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Athletics Manitoba Board Mtg Minutes 5:30 pm Tuesday, March 26th, 2019 Sport MB

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Attendance- G. Mitchell, J. Schofield, K. Kelly, T. Turner, J. Vince, O. Babalola, A. Boudreau, P. Harms (by Skype), D. Grey, J. Kist and Krista

Regrets- B. Walker, K. Ferris, C. Boyd, J. McMullen

Call to Order-5:37 p.m.

Motion to Adopt of Agenda- O. Babalola (2nd- J. Kist)- carried

- a) Addition to agenda- AC Information Sharing

Motion to Approve the Minutes- O. Babalola (2nd- J. Schofield)- carried

Questions from Submitted Reports-

- a) President's Report- Grant added that he attended the Flap Jack Fundraiser for the Manitoba Runners Association and indicated it was a successful event. We did not receive an MRA Report for this meeting but Grant provided an oral report on their behalf as follow:
 - Grant Towns and Terry Fox are being inducted to the MRA Hall of Fame.
 - Grant Towns was formerly a member of our board and has been of great assistance to the organization particularly with our Awards Event. A number of members of Terry Fox's family are expected to attend the Hall of Fame Event.
 - Assiniboine Park is being significantly disrupted because of construction. Only the events in April and May will go ahead in the usual way. Any event May will be modified to leave the park as a result of the construction.
 - The MRA AGM is next week (April 1st) and is being held at Sport Manitoba Event. The Hall of Fame dinner tickets are also still available and this event is scheduled for April 15th.
 - There is an issue that has been raised again about the location of the plaques naming individuals to the MRA Hall of Fame (currently at the Convention Centre). There has been a suggestion that it be moved to the Jim Daly Centre (at Max Bell). Alanna said that we would have to have this discussion with the University. Alanna can speak with Claude/Simon about this.
- b) Office Report-There are three of our coaches nominated for Coaching Manitoba Impact Award- Bryce Koscielny (Peter Williamson Award), Andy Tough (Peter Williamson Award), Scott Gurnie (Peter Dyck Award). Chris Harbeck was also nominated (Volunteer Award).
- c) Treasurer Report (by Alanna)- Alanna has to confirm with Brian that the amount forecasted for Sport Manitoba Grants is correct. There is a cheque coming (through Sport Manitoba) from the Winnipeg Foundation. This should be confirmed shortly. There are training times that are to be paid for exclusive use for about \$11,000 that will be paid likely after the year end of March 31st and have been deferred to the next fiscal year. There is also deferred monies coming from a clinic that is not completed. The "Current" column reflects the figures based on a cash basis and the "Forecast" column reflects the



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figures based on an accrual basis. Alanna confirmed that we had some revenue from the Youth Sport Championships but this event mostly only generated income for the University.

Discussion/Decisions:

Presentation by MRA President- Krista- National Sport Trust Fund Application

- (a) Kathy Wiens (Executive Director of MRA), Alanna, Grant and Krista met to talk about MRA and AM collaborating going forward. One of the initiatives that were discussed was the ability for members to make charitable donations for which they can receive a receipt. Krista's background is in the charitable sector.
- (b) The National Sport Trust Fund is a registered charity. Provincial Sport offices can apply to have a project for charitable donations which can be submitted to the National Sport Funds (the project must be pre-approved by the Board in order to qualify).
- (c) When the funds are sent in, the Provincial Sport office can then apply for funding.
- (d) All forms must be done in paper (no electronic applications). Payments must be made by cheque.
- (e) Alanna has met with Jacklyn who is the contact in Manitoba.
- (f) MRA is currently in the process of submitting an application which they intend to run for the next two years as a pilot project.
- (g) MRA requires approval from our board in order to proceed to partner with them to initiate the project.
- (h) MRA has been working on defining the project. They want to purchase equipment including the purchase of a generator as well as the promotion of participation (including the Youth Race Series and the Hall of Fame).
- (i) The National Sport Trust Fund requires that the donation is programming related not directed to one individual or groups of individuals.
- (j) Jacklyn has the ability to approve the project provided that it is less than \$10,000
- (k) There is a 5% administration fee and the Fund also makes money through investment revenue.
- (l) Grant raised that this is consistent with the ideas we have come up with in our strategic planning to put some more focus on fundraising. It is possible that we could structure our equipment contributions under one of these projects so that the contributions are tax deductible. We have to compare this to the Winnipeg Foundation process that we are currently engaged in and decide what makes the best sense for our organization.
- (m) There was a consensus amongst the board that there is very little risk in MRA proceeding with this initiative.
- (n) Athletics Manitoba did previously do one of these projects a number of years ago for equipment renewal.
- (o) Krista confirmed that once a project is approved that the process for a second project would be an easier process.
- (p) The final application will be circulated electronically for board approval. In the interim, Krista and Alanna will continue to work together on the application.

Strategic Planning- Next Steps

- (a) The last time we did our strategic plan we did a survey of our membership. Alanna will use the same survey system that we used last time. Some of the questions warrant being re-asked whereas some questions from the previous survey are no longer relevant.
- (b) Grant asked if we will be inquiring whether an in-person meeting is something people think is a useful exercise. There was consensus that the view of the stakeholders on this issue will be important and Alanna confirmed that this question will be included in the survey.



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- (c) Alanna confirmed she will be sending the questionnaire to the Board for approval. After it is approved it will go on the website and will be circulated to the membership.
- (d) The completion of the Strategic Planning must be done by the time our IFF submission is due next January.
- (e) Grant suggested that we could do a group discussion of the stakeholders at the AGM in June. Alanna thinks she can have the questions ready to be circulated by the end of April which works in terms of timing to use the AGM as an opportunity to discuss.
- (f) We discussed that this strategic planning process does not have to be completed to the same degree as last time given that last time was really foundational.

Information Sharing

(a) Safe Sport Summit

- Last Wednesday there was a Safe Sport Summit led by the Coaching Association of Canada.
- This issue has also been addressed recently at Athletics Canada AGM.
- There has been a National Effort to try to create a Pan-Canadian Policy. There are some inherent challenges because different sports have different policies.
- Part of the purpose of the Summit was education.
- We need to ensure that the policies are being followed on the ground and Alanna is going to go through our policies.
- Our bingo policy has to be updated. Alanna is going to go through this and add her comments in regards to required changes.
- Alanna also confirmed that Andy McInnis and Ken Porter of the Ottawa Lions Track Club have been suspended. McInnis was previously suspended but was permitted by Porter to participate in a coaching clinic. There was also a recent allegation made against McInnis in relation to respect for sport.

(b) CSG Legacy Fund

- Athletics Manitoba and the University of Manitoba have applied to the Canada Summer Games Legacy fund for \$10,000 to assist with the purchase of a scoreboard. CSG agreed to pay \$4,000 (\$3,000 of which will be paid upfront with the balance after the purchase has been made).
- We had a discussion about downscaling the purchase to a less fancy scoreboard. We also discussed funding the balance of the price by getting a corporate donor who could put their name on the scoreboard.
- There is insufficient staff time to be able to seek out potential donors so it was agreed that a summer student would work on finding sponsorship dollars and/or a committee of board members would work on seeking out sponsorship.
- Jarett, Grant, Patti and Demetri agreed to be on the committee.
- The funding will need to be in place by September so that the scoreboard could be in place for the 2019/2020 season.

Other Business:

- Kathy confirmed that as vice-president and chair of the nominations committee she and Alanna will speak about filing the board positions that will become vacant at the June 18th AGM.
- The AC AGM in Ottawa is in May- Alanna, Grant and Kathy will be in attendance.
- The next board meeting is at 7:00 p.m. on May 28th



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The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m. (O. Babalola)