

Minutes: BCA Officials' Committee Meeting May 28, 2006 – Surrey

Members Present: Karen Davidson, Sue Kydd, Sanda Turner, April Arsene, Shirley Young, Ina Wallace, John Cull, Carol Cull, Kathy Terlicher, Jackie Barrington

Regrets: Alice Kubek, Diana Hollefreund, Alwilda van Ryswyk

Recorded by Jackie Barrington

Minutes of previous meeting circulated and approved via email.

CHAIR'S REPORT:

Feedback forms given to officials were used. Good, construction criticism and good feedback received.

Sanda – no evaluation form given to her and information needed to be reported

Shirley volunteered to collect feedback forms – forms can be distributed at officials check in station

Alice/Anne has forms in Victoria

Ina reported that the Dogwood meet went well

Actions completed by John since last meeting:

- revision of Level 2 passport completed
- they will go in Level 2 package
- set of Level 2 material to Alwilda – done
- BC Athletics ordering another 75 rule books for Level 2 workshops, should be 99 in all
- Sprott Shaw logo is now on the BCA website
- Brian will write a letter to Sprott Shaw
- Policy manual revisions will be done in time for the Officials AGM
- Forms library should be done by fall, April has volunteered to help put forms on line

ACTION: Private web space not done - John will contact Teresa Nightingale who has a contract for graphic design by BCA to get information about private web space.

News on NOC

- report sent to everyone

- Iain got a letter from Glenn thanking him for nomination
- Alwilda on AC Wall of Honour
- Glenn Kurmey sent the list of officials who have received service pins over the years
- Someone needs to take information from BC officials and put it on the BCA web page

ACTION: Kathy has volunteered to extract information

- Level 3 officials now receive pins, process has recently started
- Level 2 officials receive rule book with workshop
- It was felt that pins should be given at all levels

ACTION: Sanda/Shirley will look into pins. Shirley will look into costing pins at all levels.

NOC continues to be a stable but static organization. Branch chairs would like a broader base of voting.. Branch chairs wanted to limit committee members to 3 terms. They wanted members to wait 2 years to be re-elected to NOC committee. Branch chairs attend half of the NOC's meeting; they have a voice but no vote.

Sue – How much contact does the NOC committee have with local chairs?

NOC consults Branches in September and names are sent in. Kathy noted that this was the first time information was given from report.

Next year branch chairs will caucus before meeting. This year the NOC committee was reduced from 7 members to 6.

New open book assignment for Level 3 sent to Kathy. New assignment is more concise.

Mentor/Clinicians – we have a list in BC. This list needs to be updated and new training is needed for mentors/clinicians. There may be training in September and this may be done regionally.

ACTION: John will contact those mentors/clinicians on list to see if they are still available to train new officials. He will also see which level 5 officials want to take training to become mentors/clinicians. He will also look for funding from NOC.

Kathy suggested that an email could be sent to current members on mentor/clinician list.

John noted that officials in Alberta and Manitoba are able to update their credits on line. This might be a good reason to get BCA to create a private web space.

Sanda: BC government's concern about Public Domain Privacy Act may limit BCA's ability to have credits on line.

ACTION: Shirley will look into credit confirmation soft ware

Serge Thibodeau is upgrading National Clinics. There has been an upgrading change. After an upgrade, officials will now have to have 6 more credits between one evaluation and the next. This applies only to Level 4 and 5 officials.

Branch Reports:

Alberta now has a Level 2 race walk category

BC now has a Level 2 long distance category

Quebec has a Level 2 for track and a Level 2 for field

Other provinces are more organized for Level 3 than BC; we tend to be less formal

Ontario has 3 to 4 regions. Mileage has gone up from 20/25 cents to 25/30 cents. John has asked Brian to look at adjusting the rates in BC from the present rate of 15 cents to a more reasonable rate of 21/26 cents (single/double occupancy).

Correspondence:

John received email for technical question on hammer handle. The handles for hammers continue to be problematic. *Jump Start Athletics* has assured him that the new handles which are on the way are IAAF approved.

Sanda suggested that an item in the newsletter should contain the information that any new equipment purchased should be certified as IAAF approved before it is paid for.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Assignments/Upgrading Committee - Carol, Kathy, Sanda, April, Alice (absent)

Carol sent email to everyone about Pacific Series Abbotsford meet
April sent officials packages to those people for whom she had
information. Sam has not been in the office, therefore April was unable
to get an updated list

Kathy/Sanda – several student volunteers are coming out to meets.
After HS championships students who have consistently shown up will
be given certificates for hours accumulated
John has junior official pens that can be given
Sue noted that Langley has a form for community hours that can be
used

Kathy – new upgrades, Neil Chin Aleong Level 3 starter certified
Dave Hopkins has been upgraded to Level 5 umpire.
No new requests made

Assignments/Budget

Carol's concerns about Pacific Canada Series
Not a big budget for accommodation. She was given 4 rooms, 2 persons
to a room, plus travel for entire series. Priority was given to track officials
since field events were limited. She therefore had more people wanting
to attend the meets than she could accommodate.
April suggested that an item in the Newsletter might explain why
everyone who wanted to attend the meets could not do so.
Carol will put her concerns in her year end report.
April suggested that information should be sent now rather than wait for
year end.

Legion Meet: information has been sent to mentors, information will be
sent to other officials at a later date

\$500 will be spent from official's budget for BC Juvenile/Senior
Championships

\$400-500 for Langley Pacific, as this meet is being upgraded to a
National Level meet.

Transportation will be given for Jack Brow in Kelowna. This year
accommodation will be at the College for the Jack Brow. Carol has a list
from Kamloops of officials who will be in Kelowna. No one from the
Island is available as there is a Combined Events meet on the Island.

Anne/Ina is working on officials. Funds will be needed for North Island officials

Officials' participating on the Lower Mainland in school meets were greatly appreciated by meet directors

Assignments:

Officials who will be going away for mentorship

Steve Martin – throws, Para Olympics, London, Ontario July 8/9, 2006

Joan Cowden

Aileen Lingwood

Michele Peacock

EDUCATION/RECRUITMENT (Karen, Sue, Jackie)

Display boards done, one for Lower Mainland, one for Interior. Boards for the North and Island will be done in the future

\$342 for boards, Karen will take the board to meets she attends. The boards will be displayed in a prominent position at the stadium

Brochures printed, cost was \$300 for 1000

Ways to distribute brochures – Sanda, some should in packages of sanctioned meets

John can electronic version be sent to meet directors?

Official committee members can carry some in their bags

Shirley – one could be sent to Community News Channel 12

Karen – running stores in major regions can be contacted to display the brochures

Sue – people now involved in track, letters to Clubs

ACTION – sub committee (Sue, Karen, and Jackie) will contact running stores. Running clubs should be prioritized. Information will be sent to 2007 retired teachers' meeting. Committee will also fine tune the letter to club.

Ina – can't get Pacific Athletics to commit to workshop. One person from Port Alberni needs Level 2 workshop

Report from Diana – Vancouver Island Athletic Association - Slow progress in training officials and mentoring

- New ideas needed for Island

- Island may need to contact other groups outside of athletics

Level 2 clinics scheduled for Ocean Athletics and South Fraser clubs

Date of workshop to be confirmed. Workshop will be held at Guildford Public Library, cost of rental is \$100

7 Level 1 workshops were conducted for 127 people to date

3 Clinics scheduled for June 4 – Iain for Starters Assistants, Dale for Starters and Kathy for Umpires

Not many people have registered for the workshops

Jackie noted that this request was lost in the body of the email sent to officials and suggested that the need to register should have been typed in bold and capitalized

Follow up to Level 1 workshops – Carol is now sending emails to 25 new people who indicated that they would like to be contacted to volunteer as officials.

Response to workshops have been positive

John noted that volunteers have protection for insurance at some level at a meet, either as being an associate member of BCA or same day insurance with a Club.

Newsletter not done, Diana was unable to edit template Jackie created. Template sent to John. Sue will create a simple version of newsletter and send to Sam to include in BCA bulletin.

Workshop for Finish Lynx and Hytex was done by Jason Swan.

Only 2 people attended and only April completed the workshop

Information is technical and the two systems are different in setup

People are trained to set up a specific system

There is the option of having a National Level Workshop at the Legion Meet at SFU in August 2006

There is the possibility of having this workshop on Friday as this is a practice day for the meet.

Areas to consider for workshop – Level 3-4 for High Jump, starters' assistant and throws

Workshop needs to be organized and approved by Serge. It was suggested that Darlene Hainer could conduct a workshop for throws.

AWARDS/INCENTIVES – Shirley

No contact has been made with Rona

8 weather writers left, more will be ordered and given as this year's incentive.

If weather writer not needed, another incentive can be substituted
Another supplier needed for bags
Award nomination forms sent in officials' package

JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT – Alwilda (absent)

Concerns for JD committee – athletes going to finals(track) should be consistent with IAAF rules, and consistent from meet to meet.
Committee needs to standardize how finals are done
Implements will be certified for all athletes, midgets and older at all meets

TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

Word from Alice – no race walk kits on Island. Kathy is certain that 3 sets were made and sent to the Island
Ann Juteau is making arm bands. These will be sold to officials at cost
Rule for size of logo on shoes has been eliminated
Work needed on track at Maple Ridge – discus/hammer facility needed
Sanda noted that the pits at South Fraser also need repairs, discus area is in a swamp
BCA equipment list needs to be updated.

NEW BUSINESS

AGM will be held November 19, 2006
Letter to be sent to Achilles to request funding for the banquet and to thank Achilles for past support

ACTION

April will book venue for AGM. She will try to get the outdoor area of *Madisons*. April will write a letter to Achilles.

Concerns about the seating at *Madisons*, difficulty hearing with the noise in the restaurant. It may be necessary to work around the noise level because of cost of renting other facilities

ACTION

Sue will put a message in bulletin to send pictures from around the Province to April for AGM power point presentation

Carol – incentive for Harry Jerome will be a jacket

Preparation for AGM

- Indoors
- Successes for year
- Review process of evaluation form
- Objectives for year

ACTION

John will send Anne Lansdell meet feedback form in electronic format

Next Meeting

September 16, 2006

9:00 A. M.

Minutes will be done by April

Meeting adjourned at 2 P.M.