### Minutes of the OISRAN Southern League Spring Meeting

The Southern League met on May 11, 2023.

The meeting was held over Zoom.

The voting members present for the meeting were Eric Martin (Mt. View, Eugene, and La Pine), Pete Reinhardt (Ashland), Brian Dumais (Caldera), and Sarah Swaney (League President).

Other persons present were David Munson (OISRAN Executive Director and Southern League Race Coordinator) and Virginia Martin (Jinny) Martin (Southern League Secretary).

A quorum was present because there were 5 active high school teams in the Southern League in 2022-23 and a representative for each was present.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm.

#### LEAGUE RESOLUTIONS AND ACTIONS

- 1. <u>Minutes of the Previous Meeting</u>: The following motion was made, seconded, and passed:
  - RESOLVED to approve the minutes from the October 12, 2022 meeting.
- 2. <u>Financial Report</u>: The following motion was made, seconded, and passed: RESOLVED to approve the financial report as presented.
- 3. <u>Medical Expenses, Paintball Marker Restoration, and New Small Clam Tent:</u> Motions ware made, seconded, and passed to approve the following expenses:
  - Up to \$200 for Paintball marker restoration
  - Up to \$175 for replenishing medical supplies
  - Up to \$500 for a new, small Clam tent to be used for medical

#### **DISCUSSIONS:**

- 1. <u>Board Decisions at the May 8<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting.</u> Brian is only one who was not at the Board meeting, so to bring him up to date, Sarah led a brief review of Board decisions
  - Brian acknowledged he had read the changes to OISRAN Policies and Race Rules and had no questions.
  - Jinny will be writing "Instructional Quizzes" to help coaches learn OISRAN rules
    - Goal is to keep quizzes 10-15 minutes long suggestion that making 2 short quizzes for the Policies could help meet the goal of having short quizzes.
  - Board is still looking for an Administrative Services person.
  - Dates for 2024 State Championships are set for Feb. 23 -24; XC Invitational is Jan. 20
- 2. <u>Inquiry from Mt. Bachelor</u> for OISRAN to 1) consider a Thursday-Friday schedule for the State Championships and 2) consider staging state championship races out of Emil's Landing. Mt. Bachelor was not saying the high school could not continue using the format and locations they have used. They were asking if we had thought about the other options. General response was "Yes, we have talked about other options in the past, and there are a lot of negatives." Sarah asked for feedback so she could respond to JD Downing, the person who is communicating with Mt. Bachelor:

- For Ashland, it would be very challenging to get another day off school.-already hard to get one day off. Using Martin stadium works well for spectators, compared to dropping down to Emil's.
- For volunteer coordinator, all race help are volunteers, and it's hard for them to get another day off work.
- Having the soccer field for team tents being separate from the stadium is a convenience that does not work as well at Emil's.
- Biggest negative for the Saturday race is parking. If it is a good day for alpine skiing, it's hard to find parking. One suggestion to minimize this problem is to consider having the race start time 30 minutes earlier. Waxing for a classic race is easier when the snow is colder so an earlier start time would work for waxing. Everyone is in town, so it means everyone gets up earlier.
- 3. <u>Team Reports</u>: Generally, everyone had a good season.

  <u>Recruiting</u>: Team members are recruiting to get more boys at Caldera and Ashland. Mt. View has some team members from sports other than cross-country running who are helping expand recruiting beyond track and running athletes. At La Pine and Mt. View, Sarah has been working with Yearbook advisors to get space in the Yearbook, and Brian will be contacting the Yearbook advisor at Caldera.

<u>New Uniforms</u>: Ashland got new uniforms, and Caldera plans to get uniforms next season.

<u>Equipment</u>: Mt. View has invested in more equipment and got good donations of equipment.

- 4. <u>Race formats, venues, and race sponsors.</u> Set up a tentative schedule, which will be posted on the website after everything is confirmed by Dave. Need two more race sponsors (\$400 each). See Appendix A.
- 5. Race food. Ashland will continue to provide food for the race at Mt. Shasta. Mt. View does not have parents who are willing to provide food at the races. Brian will look into getting cold food (grab and go) from New York City Sub Shop to take to races at Meissner and/or Hoodoo to help support the traveling teams.
- 6. <u>Chief Calculator.</u> Still looking for a Chief Calculator for next season. Jinny will contact David Tranby and find out if there are ways he might help with support from other people. Sarah will contact professors at OSU to see if we might be able to recruit computer students for an internship or work experience.
- 7. Oregon Nordic Club Scholarships: Feedback from coaches led to the conclusion that it might be a good idea for the ONC to support the high school skiers by providing team grants, instead of individual scholarships. Team grants could help smaller teams outside of Central Oregon reduce their team fees. Students on these teams are the ones who are most likely to drop out because of costs, and the \$75 individual scholarships do not significantly help reduce the \$400 individual team fees these students must pay.
- 8. <u>Sponsors for the State Championships</u>: Still need more sponsors to cover expenses. The sponsors' contributions in 2023 did not cover the expenses for the event.

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Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

## Appendix A

# <u>Tentative</u> 2023-24 Southern League Event/Race Schedule – confirmed dates, locations, sponsors in bold

Date	Time	Event	Sponsor/Notes
Sat./Sun.	10 am – 2 pm	Rainbow Camp@ Meissner	
Dec. 16-17, 2024	w/lunch break	Classic Sat./Skate & Biathlon Sun.	
Sat. Jan. 6, 2024	12 pm	Jamboree @ Diamond Lake Central Oregon	
		Pursuit, Classic, and Skate	Nordic Club
Sat. Jan. 13, 2024	TBA	Diamond Lake	Natural Approach
		Skate, Interval Start	Chiropractic
		(So. Diamond Lake SnoPark)	
Sat. Jan. 20, 2024	11:00 am	XC Invitational @ Mt. Bachelor	XC Oregon
		Skate, Interval Start	
Sat. Jan. 27, 2024	11:00 am	Hoodoo – Classic 5K, Interval Start	Guy Mattioda Fund
		Paintball – Skate 1.5 K, Interval Start	
Sat. Feb. 3, 2024	11:00 am	Mt. Shasta – Skate, Interval Start	?
Sat. Feb. 10, 2024	10:00 am	Meissner – Classic, Interval Start	,
Sat. Feb. 17, 2024	OPEN – Bye week		
Fri. Feb. 23, 2024	Friday 2:00 pm	State Meet @ Mt. Bachelor	Possibly have an
Sat. Feb. 24, 2024	Saturday 10:00 am	Friday – Skate, mass start	earlier start to help
		Saturday – Classic, interval start	with traffic issues
		Saturday - Relay (CL, FS, FS)	