

**AOOEC Conference Call
Sunday February 8, 2015
Executive Summary**

In attendance:	Peter Hocking	Jacquie Downing	Tim Slocombe
	Sherry Purdie	Ian Reid	Rene Van Andel
	Cameal Johnson		

The meeting began at approximately 8:00pm.

1. Membership

Membership issues were discussed, including a few letters of complaint regarding officials. Contents and actions resulting from the discussions are to be kept confidential due to privacy concerns.

2. Accommodation questions

Because of some miscommunications regarding accommodation for the AO Youth/Senior meet, the policy must be clarified. The policy on travel and accommodation will be mentioned in a newsletter when sending out availability requests.

3. Registration - unregistered officials and out-of-province officials

There was an inquiry as to whether AO should accept a registration for an individual who checked that they have a criminal conviction on the Offence Declaration.

Reference was made to the AO policy dated in 2003, page 16, with respect to screening. The policy also stated that Officials are required to complete only an Offence Declaration, not a Police record Check.

It was suggested further that a link to the Terms of Reference should be part of the welcome letter and provided to all Officials.

A question was raised with respect to how long the names of Officials on the list of Officials by Discipline and Level should be kept. This document is different from our registration list on Trackie which is constantly updated as officials register throughout the year. Some officials on the list of Discipline and Level do not register at all but are actively officiating at meets. This item deserves further thought and will be discussed at a later date.

There are a few officials who reside outside of Ontario who would like to register as AO Officials. Reference was made to the Athletics Canada bylaws to determine if we accept out-of-province registrations.

4 NOC Travel

An email sent by Keith Newell from NOC, was forwarded to the AOOEC prior to the meeting for discussion.

The AOOEC agreed that we prefer to stay with the old system of travel assistance to National Championships only and not for Athletics Canada to cut our travel budget.

5. Other new business

Pan Ams

Formal letters from Pan Ams have not gone out yet. Officials who accepted AO's earlier invitation should also accept the formal Pan Am invitation as well.

There has been no news with respect to travel and accommodation for the Pan Am Games.

Approximately 95% of active Officials will be a part of the event. New officials will be used as minor officials/volunteers for the Games.

Complaints

A confidential database has been kept of complaints made on any official, including reoccurrences.

6. Directors' reports

Tim Slocombe – Vice Chair

Registrations are up-to-date as of Wednesday February 4, 2015.

There were no other directors' reports at this time.

Meeting ended at 9:18 pm

Minutes prepared by Cameal Johnson