

South Carolina Track and Cross Country Coaches Association
SC High School League Office
Minutes January 14, 2012
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- 10:18 – President Eric Cummings (Riverside) Called the meeting to order and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. He then introduce all of the SCTCCCA Officers – 1A Vice President Rodney Adamee (Christ Church), 2A Vice President John Jarvis (Eau Claire, 3A Vice President Michael Steward (Lower Richland), 4A Vice President Jeff Buys (Dorman), and Secretary/Treasurer Ed Boehmke (Eastside).
- 10:20 – Ed Boehmke gave a treasurers report and minutes from the July 2011 meeting. Danny Brooks (Dreher made a motion to accept both. There was a second and the motion carried unanimously.
- 10:23 – John Jarvis announced the Girls Cross Country Runner of the Year as Meredith Kilburn of Fort Mill. Meredith had a time of 18:10 at the State Championships. The trophy was accepted by Ed Harmon, who will have it presented at a future school function.
Michael Steward announced the Boys Cross Country Runner of the Year as Roland Hakes of Dutch Fork. Roland had a time of 15:10 at the State Championships. The trophy was accepted by Barry Lindler, who will have it presented at a future school function.
- 10:25 – The Cross Country Coach of the Year Awards were given out -
Jeff Buys gave the 4A Girls COY Award to Marie Domin of Wando (not present) and the 4A Boys COY to Bailey Harris of Lexington. Michael Steward gave the 3A Girls COY to Ed Boehmke of Eastside and the 3A Boys COY to Rick Zeller of Wade Hampton. John Jarvis gave the 2A Girls COY to Pam Wheeler of Pendleton (not present) and the 2A Boys COY to Tony Colizzi of Bishop England. Eric Cummings gave the 1A Girls COY to Marie Kernell of St. Joseph's (not present) and the 1A Boys COY to Rodney Adamee of Christ Church.
- 10:27 – President Cummings announced the Assistant Cross Country Coach of the Year as Travis Alexander of Eastside High School. Travis will have a plaque presented to him at a future school function.
- 10:28 - President Cummings recognized Danny Brooks and John Jones to announce the SCTCCCA spring 2012 Hall of Fame inductees. Brooks announced Lower Richland Coach Mike Steward and Jones announced Spring Valley assistant coach Rick Crumpler as our two new inductees. These two gentlemen will be recognized in a ceremony during the Coaches Classic Track Meet in March.
- 10:30 – President Cummings told the group to make sure that you are on the SCTCCCA email list run by Jeff Buys. If you are not getting emails from us, please email Jeff at BuysJS@Spart6.org and ask him to add you to the list.
- 10:31 – President Cummings gave a report from the 2011 Shrine Bowl Run. He announced that the 2012 Assistant/ 2013 Head Shrine Bowl Coach will be selected at our July meeting.
- 10:32 – Ed Boehmke went through the 2012 track meet calendar and allowed meet directors to make a short statement about their event. The entire calendar can be found at SCRrunners.com.
- 10:50 – John Olson of SCRrunners made a few statement about his website and asked the coaches for help in the following – 1) If you use a computer program for a track meet and want the results published on SCRrunners, please send John the results in a flat HTML format. This will allow all of the results to go straight into the database. 2) The track computer program Race Tab is FREE for your use. 3)

SCRrunners has an online entry service for a small fee. All Region Meet Directors are encouraged to use this service and it will be offered FREE for the Region Meet (for State Qualifying) only. Use your school email account when asking for this service. 4) Parts of SCRrunners are locked for subscribers only. John said for a group of 10 or so from the same school will be given a discount. 5) John would like to have any ideas for stories about programs or athletes that he could do for publication on SCRrunners.

- 10:54 – President Cummings asked that any coach who wants to officiate a field event (for pay) at the State Track Meet should email him your preference of event and classification as soon as possible. Events will be assigned on a first come first assigned basis. He also said that officiating at the Coaches Classic is mandatory. Email him preferences and/or he will assign schools to an event.
- 10:58 – Danny Brooks asked everyone to make sure to apply for the Herlong Scholarship offered by the SC Athletic Coaches Association (SCACA) for you college age children, Bob Jenkins made a motion for our group to increase our contribution to \$2500. John Jones seconded the motion and it unanimously passed. A point of order was asked about our constitution on this matter. John Jones then made a motion that our constitution be changed to show the amount to the scholarship program show that we could give up \$2500. It was seconded by Danny Brooks and passed unanimously, which (even though out of order) makes the previous proposal legal.
- 11:04 – John Jones made a proposal that by the 2013 track and field season each school must have a certified official as recognized by the National Federation. Seconded by Shawn Hawkins of Eastside. There was a lot of discussion on this. The vote was unanimous.
- 11:23 – President Cummings announced that the SCHSL has finally passed that for all State T&F meet series (Region, state qualifying, Upper/Lower State and State Meets) that there will be a 3-turn stagger for the 2013 season.
- 11:24 – There was a big discussion about the SCHSL's inability to explain to us why Indoor Track has been turned down again. Proposal was made again for us to have "Polar Bear" meets and an open State Championship for individuals. The proposal passed unanimously. Bob Jenkins will be our spokesman to the league.
- 11:30 – Jeff Buys discussed the new All-State criteria adopted last year. This proposal has the winner from each classification and anyone who exceeds a performance standard. Jeff proposed that we continue this for another year. Mike Steward seconded. Passed 61 – 1.
- 11:36 – President Cummings explained the debt occurred by our organization from the past school year. Holding the state meets have cost us in excess of \$5000 over what the SCHSL is giving us. Most of this is occurred during track. He is working with the SCHSL to correct this.
- 11:40 – Bob Davis (Liberty) proposed that SCTCCCA start an All-Star Track Team Meet. It was seconded by Alan Dunson (Bluffton). A lot of great, very favorable discussion. The group decided to table the proposal and asked Bob to meet with Calvin Hudgins (Northwestern) to get a date, facility and other information by the summer clinic.
- 11:49 – John Blackburn discussed the NSSF events.
- 12:00 – 4A coaches discussed three possible proposals for qualifying to the State Cross Country Meet. The first was proposed by Eric Cummings and seconded by Rick Zeller. The proposal called for 24 teams to qualify in three meets but was defeated 8 – 23. The second proposal came from Rick Zeller and seconded by Patrick Kelly (Blythwood). This proposal called for 20 teams to qualify 8 in the Upper

State Meet, 7 in the Middle State and 5 in the Lower State. This one passed 25 – 12.

12:18 – Danny Brooks proposed that our Association recognize any athlete that wins an event in the State Track Meet for four consecutive years. It was seconded by Calvin Hudgins. It passed unanimously.

12:20 – Bob Jenkins talked about the USA Track Coaches Association. He has worked out a group deal of \$10 per coach (payable at this meeting). He proposed that the SCTCCCA pay for those present at today's meeting. It was seconded by John Jones. After some discussion it was tabled for more information. Bob then asked for any coach who would like to join to personally pay him \$10 and he would get you signed up. The membership comes with a great coaches magazine.

12:25 – President Cummings closed the meeting with three things 1) There are new academic standards for college bound athletes 2) All forms for COY and HOF are on the webpage and we need nominations 3) All proposals passed today that have to go to the SCHSL needs support from our principals and athletic directors. Please go back to your schools and discuss all of these with them and encourage them to vote with us.