

AEC Conference Call January 27, 2013

Attendees:

Karen Krsak	Katherine Branch	Ed Koch	Sherry Quack
Marlene Atwood	Jackie Callender	Jim McKee	Alan Roth
Willie Banks	Pam Fales	Richard Messenger	Steve Vaitones
Linda Bommicino	Mike Hinz	Pat Pretty	Ruth White

Conference call began at 8:04 pm ET.

Associations Manual – Karen is waiting for a status update this week. Hopefully, it will be posted soon.

On-line Club Membership – There is not enough detail on the membership report for clubs. Pat reported that there is an issue with clubs who previously renewed for multiple years. We are not getting a reminder that they need to have their background screenings completed again, since that must be done every year. There are also complaints about the requirement for two background screenings because of the two contracts from youth and coaches registry. It was questioned how the Youth Division had the authority to sign a contract; but it was a legal issue. However, the Coaches Registry will accept a background screening from the youth division, but it does not work the other way.

On-line Sanctions – we are not up with on-line sanctions yet because there was a technical issue. It should go up shortly.

Accreditation Standards – Karen is asking Bill Roe to send the one page summary that he used at the Annual Meeting. Bill will send it when he returns from vacation. Q: Are we looking at the brand new standards for 2012, or what we had previously. You will only need to meet the easier of the two standards for 2012, and the new standards will be used for 2013.

Associations Grants – we can change the due date from June 1. We agreed to change it to August 1.

General Competition Division – we need to review the purpose of the GCD. There may have been one, but we never meet. Alan commented that the purpose was to bring three committees together, but it never happened. Then Youth split off, so with just Associations and Masters, there doesn't seem to be much need. This was originally the grass roots side of the Associations and Ed thinks there may be something to be gained now that Associations and Masters are more closely aligned. Alan and Ed think we may have an edge organizationally if we remain a division.

Associations Workshop – August 23-25 at the Sheraton Indianapolis City Center (formerly the Radisson).

Disabled Meeting – Karen heard that the meeting was never held after Dexter asked for the meeting. Pam will investigate.

Associations Page on the Website – Jim is redesigning to be more intuitive and to have search capabilities for ease of use in finding things.

Conflict in dates with JO s and Club Championship. Sherry suggested contacting the Events Division to ensure this doesn't happen again. Marlene wants to look at how many clubs actually went to the club championship last year. Steve suggested that it was because the location in Nebraska was too expensive for most clubs. Questions were raised as to the value of the Regional Meets and the fact that they could never stand alone, but will always need to be piggy-backed.

Officials Insurance – Karen and Len are scheduled to have a meeting with Stephanie to discuss paying for the officials insurance. Steve questioned the names of the officials on the list. Sherry reported that it came from the membership database and a list from Jimmy Stewart. Steve gave several examples of incorrect names.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm. The next meeting is Sunday, Feb. 17, 2013.

Submitted by

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