

Annual Nor-Cal Coaches Meeting Minutes

Saturday, 20 August- Fresno City College

10:17am: Meeting called to order by Nor-Cal T&F Chair Joe Mangan

- **Acknowledgment of retiring coaches:**

- **Ross Brosius** of Lassen College - for his leadership and contributions to the association
- **Steve Haas** of San José City - successful coach and meet director who will step down from coaching at the end of this cross country season.
- **Dr. Proverb Jacobs** of Laney College - who successfully coached for many years and recently was instrumental in the reinstatement of Women's T&F at the college after a long absence.
- **Curtiss Smith** of Cabrillo College, the College of San Mateo, and most recently De Anza College. A well-respected coach, Curtiss also served for many years on the Nor-Cal Rules Committee as a representative of the Coast Conference.

- **Announcement of new coaches:**

- **Curtis Taylor** – Full time at Laney College for Women's track and field
- **Greg Gatlin** – Full time at Siskiyou for track and field
- **Tony O'Geen** – Re-establishing Columbia College XC after nearly a twenty year hiatus
- **Joe Neff** (*retired Sac. State coach*) Re-establishing Sierra Women's XC after a two year hiatus
- **Gene Neeley**, Long time assistant at San José City College will move into the head position with the retirement of Steve Haas

Shasta College Full-time position re-opens: Interim coach Pete Giachetti announced that the full time XC-T&F positions will reopen at Shasta for the 06/07 season. Contact Pete at pgiachetti@shastacollege.edu for further information.

- **Program changes:**

- Columbia College has re-instated M/W Cross Country, Sierra has re-instated Wm's Cross Country
- Lassen and Yuba have dropped Cross County
- Acknowledgement of **CCSF** and **Sacramento CC** for their first place team finishes in the men's and women's 2005 Track & Field Championships. Head coaches **Sean Laughlin** and **Lisa Bauduin** were also recipients of the 5CTCA 'Coach of the Year Award' for their respective programs.
- **Nor-Cal Treasurer's report:** Treasurer Sean Laughlin reported the Nor-Cal account stood at \$3112.59 with no outstanding debts. Eighty percent of schools have paid their dues. The Nor-Cal Rules Committee contributed \$500.00 to the PAUSATF Officials Committee in appreciation for their service to our meets throughout the year.

New Items:

1. **Reconferencing:** With the creation of the 'Big 7' conference (*see accompanying reconferencing sheet*) both the BVC and GVC will be hosted by the Big 7 for cross country season, while the BVC will remain with the Big 7 for T&F.

Bluth noted that there may only be two complete women's cross country teams in the CVC, and reiterated the need for COA reconferencing based on sports.

2. **2005 season review:**

- a. **Decorum:** Discussion on coaches taking more responsibility for athlete's action.

It was suggested by Bluth and agreed that at each conference's 'preview' or opening meet that Conference Reps. review COA and Nor-Cal by-laws concerning decorum.

The following by-law proposal was offered by Shaw, seconded by Cruz, stated that “All Nor-Cal meets shall include a decorum committee designated by the host school to enforce COA and NCAA decorum guidelines. The committee, and officials whom they designate, shall utilize yellow and red cards to acknowledge infractions.” This motion passed 12-1.

Shaw will provide Mangan with info. printed on the yellow and red cards utilized at the *Ed Adams Invitational*.

- b. **Nor-Cal Trials at Merritt:** Due to 4x100m relay concerns, in the future the Meet Referee will attempt to assign personnel from neutral schools to act as relay exchange zone judges.
- c. **Nor-Cal Finals at Modesto:** Anderson reiterated his concern that the 5,000m be included in the schedule to mirror the state meet schedule.
Shea asked Mangan if MJC A.D. Kaiser had contacted him regarding concerns of the Nor-Cal T&F Championships being held at MJC. Mangan replied that he had not heard from Kaiser but would be happy to discuss any MJC concerns.

3. Additions or changes to 2005 Cross Country and 2006 T&F schedules:

- a. **Schedule adjustments and additions** were made to the accompanying schedules which are also posted on www.norcalstat.com.
- b. **Rotational Schedule:** Dan Cruz presented a Nor-Cal rotational schedule that was adopted 16-0.
- c. **Nor-Cal Standards:** Joe Mangan reviewed and with committee input made adjustments to 2006 Nor-Cal standards which were approved and have been posted on www.norcalstat.com
- d. Mangan reminded coaches that the **maximum number of T&F contests** for the 2006 season has been increased from twelve (12) to fourteen (14) contests including conference meets.
- e. **The Nor-Cal Cross Country at-large Sub-Committee** to determine at-large qualifiers to the state meet for the 2005 season will be: Dave Bronzan (CVC), Dan Cruz (Big7), Gary Shaw (CC), Pete Giachetti (GVC) and Cross Country Chair Gary Bluth.

4. 2006-08 post season site designation:

Competition	2006	2007	2008
Cross Country Champs	Toro Pk-Hartnell	tba (<i>Jan. 06</i>)	tba
Combined Champs	San Mateo	Santa Rosa	Fresno
Nor-Cal Trials	San Mateo	Merritt	tba
Nor-Cal Finals	Modesto	Modesto	Modesto
State T&F Champs	Bakersfield	San Mateo	Cerritos

- 5. **Determination of Fall Conference Reps. Meeting:** In discussion with Nor-Cal Reps., the Rules Committee shall abstain from the traditional fall meeting, and set the next regional meeting for February of 2006. Coaches and Reps. are advised that if substantial issues develop that a meeting can be called.

6. Discussion of general meeting agenda items: none

12:33pm: Meeting adjourned

Minutes respectfully submitted by Nor-Cal secretary Dave Shrock