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Athletics Manitoba Board Mtg Agenda 5:30pm Tuesday, Sept 22nd, 2020 ONLINE

Present: K. Kelly, J. Schofield, B. Walker, K. Ferris, D. Sawatzky-Dickson, J. Howe, K. Wiens, P. Harms, D. Gray, G. Athayde, Donnae Gordon (Athletes Rep), Oyinko Akinola (Coaches Rep)

Regrets: A. Boudreau, G. Mitchell, P. Harms, O. Babalola, T. Daigle and T. Turner

- 1) Call to order - 5:41
- 2) Adoption of Agenda- We revised the agenda to add an update regarding the status of the new committees that we agreed to create at the last AGM.
- 3) Approval of Minutes- The Minutes are going to be approved after the meeting electronically as there was a technical issue and the wrong meeting minutes were circulated.
- 4) Submitted Reports:

President Report-

- a) Kathy confirmed that she would be providing a Report electronically after the meeting.

MRA Report-

- a) Kathy confirmed that MRA has postponed the Hall of Fame Banquet.
- b) The Ice Cream Runs went ahead virtually and were a great success with sponsorship from Sargent Sundae so that all participants received a coupon.
- c) The Manitoba Marathon has gone completely virtual because it was not possible to proceed with any sort of in-person event.
- d) The Awards Ceremony also cannot happen in person and they are deciding what to do instead.
- e) The Race Directors meeting is also going virtual.
- f) The MRA board is cognizant that there is likely to be less federal funding next year and are trying to plan to be as prepared for this as possible.

Office Report

- a) Attendance at our clinics has been down by approximately 50%
- b) Outdoor training during July and August went fairly smoothly;
- c) We are waiting for approval from Max-Bell, we expect to have a response in the near future;



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- d) The Provincial championships are currently still scheduled to occur with a cap of 100 but this may change if there is an increase in public health restrictions.
- e) (e)The office would like to keep one of our summer students on until December 15th, this student has been managing our Instagram account. We have some funding left and more funding may be available. There was a consensus that this makes sense.
- f) We need to put a name forward for our Branch Representative for Canadian Masters Athletics. Alanna will circulate a draft job description for the position to the board.
- g) Alanna has done some research and is proposing that we purchase some masks with an AM logo. She will circulate more information on this following the meeting.
- h) Alanna has been asked to be on a newly established committee for Athletics Canada (Safe & Equitable Sport Committee). Dimitri indicated that he has done some research recently in this area and is happy to discuss further or participate as needed. We agreed that this is an issue that we need to address at the board level. It was suggested that we can also have the marketing committee work on this as well.
- i) It was confirmed that we will receive our Bilateral funding from Sport Manitoba, however there is likely to be some sort of condition that if we are unable to spend the whole amount, we may need to return the funds or at least the unused portions.
- j) Inner City Program Development- we are working with some partners to try to continue this programing.

Treasury Report

- a) Brian reviewed the internal statements which show that we've been able to keep afloat fairly well as a result of the government funding that we've received.
- b) We reviewed a number of options. Brian confirmed that if we do not do any events, we would have about a \$31,000 surplus. It was acknowledged that there are a lot of issues/disadvantages with that approach and unless absolutely necessary, we do not want to proceed in that fashion. With modest programming, we may have a minor deficit. If somehow we actually could have travel and close to our normal programming we would have a more significant deficit but given Canada Games has already been cancelled this last scenario is not realistic. In the circumstances, there was a consensus that proceeding with modest programming was the best option.
- c) We have about \$89,000 in the bank account right now. We also have about \$110,000 in GIC's. This is not all accessible for general operations as some of it is ear-marked for capital expenditures (about 20K of this is from the equipment levy).
- d) Brian confirmed that there will be an impact on our budgeting based on whether the facilities at U of M are available.



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- a) (e) Kathy confirmed that the outstanding equipment purchases to be made this year mostly relate to indoor equipment and the cage.
 - b) (f) The proposed budget includes funding that we want to disperse to the clubs to support them.
- 5) Committee Reports
- a) The Athletes Council meeting went well (this was the second meeting).
 - b) Equipment Committee- Ted was not able to make it and accordingly this discussion was deferred.
 - c) Master's Committee- Nothing formal has been started on this committee yet but once we have our new Master's Rep (as outlined in the office report), we will get this committee going.
 - d) Governance and Awards- These also have not yet commenced formal operations but will do so later in the fall.
- 6) Discussions and Decisions:
- a) Awards Banquet - Alanna proposed cancelling the Annual Awards event but still announcing and distributing the annual awards. There was a consensus that we go ahead with announcing virtually and distributing some sort of certificate.
 - i. Karen made a motion to cancel the awards event and proceed virtually (seconded by Doris). The motion was carried.
 - b) Club Support - Kathy put forward two options: we provide support to the clubs on the assumption that U of M will open their facilities or wait until the U of M decision has been made.
 - i. Brian put forward an alternate solution that we pay 50% of the support now with the idea that the other 50% would be payable if U of M becomes available.
 - ii. Karen suggested we pay Q2 but hold back Q3 and Q4 until we have a U of M decision.
 - iii. Brian made a motion to pay out the Q2 and Q3 payments to the club and wait on the Q4 payment until we have the U of M decision (vote on Q4 to occur electronically)- Dimitri seconded- Motion carried.
 - c) Performance Pathway Funding - Alanna proposed that the same group of athletes, will automatically qualify for the same level of funding they achieved last summer. The additional requirement would be that athletes MUST have renewed their membership for 20/21 and be actively training during the indoor season.
 - i. Doris confirmed that anything that happened this summer was not recorded and therefore wouldn't have resulted in any new qualifications.



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- ii. Dimitri made a motion to have the same group of athletes automatically qualify for the same level of funding they achieved last summer on the conditions that they have renewed their membership and are actively training (Janice seconded)- Motion carried.
- d) Equipment repair/purchase - The indoor cage needs to be replaced as soon as possible and in any event before competition.
- e) Karen made a motion to give priority to the indoor throwing cage and get this purchased as soon as possible in addition to the outstanding list of equipment of outstanding purchases from last year (seconded by Doris).- Carried

Adjournment- (7:11 p.m.)

Board Meeting dates/times

Nov 17 th	7pm
Jan 19 th	5:30pm
March 23 rd	7pm
May 18 th	5:30pm
June 15 th Or June 22 nd ?	