

# **ATTENTION - CLUBS AND ATHLETES**

## **NEAC ANNUAL MEETING**

**Monday, September 17, 1990**

**7:00pm - 10:15pm**

**Wellesley College Athletic Facility**

**Off Route 135, Wellesley MA**

**Agenda will include:**

- ✓ Financial Report
- ✓ Sports Programs review and preview
- ✓ Officers' reports
- ✓ Changes to NEAC By-laws
- TAC Convention and Delegate election
- Elections of all officers and sports chairs
- ✓ Sports committee report packages will be distributed

**New Business topics may include:**

- Open Forum: Where do you want the sport to go in 1991?
- "Marathon Record" Rule explored
- TAC/USA's Restructuring

**Refreshments will be served**

**BE SURE YOUR CLUB IS REPRESENTED!!**

**To make nominations for officers and sports chairs, and for more information, contact the NEAC office (617) 566-7600**

NEW ENGLAND ATHLETICS CONGRESS

ANNUAL MEETING

MINUTES OF MEETING

September 17, 1990

The Annual Meeting of the New England Athletics Congress Convened at 7:30 pm on September 17, 1990 at the Wellesley College Sports Center, Wellesley, MA.

Governors in attendance: John Babington (President), Steve Vaitones (VP/Track & Field), Dan Dillon (VP/Cross Country), Marja Bakker (Secretary), Justin Kuo (Race Walking), Pete Stasz (Men's LDR), Barry Harwick (Athlete Representative), Kirk Randall (Masters), Ron Boemker (Youth).

NEAC Members in attendance: Mike Pieroni (NEAC administrative assistance), Gary Crowly, Martha Demany (GSH) - Dough Sweazy, John Fiola, Adam Chester, Robert O'Brien, Jan Samuelson, Philip Surette (BAA) - Bob Hodge (GLRR) - Courtney Bird, Carolyn Bird (Falmouth TC) - Frank Jackson (Boston Int. TC) - Sally Nicoll (Granite State RT) - Wayne Nicoll (NE Walkers) - Bill Clark (Commonwealth) - Joseph Busa (TriValley TC) - Tom Abbott (GFTC) - Edward Parrot, Margot Parrot (SMAC) - Phil Airoldi (Empire One RC) - Lou Ristaino, Henry Finch, Peter Brook (CSU) - Betsy Harshbarger, Marilyn Bright, Sandy Lovejoy (Liberty AC) - Brian Crowley (Taunton TC) - Edward Daniels (NH Tracksters) - John Hrone (Needham TC) - Sue Smith, Sherman Hart (unattached).

The meeting was called to order by John Babington. A quorum was determined with 13 clubs in attendance out of 70 dues paid clubs.

Roll call was taken and voting rights established.

John Babington provided background on the NEAC, the Regional

representative of the national governing body of the sports of athletics,  
TAC/USA.

P. Stasz questioned the number of votes allowed to GSH, based on the number of 1989 members. A motion was made recommending that GSH get 3 votes at the next quarterly meeting if applications in questions were dated no later than October 31, 1989. The matter was referred to the Membership Committee.

A financial report had been prepared by administrative assistant Mike Pieroni and was distributed.

Written reports had been prepared by all Sports Chairmen and were distributed. A question and answer session was referred to the end of the meeting, time permitting.

The change for the distance of the NEAC men's open cross country championship from 10km to 8km was discussed.

A motion was made and seconded to change the distance for the NEAC men's cross country championship from 10km to 8km. The votes tied, and the motion did not carry.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded it was voted:

to change the distance for the NEAC men's masters cross country championship to 8km.

There was a consensus that at the super cross country meet the adult races would be held after the Jr. Olympics, in the order determined by the race director.

Proposed amendments to the NEAC bylaws had been distributed. Items 12, 13 and 15 were pulled for discussion.

The President moved that all remaining items be accepted. The motion was seconded, and minor adjustments made in a friendly amendment. The motion then was accepted.

Upon discussion item 12 was amended to read: --- voting rights be based on the greater of the number of members on December 31 of the previous registration year or June 30 of the current registration year.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded item 12 was then accepted as amended.

Upon discussion item 13 was amended to read: --- shall not serve consecutively for more than two terms.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded item 13 was then accepted as amended.

Upon discussion item 15 was rejected.

Steve Vaitones presented an update on the state of the NEAC office and administration. New office space was being researched. Office procedures were being reviewed and an office procedures manual being developed. Search was ongoing for a new managing director.

It was made known that Guy Morse, Boston Marathon Race Director, through the Rules Committee, had filed an amendment to the Road Race Record Rule.

Ron Kohlhepp, Coach at Brown University, reported on a "Throwers" newsletter to be developed on regular basis. The newsletter would contain information on clinics, camps, results. Ron requested feedback on interest in such a newsletter. The NEAC offered to assist in making athletes aware of the newsletter through The Exchange Zone.

The President invited nominations for the various offices.

After nomination, upon a motion duly made and seconded Marja Bakker was elected to be president.

After nomination, upon a motion duly made and seconded Tom Derderian, Ed Parrot, and Jan Samuelson were elected to vice-presidents by a majority of votes.

A motion was made and seconded to make public the vote count for the vice-president positions. The motion was defeated.

After nomination, upon a motion duly made and seconded Dan Dillon was elected to be cross country chairman.

After nomination, upon a motion duly made and seconded Joe Busa was elected to be masters athletics chairman.

The by-laws did not allow for a separate women's masters chair, upon discussion Betsy Harshbarger was voted to hold that position without a vote on the Board.

After nomination, upon a motion duly made and seconded Doug Sweazy was elected to be treasurer.

After nomination, upon a motion duly made and seconded Gloria Ratti was elected to be secretary.

Nominations were requested for 7 membership committee members.

Nominated were: Carolyn Bird, Meredith Nelson, Pete Stasz, Wayne Nicoll, Dave Camire, Margot Parrot, and Henry Finch.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded the slate for the membership committee was elected as nominated.

After nomination, upon a motion duly made and seconded Steve Vaitones was elected to be track and field chairman.

After nomination, upon a motion duly made and seconded Lou Ristaino was elected to be men's LDR chairman by a majority of votes.

After nomination, upon a motion duly made and seconded Sue Smith was elected to be women's LDR chairperson.

After nomination, upon a motion duly made and seconded Justin Kuo was elected to be race walking chairman.

After nomination, upon a motion duly made and seconded Ron Boemker was elected to be youth chairman.

After nomination, upon a motion duly made and seconded Barry Harwick and Betsy Harshbarger were elected to be athlete representatives by a majority of votes.

Nominations were made for delegates to the TAC Convention. The following nominees were elected as delegates by a majority of votes: John Babington, Marja Bakker, Ron Boemker, Dan Dillon, Betsy Harshbarger, Barry Harwick, Justin Kuo, Kirk Randall, Lou Ristaino, Pete Stasz, and Steve Vaitones. Tom Derderian and Michael Pieroni were elected alternates.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 10:30 pm.

Marja Bakker  
Secretary