

WSCCCA

Executive Board Meeting Minutes
Everett Holiday Inn January 18, 2008

Members Present: Joe Clark (president), Phil English (Vice President), Bruce McDowell (Treasurer), Doug Fulton (At Large)

1. Elections of board and advisory board; Joe reported that he had heard back from several advisory board members. We will need new members from District 4 and 6. A call for members to run was in the newsletter. Ballots will be created for February elections.
2. Scholarships: All Star Invitations go out this week. We will emphasize them on the web site. We discussed putting a message on Dyestat message boards directly. Patty could ask Kevin Eager to do this.
 - a. Joe will email the coaches to encourage participation in the race, scholarship process, and fund-raising. Joe will talk to Ty at Super Jock & Jill.
 - b. Jeff Sowards is sending follow-up letters to those who said they would donate.
 - c. We have not received funds from Seafair or Brooks for this year. Joe will follow up on that.
3. WIAA Hall of fame. Discussed a Banner above the coaches plaque. Agreed on "Cross Country Hall of Fame" as the title. Joe will contact Teresa with Wall dimensions. We need approximately \$2000 for plaques of already inducted members. Joe will contact WSCA on that. We will also ask Teresa Fisher for dimensions of wall at WIAA headquarters. We need to get the bio information and pictures. Perhaps board members can contact coaches directly.
4. East/West All Star Race
 - a. Coordinator David Miller (Bear Creek) was suggested as a possible coordinator.
 - b. Volunteers: We need more, particularly with the Run of the Mill Fund-raiser.
 - c. Perks, sponsors, and details (Joe will contact Ty and Brooks)
5. State Meet
 - a. Can we have input on the course?
 - b. Increase sanikans at start (doubled) and for spectators. Double the total. The sanikans are currently donated. With the budget available for the state meet, there simply needs to be a significant increase in the number of sanikans for athletes at the start, and for spectators.
 - c. Seriously consider a loop course. It would actually reduce the amount of time and materials for set up. Loop courses are also more spectator friendly, and easier for announcers as well.
 - d. The course needs to be designed with racing in mind, ie, reduce turns and make them wider/longer. The current course has too many tight turns, and flagging has been inadequate, particularly in the last 600 meters where there has been a runner going off course at least four times in the past 6 years. The course must be fully flagged. It should be measured again once

- all flagging is complete to ensure no changes were made inadvertently during course set-up.
- e. It would be beneficial to have a committee of coaches, meet staff, AD's and qualified persons formed to provide input on racing and the competitive aspects of the meet.
 - f. Could the Washington State Cross Country Coaches set up a registration table for members to join at the state meet?
 - g. Membership table to take money.
6. Hall of Fame and other awards: Joe find out who has traveling trophies and what plaques need to be on there. He will report to Phil as to how many we need to order.
 7. WSCA
 - a. We support the upcoming proposal by the WSCA to ask for plaques for the top 8 schools in all sports.
 - b. The All Star grants will apparently not be awarded until 2008 at the earliest. Joe will keep the board posted.
 8. Direction and Focus for 2008
 - a. All Star Race
 - b. Fund Raising: We need a plan. Follow up on Seafair and Brooks. Talk to Jeff Sowards about fund raising committee.
 - c. Continue to ask the membership for input on what they want to see from us.
 - d. Drive to increase membership.
 9. Doug's House: The pump house has been completed. Doug will not be doing any roofing. Projected completion date???