

The next PNTF Board meeting will be held on Monday, September 17, 2001 at The College Club, 505 Madison St. in downtown Seattle. Park free in the College Club garage. Enter garage off 5th, south of Madison. Optional dinner from 6 to 7 pm in the excellent College Club Dining Room. The meeting starts at 7:00 pm. For those of you who would like to get the minutes by e-mail, please tell me your e-mail address, or send an e-mail to boblang@wolfenet.com. If you no longer wish to receive this, please e-mail me or phone 206-433-8868 to be removed.

NOTE: There will be no August meeting. The next meeting will be September 17, the standard 3rd Monday of the month.

Minutes of PNTF Meeting July 23, 2001

The meeting was called to order at exactly 7:00 p.m. by President Bob Springer. Also present were Lawrie Robertson, Gwen Robertson, Janell Kaufman, Neal Stoddard, Derrek Berkompas, Mark Ward, Carole Langenbach, Bill Roe, and Bob Langenbach.

I. Minutes and Executive Reports

A. Secretary: It was moved, seconded and passed to approve the minutes of the PNTF Meeting of May 21, 2001 as published.

B. President: Bob Springer mumbled some excuse about house remodeling, travel to Australia, and being stuck on Hood Canal that prevented him from sending out the agenda, but did have copies for the attendees. Beginning his real report, he mentioned he saw USATF President Bill Roe in Brisbane, Australia. Bob S was there officiating at the WAVA meet. In addition to Bob, other PNW officials were Paula Brown, Lane and Deanna Dowell, and Ray and Judy Christiansen. There were also several PNTF athletes competing (George Mathews and Bev LaVeck were the only ones he could think of at that time). Bob said the officials were worked hard at the meet, as always. Even though Bill Roe presented the USATF bid for Sacramento in 2005, the WAVA meet was awarded to San Sebastian, Spain, the heart of Basque country. WAVA, World Association of Veteran Athletes, has changed its name to WMA, World Masters Athletics. Bob will also be representing us in Indianapolis Aug 17-19 at the USATF Associations Workshop.

C. Vice President: Mark Ward had no report.

D. Treasurer: Gwen Robertson handed out her report of activity. We are solvent.

II. Administrative Committee Reports

A. Membership: Janell Kaufman announced there are 207 Masters, 132 Open, and 1074 Youth for a total of 1413 members. She then described the membership signup procedures and billing. She is doing most memberships using the National Office's instant system which gets the member's number assigned by the National Office. She also has some stickers that she uses for numbers at competitions. Individuals can also sign up using the USATF website. The billing from the National Office is now quite complicated because of all the various ways members can sign up

and the different fees they pay depending on how they sign up. But, she thinks it is working well.

B. Office Manager: Carole Langenbach passed out the Association Accreditation Report, and noted it contained several errors concerning PNTF. She will be assisting the National 50 Mile Trail Championship Race (White River Trail 50 Mile) with membership questions and will be there Friday, July 27 before the close of registration to provide membership numbers.

C. PNTF Officials:

1. Certification & Training: Lawrie Robertson noted that there will be no class until next February.

2. PNTFOA: Derrek Berkompas is the new representative for the PNTFOA. He reported there had been no recent PNTFOA meeting. PNTFOA supported the US Corporate Athletic Association Championship July 21-22 at Renton Stadium. It went well, thanks to the excellent officials who were there.

3. High School and Club Development: Chris Bown was not present.

D. USATF Associations Committee: USATF President Bill Roe reported that the Associations Committee is working hard. They just recently sent out several reports, one of which was the Accreditation Report. The Associations Committee Workshop will be August 17-19 at the Radisson City Center Hotel in Indianapolis.

E. USATF Board of Directors: Bill Roe reported on the BOD meeting at the USATF Senior T&F Championships in Eugene. The major topics concerned the World Championships in Edmonton. The next meeting will be a telephone conference call in September.

F. PNTF Web Pages: Bob Springer reported that the pages are being continually updated. The JO results will not be posted because of a glitch in the Hytek program. Note: The JO Regional results will be posted on the PNTF web page very shortly (www.pntf.org).

III. Sports Committee Reports

A. Youth: Kenny Emerick was not present, but Derrek Berkompas noted that the Association and Regional JO meets went fine, with the exception of the computer glitch. Most results had to be done by hand, which prevented the results from being easily posted on the website.

B. Open Committee: Tom Cotner was not present. However, Bill Roe reported on the National Club T&F Championship that just concluded in Indianapolis. Carole mentioned the White River Trail 50 Mile National Championship coming up at Crystal Mountain on July 28.

C. Masters Committee: George Mathews was not present. Neal Stoddard reported that the Masters Committee has helped to purchase a storage container which has been sited adjacent to the throwing cage at West Seattle Stadium. The next masters meet is the Seattle Masters Classic at West Seattle. Hammer and RW Friday evening August 17th and the remaining events on Saturday August 18th.

D. RaceWalk: Bev LaVeck was not present, but it was reported that she garnered two silver medals in the 5k and 10k RW's in Brisbane at the WAVA meet.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

A. Audit Committee: Neal Stoddard has turned over the receipts, etc, to committee chair Doug Chandler.

B. Annual Membership Fee: For the year 2002, the National Office fee will be \$7.50 for membership if manual stickering is done. The charge is \$6.50 if it is automatic stickering. Treasurer Gwen Robertson had presented a budget forecast several months ago that we were not quite breaking even, but we had decided to keep things as is at that time. Now, these increases will cut into the PNTF budget, and make it truly lose money. Moved, seconded: That PNTF Adult membership fees be \$20, and recommend to the Youth Committee that Youth fees be the same as the Adult fee. Passed unanimously. Bob Springer was directed by the PNTF Board to talk to the Youth Committee and have them set their fee before September 1, 2001 so that Janell Kaufman will be able to order new membership forms with the correct amounts for adults and youth.

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Nominating Committee: President Bob Springer appointed Carole to be the nominating committee.

B. IAAF Name Change: Bill Roe announced that the IAAF (International Amateur Athletics Federation) has proposed a name change to International Association of Athletics Federations.

C. T&F Rules Changes: There have been proposals, in an attempt to speed up meets that: 1. Throwers and horizontal jumpers be limited to 4; 2. Vertical jumpers be limited to 2 consecutive misses; and 3. Runners be disqualified upon 1 false start. The USATF athletes, through the Athletes Advisory Committee, are strongly against these changes. Consequently, the USATF delegates to the IAAF will oppose any such changes.

D. Law and Legislation: This year is when changes to L&L may be proposed. Bill Roe mentioned that there are many suggestions as to the things that Associations must satisfy to be "certified" by the Member Services Committee. If anyone has any proposed changes to the USATF Governance Rules (not T&F Competition Rules) please submit them to Bob Springer or Bill Hickman.

E. Membership Chair: After discussion about the new automatic stickering capabilities, it was moved, seconded that: PNTF pay the Membership Chair \$1.00 for every individual member in the PNTF Association database, and \$5.00 for each PNTF Club. Passed unanimously.

F. Next board meeting: It was moved, seconded and passed that the next meeting be September 17, 2001.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Langenbach

PNTF Secretary