

ROAD RUNNING COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

Sport BC Building, Richmond BC

Wednesday, July 20, 2011 - 6pm

In person: Frank Stebner, Clifton Cunningham, Jake Madderom, Jim Hinze, Maurice Wilson, Geoffrey Buttner

By tele-conference: Bob Reid, Cindy Rhodes (6:35pm), Rick Jenkner (7:01pm), Jordan Myers (7:05pm)

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Meeting called to order 6:11pm.

1. Review and Acceptance of July 20, 2011 meeting agenda.
 - a. Moved (Jake, Clif), carried.
2. Review and acceptance March 26, 2011 committee meeting minutes.
 - a. Note clarification point 3 – BCA Championships, was that it is not a priority to try and address the limitations associated with a road relay championship in 2011/12.
 - b. Moved (Bob, Jake), carried.
3. 2010 / 2011 BCA Championship events
 - a. Discussion on 2010/11 Championship events. Marathon event still upcoming in October at the Goodlife Fitness Victoria Marathon. Attendance was up at 2011 Championship events.
 - b. 2012/13 Championship applications have been sent out to Race Directors by BCA Staff. Some applications in already.
 - c. Applications due by Sept 1, to be decided by RR Committee via email discussion. Those selected at that time will split available prize money.
4. National Road Race championships subsidy eligibility.
 - a. Discussion regarding team fees, team sizes for each distance and team funding.
 - b. Number of athletes that can be chosen for the Half Marathon or Full Marathon distances are 2 male / 2 female. Budget is \$2000 for each event, but there is flexibility to increase this amount if needed.
 - c. For the 10k championships, 4 male / 4 female + Coach are eligible to be chosen. Budget is \$8000.
 - d. BCA can support athletes travel and entry fee costs. There is money available up to a limit for each distance and number of members. Each person chosen for a BC Team, no matter the size would need to pay the “team” fee to BC Athletics to receive the funding.
 - e. A Clearer outline of the selection criteria, eligibility, and selection process will be developed and posted on the BCA website, information will be circulated by staff to coaches and athletes.
(Cindy Rhodes – joined call at 6:35pm)
 - f. Action – Frank will work to develop criteria standard. Discussion to consider track criteria model as well as other governing bodies.

- i. Some notes to consider – proof of fitness, certified course, timeline for qualification, BC Championship participation
 - ii. Bob to forward Harriers application process and form to Frank.
 - g. Goal is to encourage athletes to take advantage of funding opportunities to participate in national championships and have BCA representation at these championships.
 - h. Other discussion regarding Mountain Running Championship (falls under Cross Country) and the Ultra Running Championships (falls under Road). Both under IAAF umbrella. BCA can only give support to go to national championships, under AC.
- 5. Develop Strategies to attract younger athletes to the road running
 - a. Discussion on attracting younger runners (<30) to road running.
(Rick Jenkner joined call (7:01pm)
(Jordan Myers joined call 7:05pm)
 - b. Some clubs and events are struggling with membership and participation under 30 years old. Discussion on topic, as some other events do not have this issue.
 - c. Topic will be added to BCA Race Director Forum, being scheduled for Spring of 2012, Jordan and Geoffrey are working on and will update committee.
- 6. CMAA/AC agreement. (As it affects road running)
 - a. Discussion there may be an agreement in principal in place, between CMAA and AC. AC members Alberta and Ontario have accepted and begun charging the \$10 increase in Master's fees.
 - b. Agreement may be presented to AC members by end of year, for ratification at the 2012 AGM.
 - c. More detail and clarification is needed.
- 7. BC Road Running Series – update & discussion for 2012
 - a. Timex Series – other than Sun Run, race attendance was up in 2011. Additional merchandise prizes (5th, 6th, 7th) were awarded this year, plus money prize for top 4 (male & female).
 - b. Island Series – The 2012 Island Race Series will be comprised of 8 races starting with the Harriers Pioneer 8K on January 8 and concluding with the Sooke River 10K on April 15.
 - c. Lower Mainland Series – Still 2 races to go in series, ending in mid-August. New sponsors are needed to support series, series must also move in 2012 to be more independent and less reliant of BCA Staff to manage.
 - d. Interior Series – Numbers in many events were down, one or two events in the series may not occur in 2012, some clubs showing declines in membership numbers.
- 8. Updating BCA Policies and procedures?
 - a. RR Committee has asked the Board to report on the status of updating the policy and procedures, bylaws of BC Athletics and the online versions of these, to reflect changes over the past five plus years.
 - b. Action – Jim to ask the Board at the next BCA Board meeting on August 11.
- 9. BC AGM date Dec 2,3,4 - Road Race report / RR awards

- a. Dates for the AGM were set by Executive and staff, based on venue and staffing commitments.
 - b. RR Committee noted that the committees should be consulted/informed of these decisions.
10. BCA Road Race Rankings?
- a. BCA Rankings are being merged with the AC rankings. Still glitches to be worked out with AC system, but goal is to have full Road Ranking lists through the AC site.
11. Age Graded Championships awards – motion by Rick Jenkner, second by Jordan Myers
- a. Discussion on the following motion brought forward, resulting in the final word change format below and passed by committee vote.
 - b. Jim Hinze to consult Board at meeting on August 11, regarding next steps and implementation of motion. To report via email or at next RR meeting.

Whereas age-graded time is the best determination of the excellence of a performance on any given day, and

Whereas this committee has, in the past expressed a desire that the BCA championships award age-graded medals,

Be it resolved that the BCA 5K, 8K, 10K, Half marathon, and Marathon Championship Races begin awarding the top 3 male and top 3 female age graded performances as calculated by the 2010 WMA age-graded tables with medals beginning in 2012.

All membership types that are eligible for any other championship awards shall be eligible for these awards.

12. Future meetings
- a. Dates for consideration in September and November for meetings.
 - b. Discussion of championship events in early September to take place via email.
13. Other Business
- a. Whistler Relay – BCA has received course approval in principle, awaiting final. Registration and website info to launch week of meeting. Multi-loop figure 8 type course, with participants being able to walk between exchanges.

Meeting adjourned (Jake, Geoffrey), carried - 8:25pm.

Minutes as recorded by Clifton Cunningham on Wednesday, July 20th, 2011.

Minutes submitted to RR Committee for review / revision Saturday July 30th, 2011.