

MINUTES - PAUSATF Officials Executive Committee Meeting 1:00 PM Sunday, February 23, 2014

Location: George Kleeman residence, 5104 Alhambra Valley Rd, Martinez, CA

1. Call to Order at 1:12 by Chairman Bower

2. Roll call:

✓ **Mike Bower**, Chair

✓ **Phil Leake**, Vice Chair

✓ **John Lilygren**, Secretary

✓ **John Murray**, Immediate Past Chair

✓ **Shirley Connors**, Training

✓ **Jim Hume**, Certification

✓ **Dr. Leon Glover**, Awards

✓ **George Kleeman**, At Large

✓ **Bruce Colman**, At Large

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes from October 20, 2013

Moved by Bruce; seconded by Phil. Approved as amended.

4. Reports

A. Chairman – George Kleeman for Mike Bower

I. National Convention – Officials meetings

George attended in Mike's place (thanks from Mike).

Awards: Pacific Association was well represented in finalists for various Officials awards. **Bob Podkaminer** for the Charles Ruter Award; **John Murray** and **Ray Fitzhugh** for the Horace Crow Award; **Shirley Connors** for the Jim Grey Award; and past Race Walk chair **Ron Daniels** for the Lori Maynard Award. **Bob & Ray won their respective awards.**

Rules Committee: There were 97 submittals with 10 withdrawals, mostly of items tabled last year. Five items were tabled and 8 rejected leaving 67 approved and 7 approved with amendments. I prepared a report containing all of the approved items on the Pacific Association website.

We were not successful with our bid for the 2016 JO Cross Country event in Reno. Following the convention we also found out that Sacramento State will no be hosting any of the upcoming NCAA Division I T&F Championships since all have been awarded to Eugene for the next 8 years.

Training Committee: National competition officials evaluation forms are being revised. John Murray is in charge. Goal is to make the form more user-friendly. Revised form may be used in June.

B. Awards – Dr. Leon Glover

I. Review the renaming of annual awards

(Item 6D.I was included in this discussion.)

There was a lengthy discussion of adding an award named for Dick Connors, combining or renaming our existing awards, eliminating or renaming awards. Leon and Jim prepared background information on Dick Barbour and George Newlon and a history of the awards.

The **Dick Barbour Award** is awarded to the Most Outstanding Official (longevity, competence).

- First awarded in 1985 to Hank Patton.
- Other key early awardees: George Newlon (1986); Horace Crow (1990); Dick Connors (1992); George Kleeman (1993)

Dick Barbour lived in Palo Alto. His son, John, is a T&F official in Massachusetts and has written a congratulations note to each recipient. Dick was a wounded WWII vet who officiated while wearing braces. He was an excellent LJ and TJ official but also officiated other events when needed. Dick officiated at Stanford, Cal and Modesto's Calif. Relays. Dick was the first treasurer in the TAC days, after the AAU was forced to relinquish control.

Special Recognition Awards were awarded circa 1985 to 1994. In 1995 it was split into the next two named awards. The **George Newlon Award** is awarded to an outstanding Track official. The **Horace Crow Award** is awarded to an outstanding Field Events official

George Newlon was head of officials at Stanford for many years. He managed the finish line and in his later years was usually a Head Referee. George was also head of out officials committee for a number of terms.

George Kleeman suggested a time limit of award names (20-25 years). Awards would be renamed for more recent officials

Action item: A working group of Dr. Glover, John Murray and Jim Hume was appointed to meet & make a proposal at the next meeting.

C. Training – Shirley Connors

I. Review of Clinics as of 2/20/14

- **American River College** was contacted in early October 2013 and rooms were assigned by Jan. 1, 2014. Unfortunately, the day of the clinics, no one from ARC was there to let us into rooms and bathrooms. Refreshments were provided by the Clinic Committee but were not located in a well visited spot. Too much coffee and muffins were wasted.

ARC Clinics were somewhat disorganized because of: 1) time overlap of desired clinics; 2) Confusion of the correct time of the clinics [different times reported in outgoing e-mails and on PAUSATF website]

Clinicians performed admirably and were flexible & cooperative. Many attendees ended up going to different clinics than what they signed up for at the registration desk. The number of attendees in the following table is based on some attendance sheets and money received.

- **Serra High School clinics** were reorganized by time to be more attendee friendly. The rooms were clean and well equipped with up-to-date electronic devices. Refreshments were provided and located in a central spot. Clinicians were excellent and properly informative.
- **Chico's clinics** went very well and were put on by Dennis Boyle, et. al. The clinics were well attended.

Dennis Boyle and Chuck Skelly have done a good job of recruiting in Chico/Redding.

- **Santa Cruz High School officials clinics** were organized by Jim Hume and John Rembao with Mike Bower and Mike Aro assisting. Attendance was good.
 - Two **Practicum days** were scheduled for Umpiring and Implement Inspection. The session at **Cal** was cancelled due to weather. The one at **UC Davis** was held, although only Implement Inspection was held with David Soeth running the practicum. David had handouts and addresses for test taking for Implement Inspection certification.
 - Also at UC Davis, a Starters Practicum was held with 3 participants. The three started the meet under the supervision of Joe Harper.
 - Although the Practicum numbers were low, I feel they are a good way to allow officials to practice less-familiar skills, plus they allow officials a way to stay current.
- II. Possible improvement of clinics – sign ups, getting info out
- Jim said the Google system worked well but people tend not to read e-mails on how to use it.
- III. Review upcoming clinics
- **Reno/Carson City Officials Clinics** are to be held Saturday, March 1, weather permitting
- IV. Possible change of site (ARC)
- This is under review.
- V. Goals for the future – description of clinics
- Want to get Clinic Information published in October.
 - I made contact with PAUSATF website coordinator and I believe the information was placed on the site. Apparently, we had some discrepancies with proper times for some of the clinics. The main “blasts” did not come out until 2nd week in December, which I feel is too late [Holidays]. We had few sign up before Jan 1st.

CLINICS	ARC	CHICO	S. CRUZ	SERRA	UC DAVIS	RENO	TOTAL
Introduction	4	7	9	13			33
Fund. of Hammer Javelin & Throws	9	12	3	11			35
Fund. of Vertical Jumps	7		1	5			13
Fund. of Track	3			10			13
Adv. Horizontal Jumps	6			3			9
Adv. Vertical Jumps	7			2			9
Adv. Throws	3			6			9
Race Walk – Off. & Judge	2			5			7
LDR	1			2			3
Para-Olympics	10			21			31
Experienced Referee	6			6			12
Prospective Referee	9			3			12
Leica	2			2			4
Starters		14 pd.			3 no pd.		17
Implement Inspectors					6		6
Total Attendance	66	33	12	87	9		211

D. Certification - Jim Hume

- 315 Total Certified Officials to date
 - 66 Master Level
 - 40 National Level
 - 104 Association Level
 - 105 Apprentice Level
 - 12 = Ap '12
 - 44 = Ap '13
 - 41 = Ap '14
 - 6 = N '15
 - 8 = N '14
- Five lost sheep back in the fold: Joe Asserto/ A – Carson City; Steve Brown/Ap '12 Throws (Yes, Stephanie's father); Susan Porth/A – RW; Jon Siegel/M – Vertical Jumps; Ron Toth/A –Throws
- 2 Transfers IN: Steve Barton/A – Throws from VA; Andrew Crawford/?LDR? – Niagara
- 2 Transfers OUT: Art Klein/M & Becky Klein/M – RW to DC area
- 2 Visitors: Peter Urda from KY; Robert Hooper from AZ (home in Chico)
- 2 on sabbatical due to work/family problems
- 39 with no 2014 USATF membership and no response to numerous e-mails (12 Association; 2 Master; 5 Ap '12; 20 Ap '13)

Minutes– PAUSATF Officials Executive Committee

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- 7 new Turns & Distances writers & 3 new photographers
- 37 with Referee certification or working on Referee certification
- 44 with Starter certification
- 59 with LDR certification
- 16 with RW certification
- 14 with Competition Secretary certification
- 10 with Implement Inspection certification (George noted only 4 are active doing Implement Inspection)
- 21 with no 2013 ReCert but have 2014 USATF #
- 62 with no ReCert/no2013 USATF # and no 2014 USATF #
- Jim showed a flowchart of Certification Level Disciplines. This will be included in an e-mail to the membership.

5. Old Business

A. Training Resource proposal: coaches to attend clinics for free (Bower & Hume)

Hume: This is a bad idea; no work has been done on it

Dave Shrock sent an e-mail to coaches. There was very little response (8 or 9 people from 2 JCs showed up).

6. New Business

A. Volunteers for Outdoor Nationals in Sacramento – George

Murray: Organizing Committee has a chairman for volunteer selection; Kleeman & Murray want to be involved in on field selection. Murray or Hume to send out e-mail.

Kleeman: about 200 on field positions over 5 days

B. Officials for Golden West Meet – George

- Meet to be staged on Saturday, June 28. Will ask officials working National meet to stay; will fill in with local officials.
- John Mansoor is co-Meet Director; taking care of competition. George is Technical Director. Shirley works for George with Equipment.

C. Board of Athletics Meeting (Jan. 21) – Shirley

- 2014 Athlete grants were cancelled due to lack of funds
- Pacific is largest Association (>2500 members)
- There is some concern about new membership numbers: permanent; don't include Association or year
- Website renovation coming
- Sac State awarded 2016 West Regional CC; 2018 West Regional
- Associations Workshop August 15 – 17 in Sacramento
- 2014 Club Cross Country meet in Golden Gate Park (December)

D. Bruce

I. Renaming of Newlon Award

See 4B above.

- II. Role of Turns & Distances: types of articles, how often, next “elder” interview candidates
 - Bruce discussed Survey Monkey survey: 19/100 responses. People want more rules information in T&D. George says the problem is making it concise enough for T&D. Rules Information is posted on website.
 - Suggested to add odd incidents in track & field like Sonny discusses at Annual Meeting. (See Bill Boyd’s newsletter.)
- E. Mike - Volunteer Form & Criminal Background Check (for officiating Youth meets)
 - Pacific Assn uses more complete Federal system (Livescan) than does National. Costs \$38 and only done once; reimbursed by Pacific Assn.
 - National office requires a check that must be done yearly if you officiate Youth; \$8 but not reimbursed
- F. Officials Brochure: George updated. Will be handed out at future meets to attract new officials.
- G. PA funding national Crow award: Murray wants to make sure this is voted on and done. Estimated cost \$275 + shipping fee. Murray moved that it be included in next year’s budget; Hume seconded

7. Next meeting: April 27 at George Kleeman’s house

Meeting adjourned at 4:00