

USAT BOD Teleconference Call November 13, 2008
Minutes

At 6:02 pm MDT, Rob Kasper called the meeting to order.

In attendance:

Rob Kasper
Brian Harrington
Jeff Matlow
Joe Umphenour
Mike Greer
Eric Averill
Melissa Merson
Jim Donaldson
Celeste Callahan
Andy Kelsey
Skip Gilbert

Absent:

Mark Fretta

Resolution for Board Action

November 5, 2008

Subject: Increase the annual Club fee to \$50.

Background: The current club fee of \$25 is the lowest annual fee charged by any National Governing Body for their club memberships. The current fee has been in place for over a decade now, even though the club growth had quadrupled in that same time frame. The collegiate clubs are charged an annual fee of \$50.

Financial Impact: Club membership grew over 22% in 2008 to 633 member clubs. This generated \$18,600 in revenue. This revenue was not enough to cover the \$25,000 in grant dollars paid to clubs. If no additional clubs joined USAT in 2009 and assuming all clubs renew in 2009, USAT would increase revenues by \$13,050 with the \$50 fee per club in place.

Relevant and Affected Bylaws, Rules and Procedures:

7/25/86

Club fees reduced from \$50 to \$25, but all club members will pay \$15 membership dues instead of \$10 dues.

7/26/86

License fee remains at \$15 for 1987 assuming \$3 is for insurance. Should insurance be higher, fees will go up in increments of \$1.

License fees for members joining through a club are presently \$10. It was agreed that it should be \$15 for 1987. Club fees will be lowered, and additional benefits will be looked into. Insurance is presently the principal benefit.

10/13/95

Be it resolved that the 1995 fee structure of \$25 for Annual, \$22 for Club, \$15 for Youth (up to 18 years of age), and Single Event of \$5 be retained for the year 1996.

Eliminate \$3 Individual Discount on Annual Memberships for Registered Club Members

2/21/97

Be it resolved that the Board continue the authorized club membership discount program through 1997 at \$22.00 per member in order to foster club activity. In conjunction with this the Club Committee will prepare a letter to all identified clubs to reintroduce USA Triathlon and affiliation including notation that:

- an offer of \$22.00 discounted annual membership exists,
- changes in club guidelines will be forthcoming, and
- receipts for club members prior club dues payment is requested at time of individuals' applications to USAT.

Be it Resolved USAT will eliminate the \$3 individual discount on annual memberships to club members.

Whereas, USAT is increasing club grant funding from \$25,000 to \$30,000 in 2009;

Whereas, USAT currently uses two registration forms because of the difference in fees between standard and collegiate clubs;

Whereas, other inherent club costs are not covered by the existing \$25 club cost;

Whereas, USAT has not had a fee increase commensurate with the growth of the club program;

Whereas, USAT is currently operating with two different fees in place;

Now therefore be it resolved, That the annual club fee for all non-collegiate USAT clubs be raised to \$50;

That, clubs with less than five members be assessed a charge of \$10 per person up to the first four members.

Submitted by: Jim Donaldson

Jim Donaldson motioned, Eric Averill seconded, to accept the resolution to increase the annual Club fee to \$50.

Motion passed.

At 6:17 pm MDT the Board went into Executive Session.