BC Athletics Officials AGM Minutes

October 19th 2013
Royal Canadian Legion – White Rock

Present: Neil Chin Aleong, Bill Koch, Sue Kydd, Celina Wong, Shirley Young, Hans Young, Jake Madderom, Keith Newell, Brian Thomson, Shirley Byington, Jeff Byington, Judy Needham, Alwilda van Ryswyk, Sandra Dever, Wayne Elke, Cheryl Elke, Gene Sanderson, Al McLeod, Peter Fejfar, Joan Cowden, Dale Loewen, Dave Short, Sandra Turner, Marthy Merkt-Caprile, Enrique Merkt, Juliette, Christie, Peter Hesketh, John Akehurst, John Cull, Carol Cull.

Chair Reminders:
- BCA Memberships
- Nominations for Annual Awards
- Election of Committee Members

Annual Report:
- Zone Reps
- Committee’s Budget
- Donations
- 2013 Activities
  - Lots of officiating – High number of officials (20 – 76) at all championship, international as well as at the larger club meets; main difficulty in providing officials to meets was timing conflicts between meets. Over 70 track and field meets in BC officiated by BCA officials and a small number of BC officials worked at Canadian Seniors in Moncton or other meets outside BC.
  - Spectator Code of Conduct sent on to BCA Board.
  - We actively encourage officials to work outside their zones – travel expense budget has been used effectively to encourage travel outside zones.
  - Legion Championships
    - Generally a well-organized and conducted meet.
    - Well-staffed.
    - Scheduling difficult, we hope to revisit for 2014
  - JD Championships
    - Well-staffed and well-organized.
  - BC Masters Championships
    - Some scheduling difficulties meant some events were contested very late
  - Jamboree
    - Well-organized meet
    - Adjustment to schedules will be made to best accommodate athlete needs for 2014.
    - Increased numbers of participants creates scheduling difficulties.
    - New schedule will be posted on line by November 2013. This will allow for feedback from those involved.
    - The initial conflict that existed between the 2014 Jerome and Jamboree has been resolved. Many thanks to Garrett Collier.
  - The BCHS Championships
• Becoming a major meet with increased funding. This will allow for increased participation for officials from outside the hosting region.

• Education & Upgrading
  o Workshops
    ▪ 8 L1 workshops
    ▪ 2 L2 workshops & 1 pending
    ▪ 1 national workshop
    ▪ 3 BC officials to attend the NOC “Train the trainers” workshop in Winnipeg November 2-3. Provincial funding is sending 2 of the 3, while NOC is funding the 3rd official.
  o See Upgrade listing for 2013, several officials upgraded.

• Lowlights & Issues
  o Conflicting meets (creates increased pressure on officials, also creates problems for clubs). This will be taken up with BCA.
  o Coordination of provincial mentoring needs to be emphasized.

• Resolutions from Officials Committee to BCA AGM
  o Re: meet conflicts – officials are interested parties
  o Re: annual membership fee for officials to be waived

• Competition Highlights for 2014
  o NACAC - Kamloops
  o Legion Championships - Langley
  o BCHS Championships – Langley
  o BC Summer Games – Nanaimo
  o BC Seniors – Langley
  o Harry Jerome
  o BC JD Championships

• Goals for 2014
  o Improve coordination of provincial mentoring and evaluation process
  o Promote officiating
  o Pursue implementation of spectator code of conduct

Elections
• By acclamation:
  o John Cull
  o Brian Thomson
  o Greg Nichol
  o Wayne Elke
  o Bill Koch
  o Carol Cull

2014-15 IAAF Rule Book
    Email Keith Newell (kdnewell@shaw.ca) if you would like a pdf copy of the new 2014-15 rulebook.

2013 Awards (nominations reviewed and decisions made post-meeting by SK and SY)
• Awards will be presented at the BCA Awards Ceremony in December 2013