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Minutes of the Athletics Manitoba Board Meeting
Monday, November 10, 2014
6:30 pm

Present: C. Belof, F. Allen, G. Bates, G. Towns, O. Babalola, K. Wiens for J. Vince, D. Harris, K. Ferris, J. Campbell, B. Walker, G. Mitchell, J. Neufeld, J. Schofield, K. Kelly, J. Edstrom (visitor)

Regrets: David Mandzuk

Recorder: Kathy Kelly

- Call to Order at 6:30
- Additions:
 - Nominating Report
 - Officials
- Approval of agenda (Campbell/Babalola) *APPROVED*
- Approval of minutes of September 2014 meeting (Bates/Campbell) *APPROVED*
- Matters arising:
 - None that are not already on the agenda.
- President's Report (G. Mitchell):
 - Outgoing board members: John and Fred not having name stand. 4 of 6 have indicated willingness to run again.
 - Awards Banquet: Thanked Committee. Well organized. Norwood Hotel did a good job.
 - Tickets – free to those nominees and winners; others pay for tickets with exception of Board members.
 - Celebration rather than a break even or money making event.
 - Grant asked that any ideas for future celebrations be sent to the Executive.
 - First indoor meet – November 28-29 2014 Last chance meet.
 - Staffing:
 - Full capacity: ED 1 EFT; PC 1EFT and part time in Communications and Financial services plus Provincial Coach.
 - ED keeps the Board informed of day to day operations. Great start.
 - Strategic Plan remains the focus for the Board.
 - AGM Monday, November 17, 2014 SM at 6:30 pm.
 - Officials Motion will be voted on at a different meeting.



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- Treasurer's Report (B. Walker):
 - Report provided.
 - Finances have been switched to Quick Books.
 - Work is ongoing to develop budgets by programs.
 - Reviewed line by line in terms profit/surplus.
 - Questions: Answered satisfactorily.

- Office Report (C. Belof & D. Harris):
 - Balance of CSG – WCSG Coaching – all applicants notified. Announcements pending.
 - High Performance Plan: Experts contacted both in sports and in SM and AM. First meeting. Direct link to AC HP pathway.
 - Bi-Monthly and Monthly meetings with stakeholders – ie Coaches, Athletes
 - Intend to gather info to support stakeholders groups.
 - Keen group of male athletes, but only one female attended.
 - Lots of comments and questions.
 - New Funding framework – through SM – it works on a quadrennial cycle. It is performance based but funding would be relatively stable – every four years. Better in that it does not compare sports. C. Trono was part of the development. AM Strategic Plan links well to this new SM process.
 - Timing is good in that applications are due in March with funding received in May/June which provides cash flow at a better financial year.
 - Cross Country: Season has concluded.
 - Numbers down in Club cross country.
 - MHSAA championships still getting great numbers.
 - Awards Banquet: Thanks to Committee.
 - Fixtures meeting: Early December for evening meeting at the request of the stakeholder for Outdoors. Has Club representation. Plan is to review meet dates as well as opportunities for training camps. Discussions with athletes was that more local meets is not necessarily the right move.

- MRA Update (K. Wiens):
 - MRA regular monthly meetings to confirm 2015 race schedule.
 - Board expanded to manage meets and for succession planning.
 - MRA ED away and Board members are stepping in.
 - MOU – Leni, Jeff met with ED and PC. Jeff has agreed to make revisions.
 - Need for new sponsors for Timex Series. New major sponsor required.
 - Awards Banquet Oct 28.
 - First Race Directors meeting is November 15, 2014 with follow up in Feb/March 2015.
 - Clinic proposed for runner safety due to recent events. One person attacked and second man exposed himself.
 - Generally, #'s down.



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- Nominating Committee (K. Kelly):
 - Six outgoing Board members.
 - Four have agreed to let their name stand again.
 - An additional four from the Athletics community have put their names forward.
 - Additional nominations may be added from the floor.

- Officials update (C. Doroshuk):
 - 5 officials travelled out of province 2013/2014 for mentoring and upgrading.
 - 12 proposed for travelling this 2014/2015 for mentoring and upgrading.
 - AGM November 19 2014.
 - Level 1 training at Bison meet. Number of volunteers from Special Olympics parents interested in becoming officials. This will be held February 6 on the Friday evening of the meet.

- Sanction Fee increases (D. Harris):
 - Hy tek training will occur free of charge for club members who are interested.
 - The process has been vetted with Club Coaches.
 - Significant need for succession planning for meet entries and results in the area of entries and results management.

- Equipment Committee (D. Harris):
 - New terms of reference circulated for information.
 - Committee needed to address the provincial need for equipment due to the number of current and proposed athletics sites as well the confirmed events for the five years.
 - Road running to be part of the committee and RR equipment considered with other equipment needs.
 - Structure of the committee is facility based.
 - Draft will take out the first sentence under the Scope and Jurisdiction.

- Officials Committee:
 - Two motions on the table:
 1. Dissolve MTFOA
 2. Manage Officials internally
 - DH presented the rationale for these motions as per the documents circulated.
 - Members of the AM Executive and DH met MTFOA.
 - Not voted on tonight but for discussion. Will be voted on after the MTFOA AGM due to the request of MTFOA to discuss with the officials at the AGM. October 29, 2014.
 - Motion has been circulated to the membership of MTFOA for discussion at their board meeting.
 - GM explained that the new Board of Directors of AM will vote on this motion at a later date.
 - Discussion points:
 - MTFOA – please see the attached statement from MTFOA which was read at the meeting



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- Manitoba Games meet revision (D. Harris):
 - Change the event to a relay meet.
 - Track and field relays have been proposed
 - A cross country event will be added (allows for team and individual competition)

- Legion and Canada summer games update (facilities) (D. Harris):
 - There are three confirmed projects for new track construction or resurfacing between now and 2016.
 - Steinbach is new construction; Brandon and Winnipeg are planning to resurface.
 - AM is working to facilitate the provision of experts to these groups so the work is done properly and we can save collectively where possible.

New Business:

- Awards Revision:
 - Grant Towns is recommending that Light Uchechukwu share the Bantam Award. He reviewed the data that supports his request that Light should have also won the award and that AM award to her the same award as the athlete that won.
 - Motion: AM after careful review will award to Asha Gurney and Light Uchechukwu the female Bantam Athlete of the year honors as co-winners. (Town/Campbell)
 - Grant Towns volunteered to be on the selection committee.

- Provincial 5km and 10km Championships
 - MRA would like to see that there are 5km and 10 km provincial championships.
 - Empower Run has traditionally been the 10 km provincial championship.
 - The decision will which races will be designated at the provincial championships will be made in conjunction MRA, the Race Directors and AM.

Next meeting January 12, 2014

Mission statement:

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

Vision statement:

Inspiring participation, achieving excellence, maximizing potential