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Athletics Manitoba Board Mtg Minutes

5:30pm Tuesday, Nov 16, 2021

ONLINE

Attendance:

- Kathy Kelly;
- Karen Ferris;
- Kathy Wiens;
- Janice Howe;
- Greg Athayde;
- Doris Sawatzky-Dickson;
- Brian Walker;
- Dimitri Grey;
- Patricia Harms;
- Alanna Boudreau;
- Brook Jones;
- Donnae Gordon; and
- Omena Babalola.

1. Call to Order- 5:32 p.m.
2. Adopt Agenda- D. Sawatzky-Dickson/2nd- D. Grey
3. Approve Minutes as circulated- G. Athayde/2nd – P. Harms
4. Summary of Business from email communications/motions- Alanna confirmed there were sufficient responses to the Hall of Fame e-mail and this will be addressed later in the meeting.
5. Presidents Report- There has been a group of new officials that have completed their level one and level two. These new officials will get some exposure at the upcoming Brown & Gold. The Semi-Annual General Meeting is coming up in December, Kathy and Alanna will be attending on behalf of AM.
6. MRA report- Kathy reported that MRA has been really busy. Memberships went for sale as of November 1st and the year end is December. The Awards event is happening in November and is taking place virtually. Kathy provided a reminder that AM members are entitled can apply for a complimentary MRA membership (using coupon code AMMEMBER).
7. Office report –The draft submission for Sport Manitoba is in process. MRA Hall of Fame Plaques have been installed
8. Treasurer report- Brian pointed out that the Audit for last year confirms a fairly substantial surplus which is as a result of the grants/Covid funding we received and because expenses were so much lower. We are currently on pace for the year based on our budget (within about \$5,000). We have two new grants that we wouldn't usually have this year- a Jump Start Grant for 15K and \$15K for bilateral (these are listed under fundraising but in order to avoid any confusion, they will be moved under grants). There is still opportunity for Covid funding but it will not be at the same level as in previous year.
9. Committee Reports
 - a. Masters- Greg confirmed the club/coach survey had been sent out. There was only about 12 responses (which may in part be because the Club sent one response on behalf of all their coaches). There are about eight birth dates yet to verify in terms of the data/records. This should be posted in the near future. Greg also confirmed that there have been some links/information on the AM



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Website and also continuing to work on the Newsletter (still hoping to have a first edition out by the end of the year). The committee meetings have been well attended and there are a couple new members joining. The CMA virtual seminars are continuing. Greg has also confirmed that there has been really good attendance from Master's athletes at recent cross-country events. The Cross-Country Master's Championships is happening later this month.

- b. Equipment- There was an issue raised with respect to equipment not being put away at the track. Alanna will be sending a reminder out about this.
- c. Governance- The Committee has been working on the policies and are getting close to being able to provide drafts soon.
- d. Athlete Council – There is a meeting coming up in the near future and next time Donnae hopes to have a more substantive update.

Discussion/Decisions

10. Health orders – implication on Dec 4th competition

- a. As of Dec 6th University of MB will be checking vaccination status for ALL participants 12 and up.
- b. Alanna raised the issue with the U of M whether they intended to implement this rule for the Dec 4th George Tanner Classic? The U of M has confirmed that they will be following the order (and therefore the requirement will not be in effect until December 6th)
- c. There are a number of questions in terms of figuring out the logistics in terms of enforcing this but the office is working on getting this all figured out. Currently the U of M staff has been checking vaccination status.
- d. Alanna will be sending out a membership update shortly.

11. Hall of Fame – Questions arising from the previous email communications

- a. Alanna confirmed that there were some good questions raised that are being addressed.
- b. The question was raised in terms of how to verify membership status prior to current Trackie system/records? The answer to this unfortunately is that we can't, so what do we do instead? Alanna suggested that we have to assume that they were an active member. Omena suggested that we have to have some due diligence process. Kathy indicated that the individuals who are listed as members of a club would presumably had to have paid their membership fees and we have to assume they were a member. Greg raised that we could look at making people honorary members to address this concern. Alanna confirmed that the committee will work out the details and logistics to bring back to the Board.
- c. The proposal regarding the Male/Female split is that it would be equal.
- d. The idea would be the # of inductees per year could vary depending on the year and there would no minimum set. Kathy confirmed that this is also the way MRA approaches the nominations each year.
- e. Budget implications – There has been some discussion with the University regarding what the physical display will look like at the University. There are questions that Alanna wanted to get feedback on are whether we envision a dinner, involvement of alumni, are there physical awards, etc.
- f. Janice and Karen suggested that the annual awards night could be a cost effective manner to deal with this. Alanna raised that this may be an issue in terms of timing restraints if the number of inductees is large.
- g. Karen raised that there could be a good sponsorship opportunity
- h. Kathy added that the focus has to be on celebrating the inductees

Adjournment- J. Schofield- 7:06