

BC Athletics Junior Development Committee Meeting
Minutes for the Sept 7, 2014 meeting
BC Athletics Office, Fortius Centre + Teleconferencing

Meeting Began at 2:05pm

In attendance: Graeme Fell, Birgit Weaver, Dawn Copping, Maureen de St. Croix (arrival 2:20pm),
In attendance via teleconferencing: Alwilda van Ryswyk, Dan Horan, Tyler Heisterman (arrival 2:40pm)
With regrets: David Short, Tom Dingle, Randy Longmuir
Stepping down: James Meehan

1. Agenda reviewed and accepted.
2. Motion to accept the Minutes from the April 6, 2014 meeting. Moved: Birgit Weaver, Seconded: Dawn Copping. Discussion of items arising Items #3,4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12 from April Meeting:
 - Regarding the combining of the 14, 15 year olds into one age group, Graeme is to continue to bring this to Brian's attention as there is a need for 14 year olds to be recognized separately
 - JD Manual update re BC Cross Country Championships – New fee of \$7 / athlete with a flat \$15 late fee has been approved
 - Proposal to use shortened wires for hammer throwing by younger athletes. – Committee agreed that shorter wire was best option – Dawn to create motion for AGM
 - Discussion of BCA webpage access to JD information. – Graeme to follow up with Tyler
 - JD committee to collect information and provide feedback to each meet director once the event has concluded. Time constraints made it difficult. We will need to improve on this next year, Other than issues with only allowing athletes two attempts instead of three in one event at a meet and incorrect javelin weights possibly used at two others, it was felt that all meets were well run.
 - JD Banquet – All is proceeding. An extra effort will be needed to get all to attend due to the absence of the 14 year olds. Action item – Graeme will contact athletes & families who have not purchased a lunch ticket / awards ticket in attempt to get full participation of nominees.
 - Survey – Is awaiting approval from BC Athletics before circulation. Ideally it would go out in the next few weeks.
 - Filling of remaining 'Director at Large' position. – Tyler to contact his candidate on the island – Suggestions for James position included: Sean Dixon
3. JD Banquet – Dawn – collecting photos for powerpoint presentation, certificates for 13 and 14 year old JD graduates, bringing table decorations, food and booking, create program with Sam Collier
Maureen – door prizes and buy mini pumpkins for table decorations
Birgit – giving out Lower Mainland cross country plaques and graduation certificates plus door
Graeme – M/C plus issue invitations to Brian McCaldor or Garrett Collier, inviting speakers and presenters, ticket and money collection at the door with Byron Jack
Tom Dingle – projectionist for powerpoint presentation
Tyler – awards announcer

Dan – athlete organize
Alwilda – photographs of award winner
Dave – 50/50 ticket sales

Suggested speakers for JD Banquet – Chris Winter, Luc Bruchet, Rachel Cliff, Natasha Wodak, Thelma Wright

4. JD Awards 2014 – Action – Tom and Graeme to finalize list of award winners
5. Achievement Awards for 14 year olds will be done at the BCA AGM Banquet not JD Banquet.
6. Track Season Review – See above under item (2).

7. BCJD Track and Field Championships Review - see submission from Sue Kydd
All felt that meet was well run.
Review of suggestions in report tabled until October meeting
Action items arising from discussion:

Dan Horan to investigate the number of 11 year olds who run 200m as compared to 60m to provide data discussion of removing one of the 11 year old sprint events – keep 60m & 100m or keep 100m & 200m

Graeme will contact the 2015 BCJD Track and Field Championships host club as soon as the successful 2015 bidder is announced, in order to offer assistance from the JD Committee to the hosting club.

Posting of Award Standards, Top 1 and 10 all time and Bronze, Silver and Gold Crest Award Standards on competition sheets for meets. Maureen will investigate how this information can be made available to all hosting clubs

8. Printing of an updated BCJD Information Book. – Awilda

No action to be taken as it was felt to be a waste of paper and could easily be downloaded onto a tablet or iPad. People can print certain pages for themselves if they would like a hard copy.

9. Permanent schedule with time for awards at the BCJD Track and Field Championships - Alwilda

It was agreed that having awards presented during the meet when events are not in progress was good, but the schedule should be set by the meet directors – to be followed up with during Oct Meeting.

10. Travel expenses to JD Banquet and AGM- Review mileage

Action item: Dawn and Dan to exchange proposals and discuss and bring back proposal to committee at October meeting.

11. Aggregate scoring at BC Cross Country Championships for Brian McCaLder plaque – award for aggregate JD club team. The decision was made to keep the scoring as is, with the top 6 finishers in each year of JD ages 9-13, boys and girls, based on 6 points for 1st, 5 points for 2nd, etc. Maureen to bring back a proposal at next meeting that could include aggregate and team scoring for each race.
12. JD walks - Maureen Action item – Graeme will contact Peter Pjefer and Kanwal Neal to discuss how to increase number of race walk officials at any event offering race walk event
13. AGM – Motions: Action – Graeme to find out deadline from Sam.

New business: None

Proposed Meeting Dates for 2014

Oct 25, 2014 @ 4pm

Abbotsford – Location TBD

December, 2014 AGM – Friday evening 5-7pm JD Committee meeting

Meeting adjourned at 4:09pm.