

**Minutes:** 2-6-20

**Meeting began at:** 12:12pm

34 present

**Welcome:** Rick Sluder

**Introductions:** All Coaches

**Minutes from December Meeting:** December Online

**Financial Report-** Thomas Crum: \$62,113.30 currently in account (essentially all pre-clinic numbers). XC All-Stars has been paid (spent about \$4,700 on the XC ALL-Star meet). \$24,000 currently in our Pay Pal account. Hotel cost for audio/visual continues to go up (we provide a lot and cost is still around \$14,000 this year). Regular hotel costs remain the same (2-year contract). We have 145 people for Hall of Fame tickets (we weren't going to hit the food-and-beverage minimum, so we spent a little more on Thursday night's coaches social). Treasurer Thomas Crum looking for someone to help categorize the money spent and received in our accounts (Julie Alano will help Crum with this). From Rick Sluder: Make sure to sent information to identify expenses to Thomas Crum. By May, we could organize expenses from the clinic, then move on to All-Stars expenses, etc.

**President's Report-** Rick Sluder has been talking to Paul Neidig about some possible tournament changes. There were 395 schools assigned to a sectional. Only 81% of schools on the boys side actually filled a five-man team (every sectional but two had at least one school not field all team). There could be 2,765 boys participating in XC, but only 2,314 competed in the tournament (because of schools not fielding teams of at least five runners). Girls only 67% of schools field a five person team. There could be 2,765 girls participating in XC, but only 1,992 competed in the tournament (because of schools not fielding teams of at least five runners). Looking for people willing to form a committee to discuss ways to increase participation. What can we do at member schools to increase participation? And what can we do to lobby the IHSAA?

**Membership and Technology:** This afternoon at the large meeting, Julie Alano will preview a new plug-in on the website to more easily place an ad on the website (coaching openings, meets, lost & found, pole vault pole exchange, etc.). Contact Alano with any issues regarding registering.

**Midwest Meet Information:** The XC All-Stars was same day as Nike meet this year. The girls went and dominated the meet (placed 7 of the top 10 in the meet). Always looking to plug the meet to seniors each year.

**Midwest Meet Information:** Coming to IWU in 2022; looking for more sponsors. We have the dates for 2022 and 2023.

**This Year's Track Clinic:** 305 sign-ins Thursday night, and 418 Friday morning. 723 have shown up of 797 pre-registered. There were 20 on-site registrations, meaning 817 total registered. 74 have not checked in as of lunch. Only missing 18 payments (basically 800 paid)

**HSR Finals:** Terry Lakes will talk at the main meeting about HSR. Same meet hotel (Holiday Inn and/or Springhill Suites); qualifying meets March 2<sup>nd</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>. HSR meet date is March 28, 2020, with small schools first (10:00am) and large schools second (4:00pm). Girls first, followed by boys. Shot put will start at the same time as long jump and pole vault, and will be outside of the track (high jump starts after the 60 dash finals). We need anyone hosting a qualifier meet should have already sent the meet information to Julie Alano ASAP, so she can get it on the website. Mr. and Miss Cross Country will be announced between HSR sessions. There will be conversions from 55m hurdles to 60m hurdles and dash. Host school will provide trainer. Apparel store is online. No printed programs, but will have a QR code for heat sheets, etc. Coaches must declare by March 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm.

**Hall of Fame:** Ed has been working hard on getting jerseys from schools. Working on getting funding for an exhibit relating to the history of the track surface. Working on a Greg Bell exhibit. Open six days a week, but you should probably call before coming on a Saturday, as Saturday hours vary at times.

**New Business:** Julie Alano wants to thank everyone who got speakers for the clinic, thanks to everyone who introduced speakers, thanks to everyone who helped with registration. Special thanks to Jayson Rigsby and Steve Kearny. Special thanks to Paige Brunner and James Turner. Thanks to Ryan Potter for organizing vendors. Thanks to Thomas Crum as well.

**Meeting adjourned:** at 12:51 pm

Motioned to adjourn by Terry Lakes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lisa Gausman