- Sr. Games didn't achieve enough pre-registration so it has been opened up to a broader range of attendees
 - Consider allowing PA athletes to waiver in

Equipment – Phil Watkins

- Working with Irene Herman to ensure that the equipment maintained by the Youth BOA is covered with the appropriate level of insurance
- Equipment List:
 - **ACTION:** Phil Watkins wants to complete a hands-on inventory of all youth equipment; including trailer, throwing implements and electronic
- Estimated cost of youth equipment: \$30K

- ACTION: PA USATF needs to create a contract that must be signed by any PA USATF member that checks out any piece(s) of equipment
- **ACTION**: Need to create a paper trail of how equipment use
- **ACTION**: PA USATF to set up process to handle repair of equipment
- Insurance
 - Irene has created a rider policy to cover the equipment
 - **ACTION**: Determine best way to ensure trailer

Membership – Irene Herman

- Need to help promote disabled athlete participation in our various sports committees

	29-Jan-08	18-Mar-08	19-May-08	Nov-08	Feb-09	9-May-09
Total	2,121	3,566	4,435	5,755	2,583	4323

Coaches	251	345	394	446	306	296
Level 1	114	161		188	141	172
Level 2	24	29		40	28	34
Level 3	6	9		11	7	9

Officials (All)	213	275	293	314	237	265
Certified	172	224	240	246	54	65
Uncertified	41	51		68	291	333

Adult Athletes	1,286	1,566	1,409	2,546	1,052	1817
RW Adults	75	97		128	95	116

Youth (3-18)	547	1,270	1,614	2,458	726	2017
RW Youth	14	83		129	48	127

Disabled Athletes	3	5	6	8	4	4
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New Business

- Flo.track wants to post video clips they take of PA athletes at various sports venues
 - Would generate fresh, new content on the website that would draw more viewers to the PA website

9:30 pm – meeting adjourned