

1. Track & Field – Day of Event for Students

Moved: Ianna Polos (# 52-36773)

Seconded: Warren Polos (#53-11531)

Whereas: Some students attend and train for track and field competitions at schools outside of British Columbia during the school year, but return to British Columbia during vacation time, where they wish to continue to train and compete; and

Whereas: Students are often restricted in the amount of money available to them, and cannot always afford full BC Athletics fees merely for a limited number of competitions; and

Whereas: Athletes are able to show progress in their training, and refine race skills by attending Track and Field competitions; and

Whereas: BC Athletics should be encouraging the youth of British Columbia who are interested in Track and Field to participate in Track and Field Competitions; and

Whereas: BC Athletics does not allow the use of day-of-meet release/membership forms except for elementary students during the school year for school meets;

Be it resolved that:

BC Athletics support students of all ages by allowing them to sign a day-of-meet release/membership form, at a minimal cost, to allow them to participate in British Columbia Track and Field Meets at any time of the year.

BC Athletics Board of Directors Information / Recommendations:

- **BC Athletics has a Day of Event Membership as follows:**

- **Day of Event Membership (DOE)—all ages — \$3/event**

- For non-athlete members or non-members participating in selected sanctioned events.

- Valid for Road Races, Cross Country Meets, and All Comers Track & Field Meets
 - Paid in addition to the event registration fee at time of entering **each** race or meet
 - Includes Liability Insurance

- **School Day of Event Membership (DOE)—Elementary and High School students only (valid from Sept 15 – June 30 only) — \$3/event**

This Day of Event membership type is for elementary through to high school athletes who are not annual members of BC Athletics or members of a BC Athletics School Club or School District Club wishing to participate in eligible sanctioned events.

- Valid for Road Races, Cross Country Meets, Club hosted School Meets during the school year (Sept 15th – June 30th) and All Comers Track & Field Meets
- Paid in addition to the registration fee for entering the event at time of entering each race or meet
- Liability Insurance

- **BC Athletics has a Discounted Competitive Athlete Membership for Post Secondary Students - Junior and Senior age groups as follows:**

- **BC Athletics provides a discounted membership (\$20.00 fee reduction) for Post Secondary Students as follows:**

- Junior Post Secondary discount membership fee — \$67.20 (60.00 + 7.20 HST)
Proof of full time enrolment in an accredited post secondary institution must accompany the application form in order to qualify for the discounted membership fee
- Senior Post Secondary discount membership fee (20-22 years only) — \$67.20 (60.00 + 7.20 HST)
Proof of full time enrolment in an accredited post secondary institution must accompany the application form in order to qualify for the discounted membership fee.

- **Rankings, Records and Team Selection – Canadian and BC**

- Athletes must be registered Competitive Athlete members in order to have their performances included in Cdn and BC rankings (AC/BCA Rule)
- Athletes must have their performances recorded in the rankings in order for them to be considered for Team Selection (AC/BCA Rule)
- Athletes must have their performances in the rankings in order for them to be considered for Records (World, Cdn and BC).

- Note: Day of Event members performances are not included in the rankings nor are they eligible for team selection and records.
- **Annual Membership**
 - Day of Event members are not recorded as Annual Members of BC Athletics, Athletics Canada or the IAAF.
 - Annual membership is one of the factors in determining funding support from the Provincial Government to BC Athletics.
 - A reduction in the number of Annual Members would adversely affect the funding support from the Provincial Government
 - A reduction in the number of Annual Members could adversely affect sponsorship
 - Self generated revenues including membership revenue is a measurable factor in the Provincial Governments consideration of annual funding support.
- **Membership Revenue**
 - This proposed resolution has the potential to reduce overall BC Athletics membership revenue.
 - Membership revenue is critical in helping to fund programs and services.
 - Reductions in revenues will adversely affect the ability of BC Athletics to provide programs and services to the membership.

Recommendation: Referencing the information provided above, the BC Athletics Board of Directors does not support this resolution.

2. Legislative Committee

Moved: Frank Stebner

Seconded = Geoffrey Buttner

Whereas a motion was made at the 2009 BCA AGM for BC Athletics to update its outdated policies and procedures in a timely manner before the next AGM and;

Whereas the BCA board of directors stated that “this is not a matter that should or needs to go the AGM as a resolution and it has been directed to the BC Athletics Board of Directors to manage and insure the timely updating of the Constitution, Policies, Rules and Regulations.” and ;

Whereas in April 2009 the Board accepted the intent of the resolution and staff will be following up with implementation. Action: An addendum will be added noting the resolutions passed at the 2009 AGM with the necessary changes being incorporated in the Policies and Procedures Manual before the next AGM;” and

Whereas the policies and procedures have still not been updated with no addendums actually having been added and;

Whereas there appears to be conflicting interpretations of many association rules (many of which have not been updated) and;

Whereas the association needs a clear set of updated association rules that are not subject to interpretation and;

Whereas there appears to be no legislative committee in place to actually review and update the policies and procedures;

Be It Resolved: That BC Athletics Legislative Committee as per SECTION 9P of the BCA Terms of Reference be activated which shall be responsible for the maintenance, amendment and application of the Society's Constitution, Bylaws, Terms of Reference, Operating Policies, Procedures, Rules and Regulations and shall update the Association rules incorporating the resolutions passed within 120 days of the most recent BCA AGM.

Recommendation: The BC Athletics Board of Directors supports this resolution

Notes:

- If this is not possible in the next year an addendum will be added to the Policies and Procedures Annual noting resolutions passed since 2005. These changes are to be incorporated in the Policies and Procedures before the 2013 BCA AGM.
- Approved Resolutions from past years are to be incorporated in the Society’s Constitution, Bylaws, Terms of Reference, Operating Policies, Procedures, Rules and Regulations manual and website as soon as possible but before the next BCA AGM. All approved resolutions from past years are to be referenced to the respective

AGM at which they were approved. Also all rules rule changes by the IAAF and Athletics Canada that affect BC Athletics are also to be incorporated into the association rules as well.

- Board of Directors Note:
 - Whereas BC Athletics follows the rules of the IAAF and Athletics Canada unless provided through a variation in the BC Athletics rules, the referencing of IAAF and Athletics Canada Rule changes is not necessary.
- BCA DOCUMENT C (Terms of Reference) Section 9P.1 Currently reads: The Legislative Committee shall be responsible for the maintenance, amendment and application of the Society's Constitution, Bylaws, Terms of Reference, Operating Policies, Procedures, Rules and Regulations.

By-law Changes

Note:

By-law Changes, Amendments or Additions are Special/Extraordinary Resolutions that require 75% of the votes cast to be in favour of the change, amendment or addition in order for such resolutions to pass.

3. Membership – Approval of Club and Individual Members of BC Athletics

By-law 2.4

Existing

Any application for membership on behalf of a club or person in accordance with the provisions herein shall be submitted to the Board of Directors, and upon approval of the Board, the applicant shall be a member of the Association.

Moved: Jim Hinze

Seconded: Pam Medland

Whereas: It is necessary to approve memberships (club and individual) in a timely manner; and
Whereas the Executive and Board meetings are not held on a schedule that can provide for this;
Be It Resolved that current by-law 2.4 be replaced with the following:

- a. Any application for membership on behalf of a club or person in accordance with the provisions herein shall be submitted to the BC Athletics Manager, Registration & Membership Services who may provide interim approval of membership until official approval by the BC Athletics Board of Directors or Executive Committee of the Board. Upon approval the person shall be a member of the Association.

4. Officials Delegate – BC Athletics AGM

Moved: John Cull

Seconded: Carol Cull

Whereas: BC Athletics member officials are affected by all of the organization's decisions regarding competitions, and many of these member are "unattached" and not represented by member Clubs

Be it Resolved: to amend the BCA Bylaws and permit a delegate representing officials to vote at the BCA AGM. The officials' delegate shall be appointed at the officials' AGM prior to each BCA AGM.

BC Athletics Board of Directors Information

- This by-law resolution was presented at the last BC Athletics AGM and was defeated.

Reference Notes:

2009 Membership - 103 – primary officials Mbrship / 158 – mbrs indicating officials Mbrship primary or secondary

Unattached Officials - 43 – primary officials Mbrship / 51 – mbrs indicating officials Mbrship primary or secondary

Club affiliated officials - 60 – primary officials Mbrship / 107 – mbrs indicating officials Mbrship primary or secondary

2010 Membership - 108 – primary officials Mbrship / 171– mbrs indicating officials Mbrship primary or secondary

Unattached officials - 45 – primary officials Mbrship / 49 – mbrs indicating officials Mbrship primary or secondary

Club affiliated officials - 63 – primary officials Mbrship / 122 – mbrs indicating officials Mbrship primary or secondary

2011 Membership - 94 – primary officials Mbrship / 166 – mbrs indicating officials Mbrship primary or secondary

Unattached officials - 33 – primary officials Mbrship / 40 – mbrs indicating officials Mbrship primary or secondary

Club affiliated officials - 61 – primary officials Mbrship / 126 – mbrs indicating officials Mbrship primary or secondary

BC Athletics Board of Directors – Recommendations

- The Board of Directors recognizes the volume and quality of volunteer work done by BC Athletics Officials and the Officials Committee.
- However the BC Athletics Board of Directors does not support the provision of a vote for a delegate representing the Officials Committee or a delegate representing other committees of the Association.
- The BC Athletics Board of Directors recommends:
 - That a review of the provision of votes at the Annual General Meeting be undertaken in 2012 by the BC Athletics Legislative Committee.
 - That the report and any recommendations be presented to the Board of Directors for their consideration and presentation to the membership.
 - That any By-law changes be presented to the BC Athletics Annual General Meeting in 2012 for consideration by the membership.