

Nebraska Association of USA Track & Field

Long Distance Running (LDR) Committee Meeting

03.05.16, 1:30pm (Location: Mahoney State Park)

Logan Watley, Colin Morrissey, Will Lindgren, Kristina Myint, Linda Kunasek, Maureen Larsen, Macy Larsen, Tim McCargill, Mike Hajek-Jones

1) USATF Update

- a. LDR Chair Logan Watley gave update on funding procedures based on discussions with Association Treasurer and President.
- b. 2015 Grand Prix Results – Group confirmed while the series had a good intention, the end goal (more participation) was not met. A 2016 Grand Prix series will be shelved in an effort to put higher emphasis on association championship events.

2) LDR Committee

- a. Based on the association bylaws, an LDR committee should be established to govern the activities of the LDR community (essentially, LDR is not youth and not officials; includes open and masters runners). Bylaws should be referenced to see the specifics on who should be included in the committee.
- b. As of 3/5, there will be five members representing different clubs in the state (all clubs designated as “open” or “masters” were contacted with only five positively responding).
- c. There will also be one member of the committee focused on disabled runners. Discussion was held on whether Kristina would double in this capacity but no decision was made.
- d. The bylaws also state there should be a USATF “official” on the committee. Logan will contact Brock Angelos regarding interested.
- e. Finally, three at-large members are allowed. It was agreed that those at the meeting should be given preference. Maureen and Linda were added with a third to be added at a later date once potential interest has been investigated.

3) 2016 Association Championships

- a. Ideally, these would be both sanctioned AND certified
- b. Association championships were name as follows (pending verification of certification):
 - i. Mile – Arrow to Aerospace (August - pending certification); Lincoln Mile (7/10) otherwise
 - ii. 5k – Thunder Run (8/13)
 - iii. 5m – Boystown Memorial Day Run (5/30)
 - iv. 10k – CornfieldCornfield (6/25)
 - v. Half – Lincoln Half Marathon (5/1)
 - vi. Full – Omaha Full Marathon (9/18)
 - vii. Ultra – will pass on in 2016
 - viii. Track – Brian Wandzilak track meet in June/July
 - ix. XC – Woody Greeno (9/17); potential to add November XC race hosted by USATF member club
 - x. Trail - Ni-Bthaska-Ke Trail Run (4/2)
- c. Races were discussed and approved appropriately
- d. Request was made to edit bid application to include a donation option for scholarship fund. Items will be discussed at future meetings.

4) 2016 Budget

- a. Proposed budget is as follows:
 - i. \$65 Sanction for each championship (~\$650)

- ii. \$75/\$50/\$25 for men/women open finishers at association championships; \$75 for men/women masters finishers (~\$3,600 total)
 - iii. \$250 for the purchase of association championship medals
 - iv. \$500 for 2016 scholarship
 - v. \$500 for national USATF convention travel (not including registration fee paid by association)
 - vi. \$500 discretionary
 - b. Total of \$6,000 was decided on (and subsequently sent to/approved by association president)
- 5) Next Meeting will be scheduled this summer, possibly around the Thunder Run in August