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Athletics Manitoba Board Mtg Agenda 7:00pm Tuesday, Mar 21, 2023 ONLINE

Attendance - P. Harms, K. Kelly, B.Jones, J. Howes, K.Wiens, G. Athayde, M. Gregg, O. Babalola, D. Gordon

Regrets – B. Walker, J. Schofield

Agenda:

- 1. Call to order 7:04pm
- 2. Adoption of agenda
 - Addition Brook Masters Spring/Summer schedule
 - o Kathy AGM and format
 - o Motion to approve Brook 2nd Patti
- 3. Approval of Minutes
 - o Nov Brook called into the Nov meeting
 - o Janice Patti 2nd.
 - o January Kathy W
 - there were some missing sections, review the order of the meeting?
 - We did skip reviewing some of the sections in detail due to other pressing business that needed to be discussed.
 - The group agreed to prioritize the Office report and budget conversation. Include the notes that reports were presented but not discussed.
 - Motion to delay the approval of the minutes electronically upon review of the minutes Brook.
 2nd Greg.
- 4. Summary of Business from email communications/motions
 - o n/a
- 5. Presidents Report
 - o Kathy attended Boeing and U Sports Championships as an Official
 - O Able to be a part of the Boeing opening ceremonies. Heard the rumour about the sponsorship pulling out. Very sad announcement. Hoping they find a new sponsor Boeing has always been a premier event in the province.
 - O Hoping that they are able to find a new supporter.
 - o No March AC Branch meeting (due to ON spring break). Kathy and Alanna will be attending AC AGM in June.
 - o Been in regular contact with the office staff as needed.
- 6. MRA report
 - o Biggest thing right now is the news about the ACSC grant. MRA is receiving 2 grants! Very exciting news, waiting to hear back from the Kenyan Cdn association about another grant!
 - o Membership growing!! 360 members and growing everyday. Very good and as a result as huge number of events on their calendar.
 - o Likely some additional small events. Running Room will no longer be insuring events less than 100 people.
 - o 2 events coming up AGM on April 10th, and Hall of Fame on April 24th.
 - 50/50 draw on April 2nd
 - o Special guest speaker CBC is doing a documentary on him and his life! Junel Malapad
- 7. Office report
 - Brook questions
 - Track repair work, steeple pit drainage? No.



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- Track resurfacing work happening around the city could we work on getting some of those other community tracks better upkeep? Whether that is through conversations with school divisions or school trustees?
 - Great project for a board member, especially if they have contacts! Alanna notes that the office just does not have the capacity to tackle this type of project.
- Kathy notes We also need to make sure we are keeping track around the province up to date and in good repair. Not just Winnipeg.
- o Greg MB vs SK dual meet
 - Is there a possibility of adding some Masters events to the competition schedule?
 - Alanna will include that in the request for the U20/Senior events.
 - Same weekend as the US outdoor championships but a local event might be better.
- o Omena Grants for masters?
 - Potentially the ACSC gov of mb application
 - Greg Federal gov had some grants as well that might be appropriate. Also suggested Participaction
 - Masters committee could prepare the bulk of the proposal and then office would submit.
 - Kathy W. notes that the new grant window for the ACSC is likely an extension of the grant not a new application window. I.E. we might not be eligible for a second round of funding!

8. Treasurer report

- Notes from Brian
- o Question Brook Surplus and Legacy funds, how secure are they?
 - GICs
 - Majority of the legacy funds are held with the Winnipeg Foundation they are quite secure and trustworthy to protect our funds.
 - When this was initially started, AM did look at various options Wpg foundation was the best option, very small administration fee. The money is making money annually, but what we see in our budget is only what is freed up each year.
 - Rob Guy reminded the Awards Committee about the friends of Manitoba athletics. Currently matching funds! So that information needs to get out to the membership and community asap!!

9. Committee Reports

- o Masters Committee
 - Report was for the CMA annual general meeting
 - One thing the community has been talking about is the possibility of hosting the CMA indoor championships next year.
 - Brief conversations with Wayne thinking about possibly trying to partner with what was Boeing Classic. Currently collecting information, budget details and then hopefully will be able to put together a bid for that event.
 - Hoping that would be a big recruitment opportunity and showcase event for the Masters Community.
 - Don't really need anything from the Board at the moment, but will keep everyone updated on the progress!
 - 2021 the event was linked with the AC Indoor Nationals, this year they were separated. Masters were in Toronto and held earlier than the year before (and had some conflicts).
 - This weekend is world indoors in Poland no one is making a decision at the moment as they are all extremely busy!! Once they return, the discussion will resume.
 - Possibly meet director options Jim M, Scott G etc.
 - CMA Championships is a big meet in name, but not in actual entry/participant numbers.

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- Would honestly be a great opportunity to get
- o Awards Committee
 - Hall of Fame induction ceremony, was initially planned to be in April but has now been pushed back into Sept.
 - Waiting to hear back from Sport MB Hall of Fame to confirm date and then will move forward with the rest of the event planning.
 - Hors d'oeuvres, drinks, recognition ceremony
 - Want to have the physical board ready in time for the event!
- o Athlete Council
 - No major report
 - Substantial concerns about the track closures.
 - Athletes are wondering why it can't happen in August???
- 10. Questions from submitted reports?

Discussion/Decisions

- 11. AGM Are we going in person or virtual?
 - MRA is staying virtual attendance has increased and has allowed more people from different parts of the province to attend and participate.
 - o Omena if we want attendance, virtual will be better.
 - o Brook Historically we used to get a good turn out at Sport MB in person how do the numbers compare to the past??
 - Kathy Thinks it's pretty comparable. And our focus should be more inclusive with our actions matching our words.
 - Option of combination? With both in person and virtual hybrid event.
 - Needs substantial tech support
 - As much as we might be tired of online meetings the distribution of our membership might warrant it. Either way we need to make sure we communicate the logical behind the choice at the time of the invitation.
 - o Everyone is ok with keeping the event virtual.

12. Insurance

- o Alanna noted that AC has presented the policy documents
- o Need to get some additional information to try and make an informed decision.
- o Follow up with Sport MB to determine whether we can actually get out of the current policy?
- o Age limitation check with AB/Ontario specifically, to see whether they are concerned about the age? Is there something that could be added to the policy to cover the older athletes?
- o Greg will do some additional review of the files provided.

New Business

- o Masters Spring Summer Schedule request to add some additional relays at both Spring Open and Age Class.
- o AM Spring Open mixed relay request
- o Age Class Provincials medley 8-2-2-4
 - Requested that a list of relays be sent to the office so that specific events can be added to the schedules.
- Fun family relays



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Adjournment – Motion to adjourn – Omena 8:47pm

Future Board Meeting dates/times

March 21st 7:00pm May 16th 5:30pm

June 20th AGM – confirm time – 7pm?

 Sept 19th
 5:30pm

 Nov 21st
 7:00pm

 Jan 23rd
 5:30pm