

## Minutes of the PNTF Board Meeting held October 15, 2012

Vice President Ivars Ikstrums called the meeting to order at 7:13 p.m. at Seattle Parks and Recreation Building at 100 Dexter Ave. N. in Seattle. The Vice President led introductions. The following were present: Ivars Ikstrums, Ed Viering, Doug Chandler, Bill Roe, Patti Petesch, Neal Stoddard, Kenny Emerick, Darlene Hickman, Stan Chraminski, Becca Peter, Bob Springer, Carole Langenbach, Bob Langenbach, Doris Heritage, John Ricardi, Tom Cotner, Eric Sach, George Mathews. William Hickman arrived at 7:16 p.m. and took over the meeting at that time.

### I MINUTES AND EXECUTIVE REPORTS

- A. Secretary's Report/Minutes: Ed Viering distributed the agenda, latest schedule and minutes for the September Meeting. The minutes were accepted with two amendments: 1) correction in price of USATF website and 2) spelling of CEO's name.
- B. Treasurer's Report: Doug Chandler submitted his report. The report was accepted.  
Overall Total as of 9/30/2012: \$76,255.85. Group breakdowns:
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| General Fund - | \$30,863.30 | Masters -                | \$ 3,958.52 |
| Open -         | \$10,921.20 | Youth -                  | \$ 7,936.82 |
| Open Chair -   | \$ 1,971.35 | Fred Dean Youth Travel - | \$ 3,365.00 |
| Officials T&C- | \$ 2,238.58 |                          |             |
- C. Membership Report: Tracy Silva submitted her report via email. The report was accepted.
1. As of Oct 14, 2012: Youth– 1,222; Open– 363; Masters– 650; Clubs– 65.
  2. Relative to a year ago: Youth is up 70, Open is up 30, Masters is up 52, Clubs is up 5.
1. Vice President's Report: Four board members have designated alternate voters. Alternates are: Masters-Bob Langenbach; Officials-Neal Stoddard; Officials T&C-Bob Springer; Rules/L&L – Kenny Emerick.
- D. President's Report: William Hickman
1. Bill received the rules change packet from USATF but hasn't had a chance to look at it yet.
  2. It was discussed among some of the officers that it would be better to have an Executive Committee of five people rather than four. We will explore that.
  3. We have not had a financial audit in some time and will arrange one soon. This will give us all a sense of security as our numbers keep getting higher.
  4. The New York Times had a sports page lead article—with two more pages inside—on Mary Wittenburg—the Race Director of the New York Marathon. Her salary is \$500,000 and she gets to travel to many exotic locations. The President has never seen any coverage like that dedicated to LDR.
- E. Office Manager's Report: Carole Langenbach.No report.

### II OLD BUSINESS

- A. Identify Delegates/Committee Reps to Annual Meeting – Carole Langenbach
1. Our athletes are Norris Frederick, Katie Burnett and Mike Sayenko. Melissa Beasley at USATF will register the athletes. USATF provides housing and air travel. We pay the stipend and registration to USATF.
  2. Delegates: Char Engelhardt, Patti Petesch, William Hickman, Bob Springer, Kenny Emerick, Ivars Ikstrums, Becca Peter, Kwajalein Griffin, Holly Genest, Judy Christiansen, Ray Christiansen, Norris Frederick, Katie Burnett, Mike Sayenko. Alternates: Paula Everdell-Brown, Darlene Hickman, Bill Roe
  3. Committee reps: Men's T&F – Norris Frederick; Women's T&F – Becca Peter; Race Walk – Char Engelhardt; Men's LDR – Bill Roe; Women's LDR – Judy Christiansen; Masters LDR – Bob Springer; Cross Country Council – Bill Roe; MUT – Ray Christiansen; Master's T&F – Ivars Ikstrums; Youth Athletics – Holly Genest; Associations – Patti Petesch; Officials – Ivars Ikstrums

4. Patti will handle any paperwork for alternates at the meeting.
  5. Our documents (By-Laws, 990EZ, Incorporation Status, Minutes of Annual Meeting) must be in order for us to seat a delegation.
- B. USATF Annual Meeting – Darlene Hickman. There will be a golf tournament. Most things are at the hotel. A lot of Youth business will be at the convention center.
- C. Awards Banquet Update – Ken Emerick for Char Engelhardt. Char fell and has 10 stitches and a broken wrist. Banquet is Feb 2<sup>nd</sup>. We will get the small room, which has a 90 person guarantee. Becca noted that online registration is available through USATF website. Several ideas for speakers were brought up and will be passed to Char.

### III NEW BUSINESS

- A. At-Large Board Members – Bill Hickman. As per by-laws, the Officers have selected our 5 At-Large board Members: Doris Heritage, Stan Chraminski, Char Engelhardt, Kwajalein Griffin, Bill Roe.
- B. Athlete Board Members – Bill Hickman. John Ricardi and Eric Sach have agreed to be Athlete Board Members. We are still looking for two more.
- C. PNTF Hospitality at Annual Meeting - Kenny Emerick. Our hospitality will be Saturday night. A motion was approved to authorize up to \$750. A motion was approved to pay the difference between a regular room and a suite for the Officers. Bill Hickman pointed out that we are the longest running hospitality in USATF. We use it to introduce our new people to others.
- D. Disposition of MUT and Race Walk Committees – Ed Viering. Recently, (1) we had an opening for MUT Committee and (2) Race Walk Committee requested budget. As they are split across the other athletics committees, we have no formal procedures in place for this. Bill Hickman asked MUT, Open and Masters to come back with a proposal to address these situations. In the meantime, Masters agreed to fund Race Walk's budget request, and Masters and Open agreed on Eric Sach as new MUT Chair, as the position was uncontested.
- E. Christmas Party Planning– Carole Langenbach. The post-Annual meeting Christmas Party will be at Kenny Emerick's house in Seattle on Dec 16 at around 3 PM.

### IV COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Youth: Patti Petesch for Holly Genest
1. Cross Country is under way. We have had three meets and results have gone out on Monday morning, which is really good. Registration is through CoachO.
  2. Nov 10 Association meet at Lower Woodland Park is \$10/kid. Nov 17 Regional meet in Spokane is \$15/kid.
  3. Four clubs want to host a meet on June 15.
  4. Regionals next year is over 4<sup>th</sup> of July weekend.
  5. Tacoma Sports commission wants one meet in Tacoma. We are interested, but not for 2013 when we have 2 meets two weeks apart. Tacoma meets would be at Mt Tahoma or UPS with Hammer and Steeplechase at PLU.
  6. Hershey State meet will be June 29.
  7. We are doing a request-for-proposal for the t-shirt bid.
- B. Open: Becca Peter.
1. Open and Masters XC Championship is Sunday Nov 4. Registration is open now using the USATF site.
  2. Regionals are the same day as Youth in Spokane. There is no need for Open to qualify to Regionals.
  3. Club Nationals are in Lexington, KY.
  4. We may move Track and Field Regionals to June 8 or 9. We are moving Association T&F to join Masters on July 20. There is a possibility of putting on a low-key Combined Events on Aug 24 along with Masters Throws.

- C. MUT: Eric Sach. There are a lot of trail races right now. Eric will look at how to bring some of them into USATF. He would like to get a few big races back here. We have had White River and Cougar Mountain in the past. He would like to turn Chuckanut (mid-March) into a Championship.
- D. Masters: George Mathews.
  - 1. The plaques are in at West Seattle. They look really nice.
  - 2. There is a great article about our Throws championships in National Masters News.
  - 3. Masters 10K Championship was Aug 18<sup>th</sup> at Railroad Days
- E. Race Walk: Stan Chraminski.
  - 1. The promotional period has started. The hats are in. Stan modeled his “Ask Me About Race Walk” shirt.
  - 2. We updated the website. It is linked through both PNTF and Club Northwest sites.
  - 3. The goal is to double the number of active race walkers by next year.
- F. Officials: Kenny Emerick.
  - 1. We talked about NCAA West Regional assignments which will go out in next few days.
  - 2. We are buying an electronic starter pistol. We debated over which generator to buy.
  - 3. A new schedule proposal for the state HS meet has gone out to the coaches. We save two hours on Friday by introducing runners on the track. Awards will be hard-scheduled during dead time on the track. There is a meeting next week with Bob Springer, Mike Taylor, Bill Harris, Daunte Gouge and Bernadette Ray (Jennifer Kubista’s assistant).
  - 4. Latest edition of USATF Officials newsletter is out. It has links to new NFHS and NCAA rulebooks which are now available free online.
- G. Officials Certification & Training: Bob Springer.
  - 1. Re-cert clinics are: tomorrow the 16<sup>th</sup> at 6PM in this room; 6PM Thursday the 18<sup>th</sup> in Burlington-Edison; 6PM the 24<sup>th</sup> at UPS; Sunday, November 11 at 3:00 at Pritchard Beach Park in Seattle.
  - 2. You can either take the rules review or attend a clinic.
  - 3. It is \$100 online to sign up for a USATF membership for 4 more years.
- H. Website/Communications: Becca Peter. Website is doing fine. She will send an email to announce about on-line registrations.
- I. USATF Associations Committee: Bill Roe.
  - 1. We are re-doing Association standards for accreditation. Went from 10 “required” plus 9 “other” to 10 standards only. It doesn’t change the Bronze, etc. categories. Sanctions standards were revised upward. The website standard is the same, but there will be more education about what is a viable website. Newsletter requirement is going away—being replaced by 2 email blasts and 1 mailing a year for those without email accounts and quarterly communications for Youth, etc. We are adding an Officials standard.
  - 2. The Workshop will be focused on grants education. Pacific Northwest and Pacific Associations will present.
- J. USATF Board of Directors Update: Darlene Hickman.
  - 1. Four new board members for 2013 are: Eve Wright (Independent); Jackie Joyner Kersee (High-Performance); Ken Taylor (Officials); Fred Finke (LDR).
  - 2. Stephanie Hightower is the only one up for President.

Next meeting is: November 19, 2012

The meeting was adjourned at exactly 8:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ed Viering  
PNTF Secretary