

**BC Athletics Junior Development Committee Meeting
Minutes**

Sunday, April 7, 2019

10am by Teleconference

1) Attendance

Dawn Copping (Chair), Birgit Weaver (Vice Chair), Dan Horan, Alwilda Van Ryswyk, Christine Dela Cruz, Darren Willis (BOD Committee Liaison), Sabrina Nettey (Introductory Programs Coordinator)
Regrets: Carolyn Emon, Ross Browne, Tom Dingle (BCA Statistician)

2) Acceptance of Agenda

Alwilda requested that both JD T&F Championship Souvenir Item and Date of JD AGM in relation to BCA AGM be added to the agenda. Sabrina requested Age Group Names Survey be added to the agenda.

Motion to accept agenda (Alwilda Van Ryswyk/Birgit Weaver) Accepted.

3) Acceptance of Minutes

Dan noted that Item 7 of February Minutes should read "Year of birth" rather than "Year or birth"

Motion to accept the minutes of the February meeting (Birgit Weaver/Dan Horan) Accepted.

4) Items arising from February Meeting

No items arising from February meeting

5) Election of Secretary for 2019

The secretary position was not filled. Dawn would like to see more people become involved with the JD committee. Darren continuing to look for representative from the Vancouver Island.

6) Report from Darren

No report presented as there has not been a Board of Directors meeting during the period since the last JD Committee meeting.

7) Report on BC Athletics Spring Break Track & Field Camp

Sabrina delivered report on the BC Athletics Spring Break Track & Field Camp in Burnaby. Dawn delivered report on Vancouver Thunderbirds Track & Field Camp. Discussion around other camps in the Lower Mainland, with the hope to see more such camps occurring. Agreed that in the future a BC Athletics webpage could be created to promote all camp opportunities province wide. Sabrina mentioned that presently all camps can also be posted to the BC Athletics calendar of events.

8) Athletes training but not competing

Darren delivered report in Tom's absence. Noted that approximately 2/3 of Junior Development members (including both competitive and training memberships) do participate in competitions. Tom able to continue tracking this in future years. Recognition that clubs use training and competitive

membership differently to best suit their members. Sabrina noted that Junior Development membership is growing each year.

9) Questionnaire re: School District Participation in Track & Field

Dawn noted that she has received some questionnaires but many districts still need to be reviewed. Discussion of delay resulting from some regions having many districts. Committee will work to divide up project.

10) New Meets to be considered for inclusion in Awards List

Motion to accept Richard Collier Throws Fest and Vernon All Comers (Dan Horan/Christine Dela Cruz). Accepted

Motion to re-instate Sub Zero Meet and Spruce Capital Meet (Birgit Weaver/Dawn Copping). Accepted

Motion to include Ultra Throws Fest, Cory Holly Classic, and Bondarchuk Cup (Dan Horan/Christine Dela Cruz). Accepted

11) Updating of the JD Bylaws and other items on the website.

Dan reported on areas of the JD Track & Field and Cross Country Manual and sections of BC Athletics Governing Documents pertaining to Junior Development Programs requiring updating including: Constitution & Bylaws; Terms of Reference – Duties & Responsibilities; Operating Policies, Procedures, Rules & Regulations. Committee reviewed and updated. Darren to provide updated versions of documents and versions with notes to Board of Directors. Darren to follow up with board regarding thoughts on club medals at relay championships.

12) JD T&F Souvenir Item

The Meet Director of the JD Track & Field Championships (Maureen de St. Croix) contacted the JD Committee to inquire about interest in providing all Championship participants with a souvenir item, the cost of which would be embedded in the entry fee of their first event. The JD Committee determined that this was not necessary due to the difficulty of pre-determining the number of items needed, the difficulty for clubs to determine who would pay for the souvenir item (parent or club), and the existence of other souvenir items available for purchase onsite through Special T Event Group.

13) Age Group Name Survey

Darren explained that the Board of Directors had voted to change BC Athletics age group names for those 14+ to align with Athletics Canada and that the JD Committee was being asked for their recommendation on what naming should be used for the Junior Development age group. Sabrina explained that the names used would be for the purposes of membership and wouldn't affect meet operations. The JD Committee reviewed the results of the BC Athletics Age Group Name Survey and determined that they preferred for single age group categories to be used. Darren to communicate to the Board of directors.

14) Date of JD AGM in relation to BC Athletics AGM

JD Committee discussed the continued difficulty faced in the BC Athletics AGM occur so early in September as well as having it occur prior to the JD AGM in October. No decision made on how to handle this.

15) Motion to Adjourn

16) Next Meeting

Next meeting September 15, 2019