BCA JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

April 10, 2011
10:00 am to 1:00pm

Brighouse Park Pavilion,
7840 Granville Ave, Richmond, BC

Committee Meeting Minutes

Attendees:
JD Committee Members: Dawn Copping, Peter Maryschuk, Alwilda van Ryswyk, Dave Short, Kevin Harrison
BCA Board Director: Tom Dingle
Regrets: Len van Ryswyk, Sheila Weegar, Besnick Mece

Meeting: Called to Order at 10:12 am – Dawn Copping

1. Review acceptance of the April 10, 2011 Agenda:

   Motion: To accept the April 10, 2011 Agenda as presented.
   Moved: Dave Short  Second: Alwilda Van Ryswyk
   Carried

2. Minutes from January 30, 2011 meeting:

   Motion: To accept the draft Minutes of January 30, 2011.
   Moved: Kevin Harrison  Second: Alwilda van Ryswyk
   Carried

3. Business arising from January 30, 2011 minutes:

   1. Relay format for JD Meets
      
      Recommended: That the short relays remain as 4x100m and that the Medley Relay be amended to 200m/200m/200m/600m.
      Rationale: Include 11 year olds in medley
      Action: Endorsed

   2. 2kg instead of 3kg hammer for 12/13 year olds?

      Recommended: That beginning in 2012 a 2kg hammer should be used for 12 and 13 year old females and 12 year old males.
      Rationale: European clubs use the smaller weight for children so that proper technique can be practiced before more weight is added. Proper technique helps with handling increased hammer weights and reduces athlete injuries.
      Action: JD Committee will gather input from national throws coaches and club JD Program Coordinators and Coaches before the 2012 AGM. If there is agreement around the use of a 2kg hammer then a resolution will be put forth by the JD committee at the AGM.
Suggestion: Dawn to consult throws coaches about the possible inclusion of the 500g javelin as a way to enhance progression of throwers from the 400g to the 600g javelin and bring back recommendations to the Sept meeting.

4. JD Pentathlon Championships for 2011

- South Fraser to host on same date posted on fixtures list
- High jump still a difficult event to run without significant delays
- Tom to produce adjusted BCJD Awards standards for those age group competing the 600m

5. Expenses Allowed

- Expenses paid for the 2011 AGM recognized as being high so clarification made on what expenses are supported for members traveling from out of town:
  a) mileage
  b) travel costs (car, ferry, airplane)
  c) one night accommodation
  d) receipts up to $50 for food

6. Attendance at Meetings

- Clarification that only committee members may attend the JD Committee Meetings. This past year there were some in attendance who were not. Non members may attend in order to make a presentation but should leave before voting takes place.

7. Review of Relay Inclusion Rules:

- Clarification that only those athletes with BC Athletics memberships can compete in the relays at the Provincial Championships. This position needs to be reiterated and sent out to all club head coaches.

8. JD’s and Road Racing

- Recommendation: that this committee sends a note to the BC Athletics Board of Directors that clearly communicates our stand against any BC Athletics endorsement of Road Racing events involving distances beyond the current cross country racing standards and does in fact discourage it because of the possible damage to athletes who run on hard surfaces.
- Rationale: The Long Term Athlete Development Model

9. JD Banquet Preparations

- Date set for: October 30 at the Croatian Cultural Centre
- Clarification that only those athletes with BC Athletics memberships can compete in the relays at the Provincial Championships. This position needs to be reiterated and sent out to all club head coaches. (I’d delete as this was already dealt with above.)

  Actions:
  a) Dawn will arrange food/catering, flowers for the tables
  b) Dave will organize a 50/50 draw, door prizes, and banners
  c) Kevin to organize power point and registration table
  d) Tom to look into projector and screen/ Dawn may also have projector

10. Review the Mandate of the JD Committee

Acknowledgment: All JD Committee members have reviewed and recognized the importance of reviewing the BCA Constitution, Bylaws, Terms of Reference, Rules and Regulations and the JD Manual on the BCA website.
Recommendations:
- All recommendations and resolutions from the JD Committee submitted to the Board should be at the top of the minutes and bolded as per current Board recommendation
- Once approved, Dawn to submit our minutes to the Board President to approve before making it available to all BCA members via link on our JD website
- We need to improve the communication to and from the JD committee and BCA members and zone reps

11. Raising the profile of the JD Committee in the BC Community of Athletics

Acknowledgment: All JD Committee members have reviewed and recognized the importance of the JD in the 21st century document and when possible strive to make improvements and advocate for the development of our young athletes.

12. New Business
- Need to continue to “police” compliance with JD standards for all sanctioned meets
- Need to consider potential for promoting an indoor track circuit for JD’s including an indoor provincial championship meet.
- BC Summer Games needs a track rep – we all need to submit recommended candidates to the committee for consideration
- Some discussion regarding how to make JD website more engaging for athletes so that more people visit it

Committee meeting dates for 2011:

- Sunday, Sept. 4, 2011 (amended from original date of Sept 11)
- Saturday, Oct. 29, 2011, after the BCA Cross-Country Championships

Motion to adjourn at 1:25pm - Carried

Next Meeting

- Sunday, Sept 4, 2011
- 10:00am – 1:00pm
- #155 – 3820 Cessna Drive, Richmond BC V7C 4L2
- or
- Via Teleconference Line
- Access numbers will be emailed out to members