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Office Report

Funding/Grants

- Final reports for 22/23 Bilateral (25k) and Athletics Canada (17k) have been submitted – final payments will be processed shortly
- Bilateral follow up – an additional 14k has been made available for us to purchase Para training equipment. This is in the works and we will finalizing orders next week.
- 23/24 Green Team funding application has been submitted.
- 23/24 Jumpstart Grant has been submitted.
- 23/24 Winnipeg Foundation Community Grant has been submitted.
- 23/24 Athletics Canada Branch Grant – application window will open in April.
- 23/24 Bilateral funding – application window is expected to open in April.
- Canada Summer Games Legacy grant was successful – with 7500 secured towards the purchase of new PV mats. This purchase will be coordinated with the U of M (grant obviously does not cover the full amount of the cost!)
- TODAY (Friday) Gov of MB announced the recipients of the Arts, Culture and Sport in Community Fund.
 - Athletics MB will receive,
 - 25k for the repairs to the outdoor throwing cage – small capital
 - 25k to support the Predator Athletic Club in Beausejour (for the purchase of equipment) – special initiative
 - Manitoba Runners Association was also successful in their two applications!
 - Purchase of race specific equipment – small capital
 - Running for Reconciliation - special initiative
 - <https://www.manitoba.ca/acsc/>

Staffing

- Interviews have been conducted for the Technical Manager position. An offer will be made early next week (Monday/Tuesday) so may have an update in time for the Board meeting.
- Summer staff positions have been posted – deadline to apply is March 24th. Interviews will be conducted in April – positions will not be 100% confirmed until the Green Team funding announcements are distributed.
- Job descriptions have been distributed for your reference – these need to be finalized and will be made available online once Technical Manager has been confirmed.

University of Manitoba – Facility repairs

- The following repair work is going to be completed at both the indoor and outdoor facilities

OUTDOOR STADIUM

- The main warranty work is the bubbling on the horizontal jumps area
- Re-painting of all lane lines and markings
- Javelin runway wear-through
- Small section of wear-through at starting line of lane 4
- There are a few spots where there are small chips down to Mondo

INDOOR FIELDHOUSE

- Starting line of the 10 sprint lanes - there is spike damage (wear-through) across all 10 lanes, 5' behind the starting line. (brown)
- For the pole vault, there is about 4' of spike damage (wear-through). (brown)
- There is one large chip (4"x3") at the banked track edge where the flooring around it is not properly adhered to the Mondo below. (gold)



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- There are a number of sections of the jumps runway (the one inside the track) where there is spike wear-through. (brown)
 - Two takeoff boards require repairs. One repair area is 2"x6", and three repair areas are 2"x2". (Brown)
 - There are four chips at track edge where the flooring is properly adhered around the repair area. (gold) – this one is TBD depending on the cost as it's not under warranty.
 - Re-painting of the lane lines and markings are not covered under warranty – we will have to plan to do this at another time.
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- This is great news but also unfortunately comes with the bad news that the facilities must be closed in order for the work to be completed during the right weather conditions.
 - The Indoor Fieldhouse will be CLOSED from June 19th through June 30th
 - The Outdoor Stadium will be CLOSED from June 19th through July 23rd
 - Staff met with coaches and meet directors this past Wednesday to review the closures, their implications and establish a revised plan for our summer competition calendar.
 - Training time will be booked in Selkirk, and the University of MB has made the indoor facility available for training (as of July 1st) at the same cost we pay for the outdoor facility.
 - Selkirk is also willing to assist with the hosting of competitions.

Competitions

- Overall, another very successful indoor season!
- Summer Competitions
 - Tentative outdoor schedule will be posted online this week and a full detailed message will go out to the membership as soon as possible!!
 - Key dates,
 - Spring Open – May 12-13
 - Tough Track Open – May 27
 - MHSAA – June 8-10 (BRANDON)
 - Junior High Provincial Championships - June 15th
 - U16/U18 provincial team trials – June 16-17
 - This event will likely be hosted by Bison Athletic Club and/or WOA. Open events will likely be included – details to come.
 - Age Class Prov and Legion Trials – July 7-8 (SELKIRK)
 - MB vs. SK dual (AB not able to attend so not truly "Tri Prov") – July 21-23
 - U20/Senior National Championships – July 27-30
 - Additional Grand Prix/Summer Jam dates are being scheduled in May, June and July – Bison Athletic Club and WOA will confirm.
- 2024 Indoor season – MB will be hosting the U Sport Championships
- Unfortunately Boeing will no longer be sponsoring the Indoor Championship event – see announcement from Larry.

Athletics Canada – National Insurance program

- At the request of the branches – Athletics Canada started the process of obtaining a quote for a national insurance program.
- Details of our current Sport MB insurance program are attached as well as the details of the proposed National program.
- **A decision must be made and communicated to Athletics Canada on whether or not we would like to proceed prior to March 28th.**



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Athletics Canada Meetings

- National Officials Committee and Branch Officials Chairs – in person meetings April 21-23rd in Toronto.
 - Alanna is unsure she can attend as there is just too much that needs to be done and a lot of new staff to train! Need to determine whether we can send someone else...
- Athletics Canada AGM – June 1-3rd Alanna and Kathy both attending.

Update from Brian Mayes

- While things are looking promising for two smaller track projects (Windsor Park, and Nelson Mc) we have had a bit of a setback in the west end, as CMU is now saying that they are not interested.
- We are looking at other options in west end. Thank you for your on-going interest and support.

Membership passings

- Unfortunately, we learned this week that Lou Billinkoff passed away.
 - <https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/manitoba/winnipeg-sprinter-lightning-lou-dies-99-1.6780425>
 - This news will be shared with the membership next week.
- And unfortunately, there is an additional passing that must be shared – Athlete Kirk Cadman (father - Scott Cadman) tragically passed away recently after a car accident. So far, we have not seen an obituary... out of respect for the family we have been waiting for the obituary prior to posting/sending our condolences to the family and the community for this loss.

Respectfully submitted,

Alanna Boudreau – March 17, 2023