

# BC Athletics Board of Directors Report – November 16, 2019 Technical Manager – Track & Field

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As per BC Athletics Strategic Plan, the Technical Manager's report is framed within the four Pillars of Athlete Development, Technical Leadership, Competition, and Organization Capacity.

#### **Track & Field Committee**

There are vacant committee positions for which the Technical Manager is working with the Chair of the Track & Field Committee to fill. All interested coaches/athletes are asked to please contact the Track & Field Technical Manager to put names forward.

#### **Current Committee:**

- 1. Tara Self (Chair; Sprints / Hurdles)
- 2. Jessica Smith (Female Athlete Rep)
- 3. Nicholas Ayin (Male Athlete Rep) Needs Board Approval
- 4. Brant Stachel (Middle Distance) Needs Board Approval
- 5. Mark Bomba (Endurance)
- 6. Open (Middle Distance / Endurance)
- 7. Laurie Willett (Throws)
- 8. Sheldan Gmitroski (Throws)
- 9. Byron Jack (Jumps)
- 10. Open (Jumps)
- 11. Ana Karanovic (Para)
- 12. Taylyr Dickenson (Para)
- 13. Pat Sima-Ledding (Combined Events)
- 14. Barb Vida (Combined Events)
- 15. Elena Voloshin (Sprints / Hurdles)

# **Pillar: Athlete Development**

#### 1. 2019/2020 BC Athlete Assistance Program (AAP)

- Application Deadline was Nov 1, 2019
- Important Dates:
  - o BC Athletes Assistance Program (AAP) Athletes Identified December 2019
  - o Circulation of Funding January 2020
- o <u>2019/20 AAP Criteria</u>



#### 2. 2019/2020 BC Athletics High Performance Targeted Athlete Program

- Application deadline was Nov 1, 2019
- List of Targeted Athletes & Coaches has been compiled; waiting on Athletics Canada to announce Sport Canada Carded Athletes.
- Athletes & Personal Coaches nominated under this program will receive access to targeted Programming with BC Athletics (ex. BC Throws Project & BC Sprint/Hurdle Project) as well as they are able to register with the Canadian Sport Institute.

### 3. BC Throws Project

- Project Leadership: Garrett Collier, Sheldan Gmitroski, Laurie Willett, Dylan Armstrong & BCA
  Staff
- Funding: Through Enhanced Excellence BCA has received \$15,000.00 in funding to support this project.
- Past Activities:
  - 0 2019/2020
    - 2019 BC Throws Summit; Nov 9-10, 2019, Richmond Oval, Richmond, BC
      - (i) 24 Attendees
      - (ii) 3 Expert Coaches (Don Babbitt University of Georgia, Mo Saatara University of California, Berkley, Larry Steinke University of Lethbridge)
    - 2019 BC Throws Project Development Camp; Sept 27-29, 2019; Kamloops, BC
      - (i) <u>Camp Overview</u>
      - (ii) Targeted & Coaches were offered travel grants
      - (iii) 46 Athletes & Coaches Attended

## 4. BC Sprint / Hurdles Project

- Project Leadership: Laurier Primeau, Tara Self, & BCA Staff
- BC Athletics Funding: Through Enhanced Excellence BCA has received \$15,000.00 in funding to support this project.
- Activities:
  - Discussion & Planning underway for 2020 BC Sprint/Hurdle Project Warm Weather
    Camp
    - March 2020
    - Tuscon, AZ
  - 2020 will see the inclusion of Jumps into the Project

#### 5. 2020 BC Team Program

- U16/U18 BC Team
  - National Championships:
    - Location: Sydney, NS
    - o Date: August 7-9, 2020
    - Team Selection Trials: BC Athletics Championship Jamboree; July 10-12, 2019;
      Kamloops, BC.



U20/Senior/Para Athletics Team

National Championships

Location: Montreal, QCDate: June 25-28, 2020Team Selection: TBD

• Senior 10,000m Championships

Location: Burnaby, BCDate: May 31, 2020Team Selection: TBD

U20/Senior Combined Events Championships

Location: TBDDate: TBD

o Team Selection: TBD

## 6. 2019/2020 BC Athletics Training Camps & Events

## Navigating University Recruitment Night

• Date: Nov 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Location: Fortius Sport & Health & Online Via Webinar

• Cost: \$10.00

• Partnered with Streamline Athletes

• Elite Athletes: Django Lovett, Lindsey Butterworth, John Gay

#### • BC Athletics High Performance Development Camp

Date: TBDLocation: TBD

Attendees: Open to all BC Athletics Members

o Invitations: BC Athletics High Performance Targeted Athletes & Coaches

## BC Sprint/Jumps Project Warm Weather Camp

Date: March 2019Location: TBD

Camp Leaders: Laurier Primeau, Tara SelfAttendees: Open to all BC Athletics Members

o Invitations: BC Athletics High Performance Targeted Athletes & Coaches

#### BC Endurance Project – Whistler High School XC Camp

Date: August 2020Location: Whistler, BC

Hosted by BC Athletics & the BC Endurance Project

Open to all High School Aged Athletes



#### 7. Athlete Identification

#### RBC Training Ground

- Dates: Expected that 2020 events will take place throughout BC in the months of Jan, Feb &
  March
- Locations: 2019 locations included Langley, Prince George, Burnaby, Kamloops, Victoria, Richmond
- o BC Athletics will promote program to our membership and help identify coaches to assist at the events

#### **Pillar: Competition**

#### 1. 2020 Calendar of Events

2020 will be a busy year highlighted by 2020 Olympic Games and BC Summer Games.
 Both events will have an impact on Event Calendars Nationally & Provincially.

#### o Key Dates:

- Canadian Track & Field Championships June 25–28, 2020
- BC Track & Field Championships Jamboree July 10-12, 2020
- BC Summer Games July 23–26, 2020
- Olympic Games July 24–August 9, 2020
- National Youth Track & Field Championships August 7-9, 2020

#### 2. 2019 BC Athletics Event Congress

- o 2019 Date: Held October 9, 2019; 7:00pm 8:30pm; In-person and Teleconference
- Held annually to discuss scheduling on the BC Athletics Track & Field Calendar of Events for the upcoming season, and next 2 seasons.
- Working with event area experts to ensure that the BCA Calendar of Events sufficiently meets the needs of each event group / discipline (ex. Racewalk, Combined Events, etc.)

# 3. Event Sanctioning

- Oversaw the BC Athletics process for the sanctioning of Track & Field Competitions
- Online version of the Track & Field Meet sanctioning form now available. Meet directors now have the option to do it online or send in hard copy.



# **Sanctioned Events (Year over Year Analysis)**

Year	Sanctioned Events	Not Received	Cancelled Events	Male Participants	Female Participants	Males (Para)	Females (Para)	Total Participants	PESF Fees
2019	81	2	3	10,215	9,632	101	40	20,459	\$6,829.36
2018	68	2	3	11,432	10,691	89	57	22,269	\$6,968.42
2017	76	5	3	10,951	10,087	44	27	21,109	\$6,221.96

#### "Traditional" BC Athletics Sanctioned Meets

Event	Total	Event Name	Total Participant	Increase/Decreas	% Increase / Decrease
2018 Harry Jerome Indoor Games	435	Harry Jerome Indoor Games - 2019	480	45	10.34%
2018 Gary Reed Indoor Invitational	139	Gary Reed Indoor Invitiational	173	34	24.46%
Van Ryswyk Invitational / BC Masters Indoor C	173	2019 Van Ryswyk / BC Masters Championships	83	-90	-52.02%
2018 Emilie Mondor Invitational	269	2019 Emilie Mondor Invitational	328	59	21.93%
UBC Open 2018	432	UBC Open	325	-107	-24.77%
VOC Elementary School Track Meet	633	VOC Elementary Track Meet	676	43	6.79%
NorWesters Elementaries Meet	316	Norwesters Elementaries Meet	334	18	5.70%
2018 Vancouver Elementary Schools Champio	833	Vancouver Elementary School T&F Champs	993	160	19.21%
2018 Best Western Battle of the Border	429	2019 Battle of the Border	400	-29	-6.76%
Elwood Wylie Memorial Track & Field Meet	479	Elwood Wylie Memorial Track & Field Meet	373	-106	-22.13%
2018 Bob Dailey Memorial	358	2019 Bob Dailey Memorial	293	-65	-18.16%
2018 Dylan Armstrong Classic	373	2019 Dylan Armstrong Classic	205	-168	-45.04%
SFTC 2018 Junior Olympics	325	South Fraser Junior Olympics	226	-99	-30.46%
West kootenay Legion Track Meet	146	West Kootenay Legion Track Meet	103	-43	-29.45%
Lower Island High School Track & Field Cham	450	Lower Island High School Track & Field Champi	406	-44	-9.78%
13th Annual Eagle Classic Track & Field Meet	420	14th Annual Eagles Classic	486	66	15.71%
Dogwood Track & Field Meet	370	2019 Dogwood Track & Field Meet	341	-29	-7.84%
2018 Okanagan Zone Championships	378	2019 Okanagan Valley HS Championships	387	9	2.38%
Fraser Valley High School Championships	1209	Fraser Valley Track & Field Championships	1160	-49	-4.05%
Vancouver Island High School Championships	681	Vancouver Island High School Track & Field Ch	798	117	17.18%
BC Elementary School Championships	1259	51st BC Elementary School Track & Field Cham	1147	-112	-8.90%
Jack Brow Memorial Meet	445	Jack Brow Memorial Meet	362	-83	-18.65%
2018 BC Athletics Track & Field Championshi	664	2019 BC Championships Jamboree	673	9	1.36%
Bc High School Track & Field Championships	1941	BC High School Championships	1903	-38	-1.96%
2018 BC Athletics JD Pentathlon Championsh	204	2019 BC Athletics JD Pentathlon Championship	178	-26	-12.75%
Trevor Craven Memorial Meet	657	Trevor Craven Memorial Meet	574	-83	-12.63%
Jesse Bent Invitational Track & Field Meet	979	Jesse Bent Invitational Track & Field Meet	891	-88	-8.99%
2018 JD Track & Field Championships	323	2019 JD Track & Field Championships	463	140	43.34%
Universal Track & Field Meet	448	Universal Track & Field Meet	464	16	3.57%
Garriock Track Meet	358	CVAC Garriock Track Meet	328	-30	-8.38%
Total	16126		15553	-573	-3.55%

#### Insights:

- The Number of Sanctioned Events increased by 19% (13 events)
- The Total Number of Athletes competing in Sanctioned events decreased by 8.2% (1,810 Participants)
- Traditional BCA Sanctioned Meets on average saw a decline in participation by 3.55%.
- We are seeing more events but less athletes at each event.

#### 4. 2020 Pacific Distance Carnival & Canadian 10,000m Championships

o Date: May 31, 2019 (Still to be confirmed)

o Location: Swangard Stadium, Burnaby, BC

o Events: 1500m, 5000m, 10,000m National Championships



# 5. 2021/2022 BC Athletics Track & Field Championship Jamboree

- o Still accepting bids to host 2021/2022 BC Athletics Track & Field Championships
- o Track & Field Committee reviewing Jamboree entry fees
- Track & Field Committee to discuss and approve BC Championships Hosting Policies
  Document to be provided and signed by host clubs.

# **Pillar: Organization Capacity**

# 1. Communication and Marketing

- Awards
  - o Sport BC Annual Athlete of the Year Awards
    - Track & Field Committee to meet on Dec 8<sup>th</sup> to review and approve 2019 Award Winners
  - o BC Athletics Annual Athlete of the Year Awards Feb 2020
    - Track & Field Committee to meet on Dec 8<sup>th</sup> to review and approve 2019 Award Winners