



Orienteeing USA
Board of Directors Meeting
Pleasanton, California
Saturday, March 19, 2016, 3:30–5:35 PM

Board members:

Kris Beecroft	not present
Charlie Bleau	not present
Pete Dady	not present
Donna Fluegel	not present
Bob Forgrave	present
Peter Goodwin	present
Greg Lennon	present
Pat Meehan	present via phone
Lou Pataki	not present
Tom Strat	present via phone
Lee Todd	present

Staff:

Glen Schorr	present via phone
Erin Schirm	present

Guests

Clare Durand, Mike Schuh, Tom Nolan, Ann and Dan Billman, Jon Torrance

Called to order at 3:30 PM

Previous meeting minutes were approved.

2015 Financial Update: There is some concern, as re-chartering fees are about \$13,000 below budget. Pat and Glen will discuss this issue in the coming week. The Iain Wilson Fund may move to a 501(c)3 on their own or other way to deal with the financing. Pat is working with others to make accounting and finances more transparent and understandable

Anniversary Fund monies to be used to fund new/small/mid-sized clubs. The goal is to increase the starts, and therefore, income in the long term. We also need to help share information about how to run web sites and other "operations" for clubs to make things easier for them. Often clubs don't just need money, they need help in other areas. Plan to be set by April 1. Future fund raising was also discussed.

Championship Bids for 2017:

Awarded 2017 *Individual (S/M/L) Championships* to CTOC on June 23-25, 2017.

Awarded 2017 *Classic Championships* to Quantico OC on November 11-12, 2017.

Athlete Travel Insurance is provided with teams paying expense after the cost was reduced to the approximate going rate with a donation. This plan is a comprehensive plan and required by OUSA Policy and IOF.

Board Member goals: Glen will contact board members about their duties/responsibilities next week. Measurements and timelines will be set by the board member for accomplishing goals where possible.

Land Use: Bob Forgrave presented an Environmental Kit for clubs to use to improve relationships with park land managers. It is usable now, including environmental ombudsman contact info, but will be extended later with memorandum of understanding (MOU) examples from various clubs as these become available. This information may be available online at a later date. How clubs can volunteer a park and be "friends of the park" was also discussed.

Starts data is now helping to predict income. Now using the 10 largest clubs' data that seems to indicate what income we will have.

Orienteer Development: As part of his job responsibilities, Erin Schirm is responsible for helping develop the sport at the base level which will ultimately increase the performance of our top athletes. The discussion of "fee for service" is deferred to the JTESC and they will come back to the Executive Committee to discuss the size of the fee. Also, regional training camps are now seen as better than national camps because of cost to junior families. The allocation of the Marathon money (money raised as a result of Peter Gagarin's 2015 Boston Marathon run) was discussed with the idea that there is flexibility in spending, meaning that if good projects become available, they should be funded, but there is also a need to have continuity of the program rather than having it done for one year and then fade away. The structure of the Interscholastics was also discussed, with possible changes highlighted.

Adjourned 5:35 PM

Future 2016 Meeting dates and locations:

- July 2 National Meet, Laramie, WY
- September 16–17 US Classic Champs, Ward Pound Ridge, NY
- September 17 OUSA Annual General Meeting, NY