

### **USATF** *Pacific* Board of Athletics

# 7:30pm-9:15pm, January 21, 2025 Meeting Minutes

#### • 7:30 – 7:35pm Roll Call-Cori Evans & announce guests

 Attendees: Fred Baer, Robert Benoy, Tori Busto, Donald Collins, Andy Crawford. J.R. Heberle, Irene Herman, Travis Johnson, John Knowles, Jennifer Laret, Phil Leake, Angie Longworth, John Mansoor, Dante McCarthy, Ajay Padgaonkar, David Sander, Dave Shrock, Alice Smith, Robyn Stevens, Eric Stuart, Meia Tezeno, Nicholas Tsotu, Lee Webb, Denise Williams-West, Athony Davis, Sheree Parker, Jay Lovlin, Donald Monsbacher, Travis Johnson, Cori Evans

#### • 7:36 – 7:39pm Review unapproved minutes of November 19th – Cori

 November Meeting minutes – will amend with the following corrections: remove Andrew Crawford from minutes and add Ajay Padgaonkar to attendees; Fred Baer moved to approve as amended; Seconded by Andrew Crawford; no abstentions. Motion approved.

#### • 7:40 – 7:42pm CenCal's decision not to merge – Irene

- Irene Herman informed the group that CenCal decided not to merge with other associations, which will affect future regional coordination.
- Lynell Glover, President of Central Association has decided to stay on as President
- Meia T. youth committee have been in touch with Dave Lawrence and CenCal and working on getting dates solidified.

#### • 7:43 – 7:50pmTreasurer's Report-Jason & John-2025

- Jason was absent and John M. gave the treasury report.
- o Vanguard account closed and will merge with Merrill Lynch investment
- Currently doing well from investments
- Membership and club dues are going to have to be raised. This was a last minute decision by the National office.

## • 7:51–7:58pm: no decision on future conventions will be odd year zoom, even year in person convention. Delegates are pushing for the mid-US location.

- Dave S. strong indication next year will be Friday night opening session.
   Saturday, full meetings, Sunday closing, and then leave. Details are still being worked out.
- Anticipated meeting format Thursday meeting, Saturday. General meetings, Sunday closing sessions. So every committee will have their executive sessions in this model via zoom prior to coming to the meeting

site, so that eliminates one day of meetings that sounded through a lot of committees a very doable function, especially with increasing technology.

- 7:59pm 8:05pm: Youth, Youth Travel Grants and membership events, Submitted RJT Grant \$2000. & Irene
  - Tori. B. presented on Run Jump Throw (RJT) event at American River College is scheduled for Sunday, February 8th, from 12 PM to 2 PM.
     Currently 20 officials confirmed to work the event, it is a Sanctioned by the National Office
  - Expecting 500+ athletes, with a capacity for up to 800 participants
  - Several Olympians attending, currently funded out-of-pocket
  - Seeks grant funds to reimburse Olympians for their time and effort
  - \$2000 Grant submitted and approved Dave S. suggested reimbursement of out of pocket expenses once final projects, expenditures have been done.
  - o \$645 funds in Youth budget for RJT.
- 8:06pm 8:10pm: Foundation Report-Stephanie B,
  - No updates
- 8:11pm 8:15pm: Awards Chairs-Ryan Cowley & Leroy Milam-Status of awards
  - No updates
- 8:16 8:25pm: 2025 Annual Pacific Association Recognition Banquet-Fred B & Irene Catering
  - Planning between 100 120 participants
  - o Encouraged to come early around 5pm to help with setting up
  - \$40 fee to attend, however, arrangements can be made by request
  - By Bellini Restaurant, Foster City. February 8, 2025: 5-8:30pm
- 8:26 8:36pm: All committees elections nominations open now
  - Elections are now open from January 18 March 18
  - Must be 18 y/o and member of the Pacific Association, safe sport certified and background checked
  - Have attended 4 board of athletics meeting in the last 3 years
  - Send nominations to John Mansoor.
  - If there is more than one person nominated, a voting notice via email will be sent to all members between March 20 – April 20.
  - The vote counting meeting will be May 20.
- 8:37pm-8:50pm: Competition & events: John Mansoor
  - Championship Competition Events: Remaining and future Colleges:
  - o Dec 27-29, 2024 Reno Holiday Invitational Report

- o Feb 1-2, 2025 Pacific Association Indoor Track Championship in Reno
- o Feb 15-17, 2025 President's Invitational in Reno
- o Nov 1, 2025 Masters 5K Cross Championship in San Francisco
  - Andrew C. gave update on the Masters 5K event:
    - Submitted a bid to host the Masters 5K Cross Country National Championship, Executive Committee voted in favor to recommend the bid
    - Awaiting official acceptance, but approval is highly likely
    - Prize Money: \$5,000 prize purse for the Masters 5K, Standard open prize purse for PA athletes
- Nov 2025 D1 & D2 West Regional Cross in Sacramento
- May 2026 D1 West Regional Track in Sacramento
- Nov 2026 D1 West Regional Cross in Sacramento
- 8:51pm 9:10pm: New Business; Start the nomination process for chairs & Com.
   Next meeting:
  - Nominating process was discussed.
  - o Consideration of new business and concerns raised.
  - Bylaws & Operating Procedures Review:
    - Potential need for an ad hoc committee to update operating procedures and bylaws.
    - Don Collins conducted a preliminary review of the bylaws and found gaps. And identified areas needing revision, particularly in:
      - Grievance procedures
      - Disciplinary actions
      - General policy and procedural oversight
  - o Motion to have the President appoint a committee to review the bylaws.
    - Committee to analyze and recommend adjustments for better governance and management.
- Motion Moved to adjourn meeting at 8:51; Phil L. Moved; Second Robyn B. and Andrew C.
- March 18, 2025 via Zoom. Please submit your reports to Cori Evans for posting.