

Athletics Manitoba Board Meeting
Monday, March 9, 2015
6:30 pm
Sport Manitoba, 145 Pacific Ave.

Present: E. Guy, G. Mitchell, G. Bates, G. Towns, J. Campbell, K. Wiens, O. Babalola, C. Belof, D. Harris, K. Kelly, B. Walker, D. Mandzuk

Absent: J. Schofield, J. Edstrom, K. Ferris

1. Call to order by G. Mitchell at 6:33 p.m.
2. Approval of agenda (Bates/Campbell) *APPROVED*
3. Approval of Minutes of January 26th meeting- (Campbell/Bates)
 Changes to be made:
 - AM conference calls with coaches and athletes
 - 12/16 new people at Officials clinic.
 - 50 teacher candidates took RJTW workshop at the U of M
APPROVED.
4. Matters arising: N/A
5. President's Report (G. Mitchell):
 - Grant commented on encouraging results and good turnout for recent indoor meets
 - Reference to MTFOA matters. J. Edstrom to act as Acting President of MTFOA with resignation of C. Doroshuk
 - Delay approved in MTFOA getting back to AM re: plans to change things
 - Hope is yet to find a consensual agreement to outstanding issues
 - G. Mitchell noted the MTFOA ad in the Boeing Games programme
 - Grant and Donna both missed the last AC conference call with other branch presidents
 - Grant to let his name stand for possible nomination to the AC Discipline Committee
 - Note from Richard Winton dated March 9/15 re: state of electronic timing system acknowledged

Treasurer's Report (B. Walker): Year end is March 31st. At the next meeting, he will give an update on our financial statement. He is optimistic of what the first three months will look like for AM. Question from J. Campbell re: Dave Lyon and D. Stevens funds and encouraged us to promote the funds again. B. Walker noted that we only have about \$4500 more before the Winnipeg Foundation will match what we have raised. The next \$4500 contributed to the Winnipeg Foundation will be matched dollar for dollar. After that any additional contributions will be matched \$1 for every \$5 contributed. General agreement that we should continue to raise awareness about the intent of these funds and to encourage people to give.

6. Office Report (D. Harris):

- Donna talked about staff and policy changes at AC
- Carding system to be reviewed
- Meets have gone well
- Track Attack and relay events have more registrations than ever
- Max Bell track now re-named as the James Daly Field House
- Boeing Games numbers are down probably due to school meets. Agreement that schools and Boeing organizers need to be brought together somehow in the future. Not as many athletes from schools but good turnout from teams outside of Manitoba.
- Can-West a success and we received very positive feedback
- Jenny Barager Petrash and Jay Ort both competed in Colombia and will soon be going to China to compete for Canada in their respective age groups and events
- Summer students to be hired soon
- Fieldwork placement for a U of M student is in the works for the fall
- Minor changes will be made to Ming Wu's position – greater focus on high performance and less on outreach
- Shirley Boudreau's transition has now begun – membership and communication to be taken on more by Alanna in the future. She shouldn't be at every meet in the future.
- New grant of \$7500 for a P/T coach is now available so AM will be posting soon
- Status of current photo timing is a concern given upcoming meets in the next few years. Meeting with T. Armstrong and S. Boudreau is in the works.
- O. Babalola suggested that AM's IT system needs to be tied to the University's IT system and that we should begin these kinds of discussions before the major meets are held
- Chris pulling Equipment Committee together so that we can plan better in the future

7. MRA Update (Kathy Wiens):

- Donna attended the MRA meeting in February
- LTAD was discussed with respect to MRA's Youth Series
- More promotion has happened in the schools and looking forward to this year's response
- This year is a transition year so changes will not be made this late but discussions have been had with all race directors
- Youth Series will consist of 15 races this year
- MRA: 13 races and *Stride Ahead* has agreed to sponsor the entire series
- Hall of Fame dinner at Canad Inns (Fort Garry) on March 31
- The appointment of Rachel Munday as the new Exec. Director of the Manitoba Marathon was noted

8. Officials Update (Jane Edstrom - not present at meeting)

- Two current officials have now increased their levels and a number of people will be working at the Pan Am Games in Toronto this summer

- Recruitment of officials is an issue across the country and efforts are in place to increase our numbers locally

10. New Business:

- MTFOA Update (already done)
- By-Law and Constitution review. D. Harris led the Board through the proposed revisions to the AM By-laws
- Special Meeting to vote on the change of timing for the AGM: April 13th/15. Location TBA.
- Credit Card Signing Authority and limit: Should be the same as banking authorities.
MOTION: Treasurer, Exec. Director and Program Manager should have signing authority (Campbell/Bates) *APPROVED*.
- Awards Committee:
- MOTION: To accept Donna's recommendation for membership composition. (Campbell/Bates) *APPROVED*
- Sponsorship Committee: terms of reference have now been established. Donna to work with 2 Board members and 2 athlete reps.
MOTION: To accept Donna' recommendation re: committee composition.
- W. Samking and E. Guy to be athlete reps and G. Bates as Board member. (Campbell/Bates) *APPROVED*.

MOTION to adjourn: Campbell/Babalola at 9:13 p.m.

Adjournment at:

Next full Board meeting May 11, 2015

AGM to be held on Monday, June 15, 2015

Mission statement:

Athletics Manitoba promotes sport for life, performance excellence, and long-term development of athletics in Manitoba.

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Vision statement:

Inspiring participation, achieving excellence, maximizing potential