BC Athletics Road Running Committee
Meeting Minutes – March 25, 2009

Attending: Jake Madderom, Clifton Cunningham, Geoffrey Buttner, Frank Stebner, Maurice Wilson, Greg White (6:30pm)
By conference call: Trudi Jackson, Rick Jenkner, Bob Reid (6:15pm),

Annual General Meeting called to order at 6:10pm

1. Acceptance of the Agenda – Jake Madderom / Geoffrey Buttner – carried
2. Acceptance of the BCA AGM 2008 Minutes – Jake Madderom / Trudi Jackson – carried (Rick Jenkner abstained)
3. BCA AGM Discussion
   a. Road Running budget annual budget of $2000, 2008 used approximately $850
      • Can unused Road Running monies be reallocated to other Road Running Projects?
      • ACTION – Ask board what is process to reallocate budget within Road Running if desired for next year?
4. Elections of Road Running Committee
   a. 2009 Nominations put forward, voted and carried by committee
      i. Secretary – Clifton Cunningham
      ii. Treasurer – Bob Reid
      iii. Vice Chair – Geoffrey Buttner
      iv. Chair – Frank Stebner
   b. All committee members have agreed to return and serve the Road Running Committee for 2009.
5. Other AGM business
   a. Discussion about broadening representation on RR Committee (carried forward to March 25 Committee Meeting – 9. Goals for 2010).
6. Meeting Adjourned 6:36pm

Road Running Committee – March 25th, 2009 Committee Meeting called to order 6:37pm

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1. Acceptance of the Agenda – Jake Madderom / Trudi Jackson – carried
2. Review and Acceptance of the Nov 24, 2008 Minutes
   a. Note correction to item 4 A 3 – there are 7 lower mainland races plus the Sun Run
   b. Motioned Jake Madderom / Trudi Jackson – Carried
3. Discussion 2008 AGM Resolutions
   a. ACTION – BOARD – Clarify prize money resolution, if it would be applied to 2010 Championships early in the year, that may fall in the 2009 fiscal period, ending in March.
   b. ACTION – BOARD – Resolution regarding updating of the policy manual, was removed from resolutions, intent was to have an updated policy manual reflecting changes over the past few years. It was deemed not a resolution by the board, but would be acted upon.
      i. What is the status of this action? When will policies be updated or when will an addendum of change summaries be posted with the policies?
ii. Specific references to the effective dates of membership and the age of masters athletes.

4. 2009 / 2010 BCA Championships and Prize Money
   a. Staff Update – no new applications to host championships (2010 all events, 2009 10k and relay events)
   b. Pioneer 8k – RR committee wishes to thank the event for their excellent hosting of the 8k championships in January.
   c. Discussion regarding participation numbers. Overall positive so far in 2009.
   d. Update on the following 2009 Championship events
      i. Fool’s Run Half-Marathon, April 5, BC Half-Marathon Championship
      ii. Legion Twilight Shuffle 5k, June 16, Chemainus, BC 5k Championship
      iii. Royal Victoria Marathon, October 11, Victoria, BC Marathon Championship
   e. Discussion of extending applications for 2010, deadline extended from March 31, to September 30, 2009. Applicants for 2010 championships will have option to apply for both 2010 and 2011 hosting. Applications will be received beyond September 30th, for distances that have not found hosts, but Championship prize money will be distributed to chosen applicants as of October 1st.
   f. ACTION – STAFF / CHAIR – To send a personal email to 2009 BCA Sanctioned events to encourage them to apply to host a 2010 Championship event.

5. And 6. Canadian Marathon & Half Marathon Championships
   a. Currently $2000 in funding to support BC Athletics competitive members to go to both Marathon & Half-Marathon Championships
   b. Staff Update – eligible competitive members have been contacted via email about the championship events. Currently some members are attending at the invitation / cost of the individual race directors.
      i. Jon Brown, Steve Osaduik will both be attending the Half-Marathon Championships in Montreal, travel and accommodations covered by the event. $2000 funding available for other competitive members to apply.
      ii. Five BC athletes will be attending the Marathon Championships in Ottawa, travel and accommodations covered by the event. $2000 funding available for other competitive members to apply.
   c. Clarification – Competitive members have been contacted as selected by staff based on past finishing times, staff cannot send a broadcast to all competitive members as they currently cannot differentiate within AC Direct.

7. BC Road Running Series Updates
   a. Lower Mainland series has two supporting sponsors in Timex and the Running Room, continue to look for a title sponsor and to improve the series prizing.

8. BC and AC Road Race Rankings status
   a. AC ranking currently only lists rankings of competitive members. IAAF ranks all athletes. BCA ranks all athletes.
   b. Only competitive members are eligible to set records within AC and BCA. CMA policy has some inconsistencies as to records set by members and non members. IAAF accepts records from all athletes.
   c. Discussion of record and rankings policies, over the four governing bodies. DOE members typically represent 98% of road running event participants.

9. Road Running Committee Goals for 2010
   a. Discussion of action items the committee would like to see in 2010
b. Agreed on the following goals for 2010
   i. Continue to expand the number of Sanctioned Events
   ii. Host championship events for all designated distances
   iii. Grow the RR Committee, with representation from
        - Other regions (Island, Northern BC, Valley)
        - Competitive athletes
        - Representatives from all BCA RR Series
   iv. Continue to support 40 masters age, but no longer pursue. This has been supported by BCA Board and is currently before the IAAF. Our committee awaits the decision of the IAAF to rule on the resolution to change the master’s age to 40+ in Aug 2009.
   v. Continue to support expanded eligibility for Road Running Championships.

c. ACTION – BOARD - Request the board of BC Athletics, to develop a 2009 working subcommittee, with representation from all divisions, to review the membership model, eligibility and championship eligibility, and to develop recommendations presented at the 2009 AGM.

10. Other Business
    a. Update from staff –
       i. BCA Event insurance, clarification that policy does cover the participation of wheelchairs and baby joggers. The insurance checklist will be revised to reflect coverage. The policy does not cover any other wheel participants.
       ii. Race Director package, is getting close to a presentation format, staff would like input from the committee on items such as headphone use and a runners etiquette document to be included in package.
    b. Inquiry from Rick Jenkner, if a web forum could be established on the BCA website, Rick’s triathlon club uses a forum as a benefit to members, BCA staff to look into possibilities and “getvanilla.com” forum used by triathlon club

11. Future Meeting dates
    a. Tentative dates of June 24th for next RR Meeting and Early September dates
    b. Note board meetings taking place April 4 and June 20
    c. Dates for the AGM will be posted shortly, to accommodate early AGM notice for 2009. AGM Dates have been posted as December 5, 6, 7, 2009.

Meeting Adjourned 8:22pm – Jake Madderom / Geoffrey Buttner – carried.

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