

**USAT Mideast Region Council
Conference Call
Thursday, September 1st, 2011
9:00 – 10:00 pm EST**

Presiding: Jim Weaver

**Present: Lawrence Giannetti Jenn Finn Lesley Kruzel
 Kevin Smeltzer Bill Tough**

Minutes: Michelle C Harter

**Absent: Greg Mueller Tom Nagel Michael Wendorf Keri Schindler
 Jeff Grady Casey Hill Kelly Wissolik**

ACTION ITEMS SUMMARY

Task	Responsible	BY (if applicable)
Communicate to Steve Tomboni the awards and recognition plan at the Powerman Regional Du championships.	Michelle	09/06
Call to vote on participation award for MERCERS participants.	Michelle	09/07
Determine face to face meeting location and date.	All	09/9

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Called to Order 9:06 p.m. EST

Race Director Consortium Meeting - Bill

- December 3rd, Chicago, Four Points Hotel, will be the first Mideast Regional Race Director Meeting. The purpose of this meeting will be to build a network, cohesiveness, and sharing of ideas among the RD's in our Region and between the Council and the RD's.
- Expecting 30-50 people. Strong interest evident already.
- 4 CEU credits will be offered for certified RD's in attendance.
- Discussion on opening up to all RD's nationally since CEU's available. Council in favor of keeping the seminar regional unless the registration is low. If low numbers, then seminar will be opened nationally.

Powerman Mideast Regional Du Championships - Lawrence

- Regional Du Champs are October 1st. It is not a qualifier for Duathlon Nationals.
- Three distances offered: Sprint, International, and Powerman.
- Council will provide vests to Overall M/F, Masters M/F in each distance. Age group division and regional residents only. Elite excluded. Certificates for OA M/F, Masters M/F, and Age Group Regional resident winners. Finisher certificates available for all athletes online.

- Lawrence, Jenn, Jim, and Kevin will be in attendance. Jim will be the primary point of contact representing the Council. This year we need to be certain that it is clear who is and is not Elite division to ensure proper distribution of awards.

Budget Update – Jim

- Admin funds from National will run out by early November.
- Sufficient funds available in the Region's budget to pay Admin through the end of the year.
- Call to vote to reallocate budget money to fund the Admin position through the end of the year once National funds run out.
All in favor. None opposed.

Sylvania/MERCERS - Lesley

- Only challenge at Sylvania was distribution of t-shirts. Many left over. Suggestion to make shirts in the future generic with no date so they are reused in future years.
- Discussion about donating leftover shirts to an organization.
- MERCERS – we have funds left over to give a participation award to MERCERS participants that do not receive a prize payout. Call to vote needed via email to Council.
- Left over swag bags from Sylvania will be handed out at Du Champs.

Face to Face Meeting - Jim

- Chicago and Ft Wayne discussed as options for next face to face meeting. Nov 5 or 12th are the date options.
- Email to be sent to group to decide.

Meeting Adjourned at 10:06 pm EST