



**USATF-Pacific Board of Athletics  
Meeting Minutes- *Unapproved*  
Double Tree Hotel, Sacramento  
Tuesday, November 18, 2014**

**Members present:** Fred Baer (Treas./W T&F Ch./Media Ch.), David Bartholomew (At-large), Carl Bryant (Youth Vice-Chair), Cynci Calvin (Communications Ch.), Joanne Camargo (Youth Ch.), Shirley Connors (At-large), Don Harding (Youth Officials Ch.), Irene Herman (Vice Pres./Membership), Maura Kent (Youth Records Ch.), Taujay King (Youth), George Kleeman (Past Pres.), John Mansoor (Exec. Dir.), Elizabeth Price (Youth RW Chair), Jon Price (RW Chair), Charlie Sheppard (Para Athletics) Bob Shor (Youth Comm.), Dave Shrock (President/Coaches Ch.), Charlotte Sneed (Youth Cross Country Ch.), Lloyd Stephenson (Masters Cross Country Ch.), Jeré Summers (Athletes Ch.), Bob Thompson (Officials), Duane Wolterstorff (Youth Treasurer).

**Guests:** Andy Harris (River City Rebels), Cris Houston (Youth).

**Call to order at 7:37pm.** Roll call of BoA and introduction of members present, with mention of passing of Youth Coach Willie Young with card being passed around for his family.

**Review and approval of the March 2014 BoA meeting minutes-Dave Shrock:** Approved with no corrections (*Kleeman/J. Price/unanimous*). Mention of last meeting's special recognition of Hall of Fame inductees. Ed Burke is also being inducted into the Thrower's Hall of Fame.

**Treasurer's Report-Fred Baer/John Mansoor:** The Assoc. investments accounts are better financially than expected which means that for 2014 we may end with a slight surplus rather than the projected deficit. (*Kleeman/J. Price/unanimous*).

**Annual Meeting update-Irene Herman:** Reiterated that reports are sent to Irene and receipts for reimbursement to Heike by deadlines after the meeting.

Ralph Jones cannot attend, so Irene and Mark Winitz, along with Jeré and Fred will cover Men's T&F Meetings. Pacific Assoc. breakfast/caucus is Wednesday morning at 7:00am - anyone from the Pacific is encouraged to attend, so please spread the work to Pacific members who are in Anaheim and may not know.

Need roommates-George, Lloyd, Joseph O, and Charlie S.

Youth workshop is one day this year: Joanne C., Deborah S. and Dave S. will attend.

**Communications Committee and website renovation update-Cynci Calvin:** Website is trying to get off the ground with Shawn Delaney as the webmaster. Cynci sent the website manual to key committee page editors, and is waiting to hear back before our website goes live estimated in January 2015.

**USATF Logo update- Cynci Calvin:** In September the national office modified the USATF logo to eliminate the word 'Track and Field' to make our sport more appealing to road runners, race walkers, etc. Cynci has logo templates ready to go if the BoA needs logos for races, etc. Cynci also has the new templates/guidelines for letterhead, business cards, etc.

**Operating Procedures update status-Dave Shrock:** Shrock noted that several committees are creating and updating operating procedures: Jere S. for Athlete Committee, Ralph Jones for Open Men's T&F, George Rehment, for Para Athletics, Fred Baer for Women's T&F, Joseph Ols for Master's T&F, and Joanne and Sylvia Jones for Youth.

**Correction of Open T&F Grand Prix Standings-Fred Baer:**

The BoD discussed and approved the revised T&F Grand Prix results without penalizing the athletes due to mistake of placing a male athlete in the women's standings.

The revised standings will show Dawson Vorderbrugge earned \$300.00 be being moved to the men's standings; 9<sup>th</sup> place woman Liza Hitchner earns \$200 more; 10<sup>th</sup> place Brett Zorich earns \$200.00 more. This brings the additional total to \$900.00 which will come out of general funds.

Dave will add a gender selection box to the application to help avoid this mistake in the future.

## Upcoming National Events and detailed Committee Reports

*(also refer to posted Committee Reports on Association website)*

**Dec'15 Club XC nationals Golden Gate Park-Irene:** Good site visit with XC Chair in early November, and sponsorship plus promotion is ahead of previous years.

**JO T&F 2016-John Mansoor:** Pacific is the only bidder and last week 4 representatives from National Youth Committee came and had a good visit with only minor adjustments needed to bid packet which will be presented and stands a good chance of being accepted at Annual Meeting. Sac Sports Commission will have a hospitality suite in Anaheim as well. Maura Kent said that in previous JO's a large number of the youth committee were involved spending many hours assuring the event's success. John responded this time the Sports Commission and SacCVB which has a large professional staff is bidding, so the only portion the PA is involved in should be the competition itself.

Sac Sports Commission is interested in taking the Golden West HS Invite. and enlarge it and adding other elements, i.e. adding youth, open, masters components. The second weekend in June is a good weekend for the masters and the pros but disappointed in not having the collegiate component.

**Region 14 JO T&F Qualifier:** John mentioned that the Sac Sports commission is less interested in hosting this meet, so the Youth Committee should approach David Lawrence who has said that there is no set agenda on what region hosts, or if there is a rotation. If Pacific does host the Region 14 in 2015, Joanne has talked to Chabot College which is fully compliant. We need to have the Hytek version 4.0 as a reminder from John M, and Joanne to confirm with Alia this is the version she has used in Youth meets.

**2017 Open National Championships** is quite likely to be awarded to Pacific, as 3 of the 4 benchmarks were hit as stipulated by the national office at the 2015 Championships. We hope to have an announcement in Anaheim of before.

**National Masters T&F Championship** is interested in Sacramento possibly for 2018.

**2016 Junior Nationals:** As Eugene is hosting the Olympic Trials, Indy is asking us to host the Junior Nationals though not sure we want it as it is a small non-revenue generating meet. Discussion of other possible venues: Carson, LA and Clovis. Dave interjected that Clovis is spending large sums to upgrade the Buchannan HS Site (*host to the CIF State champs*) in hopes of attracting national caliber meets.

**Facilities Inventory-Bob Thompson:** Reminded group about other venues that are available that are often as good as the ones currently used. John Mansoor said that it is the LOC (*local organizing committee*) that is very important to work the venue. Bob's report of facilities has been posted on the Youth, Masters and T&F website and a great resource of meet directors when looking for possible venues.

**Youth XC Grand Prix and Championships-Charlotte Sneed:** Noted that the Youth XC Grand Prix is going very well this season, and the committee is hosting the association champs. November 23, 2014 at Willow Hills, Folsom. The committee is also hosting the Region 14 on November 30 also at Willow Hills. The Youth committee will post the 2015 T&F Schedule after the cross country season in late November.

**Membership Report-Irene Herman:** Assoc. growth is highest since 2005. Maura questioned if Youth should require USATF membership at the Youth spring meets, and it was agreed the Youth Committee should discuss this. Many associations do already require it.

**Run Jump Throw Program-Maura Kent and Charlotte Sneed:** Event promoters need a third background screening. Promoters are also not allowed to charge and the program appears to be more play than coaching. Maura and Charlotte shared their experiences with the fundamental training they have done with children. Maura believed that it is a great way to start, but if there is not a fee collected, we can't recoup the cost of facilities and supplies. Concept is great but bringing an Olympian to the camp needs to be current or fairly recent for children to relate to the Olympian.

**Para Athletics-Charlie Sheppard:** Charlie just returned from the Wheelchair Athlete Assoc. meeting, and he reported that he was told the para Champs hosted at College of San Mateo in June was very successful, and that the Pacific Officials were the best the Para Champs. had ever had.

**Association Open T&F Champs:** Tentatively at the College San Mateo on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> June

**Masters T&F Championship:** Joseph Ols is still working on a site and a director

**Foundation update-George Kleeman:** Current Foundation Chair Dennis Boyle is stepping down as of December 1, 2014. New director is Jay Abbott who is currently putting together a donation packet and will distribute it to association membership. The Foundation is seeking new board members and it's only approximately a 40 hour per year commitment. Please contact George if you or know of anyone who is interested.

**Officials Clinic-Shirley Connors:** Passed out a detailed clinic schedule and info page and noted that all info and registration details are on the official's webpage.

**Olympic Training Grants-Jere' Summers:** Noted that she is editing the documents for the training grants and hopes to have them ready by December 1 to distribute to athletes.

**Media-Fred Baer:** Fred reported that there is a new webcast service for smart phones hi HD, and wants to encourage a webcast for track and field: BAOSN.TV

**Set 2015 meeting dates:**

20 January-Walnut Creek -*confirmed*

17 March-Foster City (Strategic Planning Meeting)

*confirmed with a 5:30pm deli dinner start for our strategic planning session before a short BoA meeting*

19 May (or 2 June) Sacramento- *tabled until January meeting to see what HS meets if any were in conflict third week in May*

15 September Foster City (Annual Meeting)-*confirmed*

17 November-Walnut Creek-*confirmed*

**Next meeting is 20 January at Heather Farms, Walnut Creek**

**9:22 pm Motion to adjourn meeting:** *(Kleeman/S. Connors/unanimous)*

*Respectfully submitted, Dave Shrock and Irene Herman*