

BCA ROAD RUNNING COMMITTEE Minutes
Sunday, January 27, 2008
10:30am, Vancouver Hilton Airport Hotel, Richmond BC

Attendees: Frank Stebner(Chair), Clif Cunningham, Jake Madderom, Maurice Wilson, Rick Jenkner, Geoffrey Buttner, Greg White, Larry Harper (first 30 minutes).
Regrets –Bob Reid

Meeting was called to order at 10:53 am

1. Acceptance of Agenda

Clif added 2008 goals to the agenda.

Greg added Road Running event safety.

Motion - Clif/Rick - That the agenda be accepted as amended.

- Carried

2. Review and acceptance of Nov 14, 2007 RR Minutes

BCA Board responses to RR recommendations

Motion - Clif/Rick - That the minutes be accepted as distributed.

- Carried

3. Welcome new Tech Manager for Road Running and Cross Country

Frank welcomed Maurice to the committee as the new manager for BCA Road Running and Cross Country and thanked him for his past contributions to the committee.

4. BCA Sanctioning for Road Races

a. Online sanctioning application status. - new programmer hired?

Not working at this time. Larry said that this issue would be addressed in the first quarter.

b. BCA sanctioning agreement (contract) with sanctioned events.

Maurice has a model from Manitoba. He is planning to pull all of the existing documents together to form a new agreement. Greg mentioned that Triathlon BC has a good document. Clif suggested that we need a timeline for this work. Maurice said that he would like us to review the document after he completes it.

c. Review of sanctioning forms for 2008.

sanctioning agreement needs to be in place.

See Item (b)

d. late sanctioning applications (within 30 days). Can they offer \$3 BCA discount?

Frank said that some of the races that are applying for sanctioning already have distributed their entry forms without including the \$3.00 discount for BCA members. Maurice said that he will include a letter with the sanctioning agreement suggesting that the BCA members that request the discount should receive the discount.

5. Road Running Calendar of events (online & printed)

a. Status of 2008 RR Calendar - Maurice

The online version is now available.

b. Discussion on BCA printed calendar of events.

The BCA AGM passed a resolution not to print the calendar.

6. BCA Road Running Championships 2008 applications.

Penticton Lakeside 5K - March

Chemainus 5K - June

Application was not received.

Historic Half Marathon – Feb

The race was not sanctioned. The application was not approved.

Maurice suggested that we need a policy in place to specify a minimum lead time for applications to host championships. Rick mentioned that the current deadline is October of the previous year. Maurice suggested that if we receive a late application, we should still have at least 90 days before the event is to take place.

Maurice agreed to produce a technical document that will specify the requirements for the championship events.

8. Status of resolutions to BCA AGM

Resolution #1 - Remove calendar listing fee to create a more comprehensive calendar?

Passed.

Resolution #2 - Delete BCA printed calendar?

Passed.

Resolution #3 - BCA Championship eligibility requirements?

Greg will hold a meeting within 60 days to come up with a recommendation to the Board. Clif suggested that we need to include a residency requirement. Jake mentioned that BCA has a residency requirement defined for BC records.

Resolution #4 - 8K RR Championship event

Passed.

Resolution #5 – Masters Series Events - age category determination for masters.

This resolution was referred to the Masters Committee for a recommendation

Resolution #6 – Masters Age Road Running Eligibility for Awards & Championships

This resolution was defeated.

Resolution #7 - Masters Age

This resolution called for BCA to put forward a resolution at the Athletics Canada AGM to put the Masters Age back to 40.

Passed.

8. GOALS FOR 2008/AC ROUND TABLE DISCUSSIONS

Included in our goals should be:

- 1) Eligibility for Championships.
- 2) Formalization of the process and procedures for hosting championships.
- 3) Need female representation on the road running committee.
- 4) Need to establish criteria for the annual road running awards.
- 5) Find ways to encourage clubs to bid for championship events.

9. Race Safety.

Greg brought up the problem of determining when a race should be cancelled due to unsafe conditions.

We concluded that the Race Director is currently responsible for cancelling a race. Maurice mentioned that the City will cancel an event if someone determines that there is a safety issue.

10. National Championships

Marathon Championships - Ottawa May 25th.

Half Marathon - Montreal April 20th (same day as Sun Run)

10K Ottawa October 18th

Maurice mentioned that we need to establish criteria for team selection for National RR Championship and that we need to obtain funding for those teams.

11. Next meeting RR AGM March 19th, 2008 Sport BC Building

Additional notes

12. Future Meetings

June 25, 2008

August 27, 2008

November 12 or Nov 26 - Resolutions

January 25, 2009, BCA AGM

Meeting adjourned at about 12:15pm.