

**USAT Mideast Region Council
Conference Call
Thursday, May 2nd, 2013
9:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. EST**

Presiding: Jim Weaver

Present: Lesley Kruzel Robert Takla Jeff Grady Lawrence Giannetti
Rosalyn Popham Drew Heintz Michael Wendorf

Minutes: Michelle C Harter

Absent: Greg Mueller Keri Schindler Melissa Stockwell
Hayley Braun Graham Wilson

ACTION ITEMS SUMMARY

Task	Responsible	BY (if applicable)
SQ 2014 Race Bid Committee to revise Race Bid Application to streamline information and address compliance efficiently.	Lesley, Robert, Jim, Michelle	June 1

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Called to Order 9:00 p.m. EST

Opening Remarks- Jim

- Provided update on the Race Director, Colleen Klein, who is hosting our Regional Du Sprint Championship, Dri-Shark.
- Colleen initially had hired Bill Tough who is no longer with the USAT organization for the Dri-Shark race. Per MOU requirements, USAT officials are to be used for our Regional Events.
- Colleen is in process of securing USAT officials and has offered to be an advocate of the Council to guide other RD's in the benefits of securing USAT officials versus self-officiating.
- Council was reminded to maintain open communication with Regional RD's to alleviate concerns or answer questions.
- Suggestion made to reinforce communication to athletes to verify races as being USAT sanctioned when registering for events.

ROC - Rosalyn

- The status of the ROC budget proposal was raised.
- Rosalyn will be revising to re-propose to the Council for approval.

Administrative Updates-Michelle

Council Support at Regional Events

- Lawrence will be attending our Du Champs, June 1st, at Dri-Shark to assist the RD and distribute Regional Awards.
- Jeff will be setting up a Mideast Council booth on Saturday at Leon's Tri. Jim and Lawrence will be attending Leon's Tri, Sunday, June 2nd, to provide assistance and distribute the AGN tshirts.

Polos

- We are shooting to have polos shipped out to you prior to June 1st.

Youth Grants

- All but one organization have submitted their paperwork to receive funds. Those checks will be issued this month.

MERCERS

- We have **14** Clubs registered so far for our Club Racing Series. Four are new to the Series. This is a good running start.

Ann Arbor, ATCK, FAST, Lansing, Real Women, Team Fraser, Team ATP – MI
Crush, Team Tri Smart – IL
NWI, Tri Nasti, Terre Haute Tri Club – IN
Team Toledo, Tri Columbus – OH

Mideast Rankings

- National will now be providing us data each quarter for Rankings segmented by Region.

USAT Magazine

- Our next article will be covering our first Regional Paratri Championships in Chicago, Aug 25th. Issues will be delivered to members mid-July.

Newsletter

- Our Regional Newsletter will be distributed this month, covering our 2013 Regional Events. Any news or announcements you would like included, email me asap.

Website

- We are just about done cleaning up and refreshing the website for 2013. Drew has updated the admin application that we use to manage the content and is working on configuring photos to be added.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:45 pm EST