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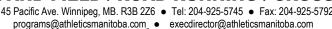
# Minutes of Meeting:

Athletics Manitoba Board Meeting Monday, January 26, 2015 6:30 pm Sport Manitoba Bldg. 145 Pacific Ave.

<u>Present</u>: Claude B., Gord B., Grant T., Omena B., Karen F. Brian W., Kathy K., Eric G., Jennifer C., Jeff V., Kathy W., Grant M., Donna H., and Jessica S., Chris B. and David M.

Regrets: Cindy D.

- Call to Order (G. Mitchell) at 6:37 p.m.
- Approval of Agenda (Campbell/Bates)
- Approval of Minutes from November 10th meeting (Campbell/Ferris)
   Thanks to K. Kelly for taking Nov. minutes in David's absence.



- Matters arising: None
- President's Report (G. Mitchell)
  - Good turnout at indoor meets so far this season
  - Stressed importance of board member presence
  - Reminder about registering as an AM member
  - AM AGM plus MTFOA AGM have occurred since last AM Board meeting
  - Mediation process between AM and MTFOA has begun with Dennis Harrison (MB. Dept. of Labour) providing guidance. Met twice and process continues.
  - Attended 2 meetings of AC branch presidents since last Board meeting. Timex and Hershey sponsorship issues discussed at that time. New framework from AC is on its way. Branch presidents introduced to Scott McDonald as Dave Weikert's replacement.
  - Contracts for Donna and rest of staff are underway.
- <u>Treasurer's Report (B. Walker)</u>: Statement of operations for current year reviewed. \$35,000 in membership fees collected at this point but more still



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to come. \$316,000 in expenses to date. More expenses than revenues expected for coming months.

- Budget review for 2015-16: 2 sheets: Totals reviewed by account and then by program. D. Harris spoke to income and expenses in light of entry and membership fee increases. (Saskatchewan charges \$20 per event while we have just increased ours to \$8).
- E. Guy encouraged us not to worry too much about increasing entry fees compared to other provinces.
- C. Berube encouraged us to gradually increase fees as well. G. Mitchell countered with a caution re: fee increase and their effects on inner city athletes.
- C. Berube: Any thoughts to standardizing fees across events? Would that make it simpler?

MOTION: To increase the basic entry fee from \$5 to \$8 per event and relays from \$10 to \$15 effective the start of the 2015 outdoor season (Bates/Campbell) APPROVED with one opposed. Further increases will be considered in the future but will be discussed by the Board and if agreed upon, will be communicated well in advance.

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MOTION: To approve the budget in principle (Walker/Kelly) before it is presented to Sport Manitoba. APPROVED. Final draft will be passed by the Board beforehand.

- Office Report (D. Harris & C. Belof):
- there have been a number of conference calls with AM
- proposal to move Awards Banquet to Sport Manitoba Bldg. to bring down ticket prices for the event. Discussion ensued. The space has already been booked but will now be left with the committee for further planning.
- Athlete and coach conference calls meetings have with coaches and athletes
- Coach meetings have gone well trying to work together more
- Working with Steinbach, Brandon and Selkirk on new tracks or track upgrades.
- Consultant from AC will be used to consult on track upgrades
- Emergency action plan now revised for clubs that are sanctioning events
- Much time spent on Integrated Planning Framework that will be reviewed later in the meeting

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- Boeing meet coming up. Any other ads? Speak to Larry S.
- Chris working on equipment plan. UM and AM will be cost sharing on new blocks and high jump poles.
- *MOTION*: To approve the purchase of 9 sets of starting blocks (Babalola/Ferris) *APPROVED*.
- MRA Update (K. Wiens):
- race calendar is now out
- 13 MRA races and 12/13 youth races
- MRA is now on FaceBook and response has been very positive
- New races have been added. Puma has not responded as of yet. Those 3 races have been replaced with Saturday races at Assiniboine Park.
- 5 and 10k Windburn series 1st two in April
- "Go for the Burn" 5 & 10k on April 25<sup>th</sup>
- Sponsorship package now being developed. Timex and Credit Union sponsorships have been lost.
- There has been some turnover on the MRA Board.
- Donna to come to next MRA Board meeting.

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- AC Road Running framework draft has been sent out but no real "youth" presence. Some concerns have been expressed about this.
- Officials Update Cindy Doroshuk absent. Item deferred to next meeting since mediation process continues. Officials clinic scheduled for Feb. 6<sup>th</sup> and 12/16 new people attended
- New Business:
- AGM date change June works better from a financial perspective. Board has discussed this before. Monday, June 15<sup>th</sup> may work for this purpose. General agreement.
- More than 30 days notice will be given to the Athletics community via AM website.
- *MOTION:* To move 2015 AM AGM meeting to June, 2105. (Babalola/Schofield). *APPROVED.*
- <u>Meeting schedule</u>: Move to 2<sup>ND</sup> Monday of every second month from this point on. Agreed.
- <u>Executive election</u>: *MOTION*: To extend the term of the current executive until the June, 2015 AGM. (Bates/Schofield) *APPROVED*

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- <u>IFF Submission</u>. D. Harris walked the Board through the various parts of the document: 1) Current state, 2) Summary of the sport self-assessment (gaps), 3) Our Road Map (Participation, Performance Pathway and Technical Enhancement, and Promotion and Communication). Donna responded to questions from E. Guy, J. Campbell and G. Bates. G. Bates expressed an interest in stepping up efforts in sponsorship. C. Berube agreed but suggested that UM and AM (and perhaps MRA) work together.
- MOTION: To approve the IIF submission as presented (Towns/Kelly).

  APPROVED.
- <u>Revisions to Bingo Policy</u>: D. Harris reviewed changes. *MOTION*: To make the suggested revisions to the current bingo policy given recent no-shows and penalties levied. (Bates/Campbell) *APPROVED*
- <u>Performance Pathway Funding:</u> D. Harris walked the Board through the Performance Pathway Funding proposal and responded to questions. Suggestion about clarifying what is meant by "F/T". Suggestion noted.
- MOTION: To approve the Performance Pathway Funding proposal in principle. APPROVED
   Other:

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- Run Jump Throw Wheel (J. Campbell). 50 teacher candidates have now signed up for RKTW session being planned in February. Thanks to J. Campbell and MTFOA for their efforts in this regard.
- <u>High School Series</u> (J. Campbell): Entries are way up this year. Approaching capacity at this time.
- <u>Announcement:</u> Indoor track at the Max Bell Centre to be renamed the Jim Daly Fieldhouse. Formal ceremony to be held at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, Feb 27<sup>th</sup> during the Can-West meet. Announcement was resoundingly approved by the Board!
- Adjournment at 8:52 p.m.
- Next meeting March 9, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.

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Vision statement: Inspiring participation, achieving excellence, maximizing given