

MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
MARCH 25, 2007

Meeting held at the home of George Kleeman, 5104 Alhambra Valley Road, Martinez

Board members in attendance: Chairman Bruce Colman, Jim Hume, George Kleeman, Dick Connors, John Murray, Dr. Leon Glover, Phil Watkins, Dick Iwamiya, and Jon Siegel.

Non members present: Michael Boot and Margaret Sheehan.

Meeting called to order at 2:03 PM by Chairman Colman.

No closed session held.

Chairman Colman corrected the minutes from the January 13, 2007 Meeting to include Rich Cabral as a recipient of a stipend to attend the annual convention in 2006. As corrected, George Kleeman moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Jim Hume. Approved unanimously.

Chairs Report:

Edrick Floreal of Stanford asked that we not write him a letter about the hammer ring at Stanford as he is aware of our concerns.

A recent video, suggested by Joe Keever, will be shown on the screen at Stanford meets showing our officials and promoting joining the officials committee as a certified official.

John Pappa has donated \$10 to the Officials Committee.

Dues and Renewals:

Chairman Colman passed around a list of "officials" who have not yet renewed their membership for 2007.

John Bodley has requested his status be changed to Emeritus. This has been granted.

The Board of Athletics has given us a grant of \$2,000 for wrap around liability insurance.

Awards:

Dr. Glover asked for candidates for awards with notes and comments about the people being suggested for an award. The awards that are available are: Barbour, Crowe, National awards (National controls the number we can give out each year), Association (for newer officials with a couple of years experience), Special Awards for non committee members. We need to publish criteria or guidelines for the awards to be posted on the PAUSATF Web site. Dick Connors said that the remodel of the Cal facilities destroyed all but one of the Award Boards they had. Replacement Boards will be up next week. George Kleeman remarked that we need to think of the Pacific Association Hall of

Fame and whomever we nominate needs to have a write up. Need nominations by May 1, 2007. Hall of fame can be athletes, coaches and supporters also.

Certification: Jim Hume

We have many new officials certified during the clinics this past winter. As of this time we have 215 Association, 48 National, 39 Master, and 10 Emeritus Officials. We gained 21 new officials this year. Our number of newly certified officials is up because we are allocating time at the end of the Introductory clinic for the exam and certifying the attendee right there. He indicated that he is working on cleaning out “no show” officials. George Kleeman pointed out that there are “40 ish” people who claim to be officials but aren’t certified. There are 24 individuals on List #2 that were discussed.

Training: George Kleeman

170 individuals took 236 clinics from 50 instructors this year. 65 High School, 55 NCAA and 56 USATF books were sold. We broke even on the NCAA books but lost \$.70 each on the USATF books. Overall, we lost about \$50 selling books.

Old Business:

John Murray reported that the insurance we have is wrap around. The Board of Athletics has a \$45,000 surplus from 2006 and our premium would be about \$3,300. Bruce Colman pointed out that John Murray and Irene Herman have pushed for the B of A to pay for the insurance. The B of A will reduce our budget line for income by \$2,000 which will pay for wrap around insurance and insure us for July 2007 to July 2008. USATF didn’t have time to put it in their budget for next year. We need to put it in our budget for 2008.

Uniforms: John Murray said final word is Hat band on Straw Hat. The band is expected to cost \$12. Dick Connors moved to accept John Murray’s proposal of Light color straw hat with blue Hat band. Dick Iwamiya seconded. Discussion: Bruce Colman asked who would be distributor? George Kleeman said Rick Milam. Phil Watkins suggested that “Pacific Association” should be put on the other side (Right) of the hat band. Amendment accepted by Dick Connors. Motion: Should PAUSATF OFFICIALS COMMITTEE adopt as it’s official hat a Neutral Color Straw Hat with a Blue Band with lettering Pacific Association on the right side, USATF on the left side and the new USATF symbol in the center. Dick Connors called the question. In Favor: All. Against: None

Annual Meeting: Phil Watkins suggested that the annual meeting will be at UC Davis on August 26, 2007. Dick Connors moved that it be so. Dick Iwamiya seconded. Jon Siegel called the Question. In Favor: All, Against: None.

New Business:

Dick Connors reported that background test are in progress.

Dick Connors wants more stipends for travel and incidentals to the annual convention. Last year 3 at large members did not get a stipend. He wants more money to go to Hawaii but unfortunately, it is too late to put in Association budget. As of now

those receiving stipends are committee chairs and 2 representatives from Officials Committee.

2008 Officials clinics: Discussion led by George Kleeman

History: Clinics started about 1988. PAUSATF gives more clinics than any other association.

Issues that need discussion.

What are clinics for?

Need for formal training committee?

What do we need to do with level 1 clinics?

Scope of level 2 clinics for head of events, specific events details and rules changes.

General comments during the discussion by the board members and guests:

Sheehan: Wants level 1 to stay the same as it has been as a general introduction but with a second session the next January.

Connors: Curriculum control has been lost.

Hume: Level 2 is for expansion of general knowledge.

Kleeman: Level 1 test should be different and simpler than re-certification test.

Iwamiya: Do we know how many people take level 1 and become officials?

Watkins: In level 2 clinics there is not enough time for case studies.

Hume: Testing for level 1 has improved certifications. Re-certification test is to make official aware of different rules.

Connors: Reason for case studies was for interactions between students.

Boot: Suggested the possibility of splitting level 1 into two sessions, one day track and one day field events.

Watkins: Level 1 is for introduction to officiating.

Kleeman: Head of event course is needed before official can move up certification level.

Hume: Official should have to take specialty clinic in order to move up certification level.

Colman: Question is what is the use of the National or Masters certification to the average official.

Connors: Question of what prep time is all about (for the person organizing the clinic).

Kleeman: Preparing handouts, registration and accounting for all money paid or owed.

Sheehan: There is a problem with the background (officiating knowledge) of students signing up for level 2 clinics.

Connors: There should be more control over what is taught in the clinics by an administrator (?).

Kleeman: Issues: Who should handle re-certification clinics and tests?

Should we extend head of event clinic to a full day?

Should we have a higher level L-1 Clinic?

Specialty Clinics, should there be two levels, Intro and High Tech?

It was decided that the head of the Training Committee had the authority to form a sub-committee to advise him on these issues.

The sub-committee will consist of: Shirley Connors, Dick Connors, Jim Hume, George Kleeman, Jay Abbott, Dennis Boyle, Phil Leake, Leon Wimbly, Margaret Sheehan, Joe Hunter, and John Wise.

Dr. Leon Glover will be the new copy editor of "Turns & Distances."

Tabled was the question of how many books (High School, NCAA and USATF) to order and how much to charge for them. It was agreed that the association should not lose money on this item.

A general conversation followed on the Pacific Association Hall of Fame. The following names were mentioned:

George Kleeman
Sonny Maynard
Harmon Brown
Lori Maynard
Bob Bowman
Bill Bonano
Payton Jordan

Next meeting of the executive board of the PAUSATF officials committee was set for May 20, 2007 @ 2 PM at George Kleeman's house.

Motion to adjourn made by George Kleeman, seconded by Phil Watkins. In Favor, All, Against, None.

Meeting adjourned 4:05 PM.