



Technical Committee Report November 2021

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Summary

The technical committee had one meeting this year and numerous non-formal discussions via email and phone calls through the 2020 – 2021 season. Our priorities were to review and recommend venue requirements for the Ontario Summer Games, ratify pending records, and discuss record accomplishments during the pandemic. The committee has also have finalized recommendations for the restructuring of Athletics Ontario's Policies and Procedures for Provincial Championships.

Issues

Meeting Issues

- Officials present at sanctioned competitions may not have had the appropriate experience level to sign off on record applications. Discussion on record applications to be held with officials townhall.
- Minor adjustments to championship policy and procedure restructure. Additional changes to new U8, U10, U12 event offerings and scoring rules for championship banners
- Introduction of U8, U10, U12 records and masters' records by Athletics Ontario. And review of event offerings at Rising Stars Festival competitions.

Specific Duties

The Competitions Committee shall:

- Establish the annual fixtures list for championships in consultation with the Technical Committee.
- Be responsible for the non-technical aspects of the Bid Application for the hosting of AO Championships.

- Ensure that consistent operating procedures are adhered to with respect to the meet management as outlined in the Policies and Procedures Document.
- Recommend to the Finance Committee, amendments to the Hosting Agreements, as appropriate.
- Ensure that the Hosting Agreements are delivered to the HOC and retained at the AO office.
- Establish and implement regular evaluation of AO Championships, through both committee evaluation tools and membership surveys.
- Evaluate and monitor the effectiveness of sanctioned competitions in meeting the Athletics Ontario Development and High-Performance objectives.
- Review reports and surveys for Championship meets and determine the implications for future planning and coordination of these meets.
- Provide post summary report to HOC's outlining successes and areas for improvement.
- Evaluate, identify, or monitor those activities and areas, which currently (or have the potential to) pose significant risks to the association.
- Recommend measures for the board, as required, on associated policies or procedures that will assist in avoiding or controlling association risks.

Near-Term Plans

The committee will be looking at adjusting championship requirements for developmental age groups, U8, U10, U12, U14 and the event discipline rules behind them. Clubs have sent recommendations for updates to club scoring which the committee will need to review and potentially consider for updates to club scoring. Discussions on the Ontario Track and Field League to continue and to bring a recommendation forward ahead of the summer 2022 season.

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