



2016 Men's, Women's Track & Field and Athlete's Committee's Annual Meeting minutes – 19 June at UC Berkeley

Meeting moderated by Men's & Women's T&F Chairs Fred Baer Dena Evans plus Athlete Committee Chair Jere' Summers, with eight Association officers and committee members present.

12:45pm meeting called to order

Announcements:

- Grand Prix program is running well with Stephanie Brown-Trafton leading the Women's standings with 5486 points; and Ross Blanchard the Men's with 3179. Fred Baer solicited additional participation and athletes updating their marks. Evans and Summers suggested the 900 point threshold be reduced to increase participation
- Athlete Mike Hines suggested we create a 30sec promo video from a Grand Prix/Grant recipient saying how the awards help, along with Officials and coaches grants.
- Summers reminded athletes the 2017 Foundation Athlete Training Grants will be available in December

Ways to increase participation in the Open Champs:

- Baer suggested we create a mini-series with the PRIDE meet to perhaps host the Master's Champs Memorial weekend, then the Open champs 10-11 June, especially with Sacramento hosting the '17 National Open Champs.
- Evans suggested adding Master's exhibition events by asking Master's Committee what are 'hot events' such as hurdles, etc. Most Master's compete alongside the Open competitors though hurdles are a different height and length.

General discussion:

- Still need to promote meets during collegiate conference champs weeks mid-late May. USF Last Chance was a good start this year.
- Summers suggested offering some open events with Youth meets, though Shrock noted that youth meets are already very full.

1:15pm: Meeting adjourned