

MINUTES for 2018 Southern League Fall Meeting
Sunday, October 7, 2018
Eric and Laurie Martin's Home
1821 NW Glassow
Bend, Oregon

Present:

Eric Martin – Mt. View head coach
Zach Webb – LaPine head coach
Charlie Wilshire (present by phone) – Head coach for Eugene teams
Sarah Swaney – Mt. View assistant coach and Parent Rep
Bill Martin – Mt. View assistant coach
Daren vom Steeg – LaPine assistant coach
Jinny Martin – League secretary

Absent:

Laurie Martin – Southern League Rep
Pete Reinhardt – Ashland head coach

A quorum was present

Eric Martin called the meeting to order at 3:35 pm.

1. PRELIMINARIES

Minutes from the Spring Meeting (June 17, 2018)

MOTION: Charlie W. moves to accept the minutes. Zach W. seconds.

VOTE: Unanimous approval.

Discussion: Review of tracking rules that were amended at Spring Steering Committee meeting.

Treasurer's Report:

MOTION: Charlie W. moves to accept the treasurer's report. Zach W. seconds.

VOTE: Unanimous approval.

Discussion:

- The \$10 Nordic Participation fee goes to the Nordic Division treasury – instead of to the leagues for the 2018-19 season. Reason: Steering Committee decided the Division account needed funds to balance the state meet budget.
- Balance in Southern League account roughly equals the planned expenditures approved at the June 17th Southern League meeting.

2. OLD BUSINESS

Race Schedules: Reviewed race schedules, noting there will be a JO qualifier at Mt. Bachelor on the weekend of the Rainbow Camp. JD Downing and Gene Hyde will not be able to help at the

Rainbow Camp. Eric M. will be contacting Matt Williams and Andy Fleming (from Summit) to recruit their help for the camp.

3. NEW BUSINESS

Discussion about the new school forms and new training requirements:

- Board of Directors changed the coaches registration fees so they now are: Certified Coaches' fee = \$20; Helper coaches' fee = \$10 Reason: needed the revenue to balance the OISRA budget with increased cost of adding more coaches' training courses and also for adding an administrative services provider to keep track of all coaches' training courses.
- Sarah S. raised questions about the EIN# on the club checking accounts – and what tax reporting obligations are associated with having that type of number. Jinny M. will explore this question and research the time limits on using an EIN# without designating a type of 501 (C) 3 organization the clubs must establish with the IRS.
- Sarah S. asked for clarification about Jenna's Law requirement that parents need to acknowledge reading a "parent fact sheet" about concussions.
[Post- meeting note: Jinny M. looked up Jenna's Law and the OISRA concussion policies. OISRA concussion policies (6.7.2) include the requirements of Jenna's Law – which is that parents whose students attend a private school, or participate in other youth sports organizations, must sign a "parent fact sheet" about concussions annually. OISRA requires ALL parents to sign that they have read the "parent fact sheet" when they are registering their student through the on-line registration policy. It is easier for OISRA to require ALL parents to acknowledge they have read this fact sheet – than it is to figure out exactly which parents need to sign this fact sheet.]
- As a response to taking the anti-hazing course, Sarah S. shared the importance of each team having an "anti-hazing" policy – and enforcing the anti-hazing policy would mean that the "team bonding nights" for the Mt. View team need to be discouraged or prohibited – and parents need to be made aware that these events encourage activities that are not acceptable.
- FERPA forms: The form states that the parents must submit the form to the school. However, the attorney said a team parent could collect the forms and take them to the school in a bundle to more efficiently handle getting these forms to the school.
- Deadline for students registering on-line is DECEMBER 7th. This deadline is because of the additional paperwork of handling the FERPA forms when getting the academic eligibility certificates processed. [Post Meeting information: The schools will receive the OISRA academic eligibility certificate forms on December 10th, and the school's deadline for responding to OISRA is December 14th. If the schools do not have a student's FERPA form by December 10th, the student will not be eligible to participate at that time.] **There is a \$25 late registration fee if a student is registering AFTER Dec. 7th.** This late fee is to accommodate late handling of paperwork with the school.

Support for LaPine Team

- Zach W. can ask JD for the \$400 grant money for trail fees.
- The Nordic Steering Committee can approve giving the LaPine team "start up" money of \$500.
- Mt. View will share their pool of rental equipment with LaPine students.
- LaPine students can train with Mt. View students on snow on Wednesdays and Saturdays.

- Sarah S. will share the organizational materials she prepares for Mt. View parents with Zach W. – the forms she uses for equipment rentals, uniforms, driving students, etc.
- OISRA does not insure vehicular travel, so OISRA does not have forms for parents to sign showing proof of auto insurance before they drive students to practices. Each team must use their own criteria for confirming that drivers have adequate auto insurance.
- Zach W. will need a type 10 driver's license to use any school district vehicles.
- Jinny M. will help Zach set up a checking account for the team.

Team Reports

- Eric M. has not yet had the team organizational meeting at Mt. View. Eric M. expects about 45-50 students, based on cross-country running team numbers. Micaela and Brandon and a new helper coach (Samantha – nicknamed "Bob") will be helping Eric, along with Sarah and Bill.
- Pete R. sent in the information that he has not yet had an organizational meeting at Ashland. He, Dan Thorndike, and Anne Carter are returning to coach – possibly Victoria Mayfield (an alumni), also will join them.
- Charlie W. is returning to coach because some parents have been asking him to continue providing the program. He is waiting to see how many students come forward as they get closer to the time when they need to get organized. Still has the frustrations of not having a facility for practicing indoors.
- Zach W. has a signed school form for LaPine – and he has a pretty firm commitment from 3 boys. He teaches at LaPine Middle School and has been going to LaPine high school cross-country running events to let kids know there will be a Nordic ski program at LaPine high school.
- Jinny M. contacted Skyline HS and Realms HS (two new charter high schools in Bend) to let them know that any interested students can train with Mt. View

Vote for new League Rep

MOTION: Zach W. moves to elect Sarah Swaney as the new Southern League Rep. Charlie W. seconds.

VOTE: unanimous approval.

Meeting ended at 4:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Jinny Martin

OISRA Nordic Southern League Secretary