

In attendance: Ken, Lauren, Dave G., Tom J., Robin, Earl

Meeting opened at 8:02 p.m., Ken conducted this meeting via Zoom.

Youth: Paul has been removed from the legacy email account.

Robin contacted Nittany TC, but it was determined that the facility is too far, not up to standards, and it's late to facilitate a meet from scratch. Earl added it would be difficult to get Officials there for a two day meet, hotels would be needed, and there are logistical problems with having a meet there.

In a conversation with Nelson B., he agreed to help with a meet and would recruit a minimum of six former Youth members to work the meet, and mentor new members in how to organize and stage a meet. All will require a fee for their services.

Having the meet at University of Delaware was discussed, the facility fee is \$5000@day. Earl has spoken to Widener, whose fee is \$2000@day, meet dates would be June 9-12, 2023. Earl is waiting for a definite commitment from the Widener AD .

Robin and Earl attended the HP meeting, Youth and Adults would compete on separate days, Associations are moving to one day Youth meets due to costs skyrocketing. Rogers is unavailable to be Meet Director on the proposed weekend, possibly Billy W. and/or Nelson could fill that role.

Trust must be built again between parents and MidAtlantic, we must promote the meet and make it attractive and affordable for families. Robin suggested rebranding the meet as a Track Carnival, use Grant money for giveaways such as bucket hats, have a photographer, generate excitement.

Dave endorsed Widener for multiple reasons: long history hosting meets, good location, hotels nearby, infrastructure built in, easy to get to. Long term,

Dave advocates developing meets in other PA cities, many universities and High Schools that are willing to host meets.

Earl feels the only negative aspect of Widener is the distance between the Throws area and the Track, but Widener has the facilities for all events to be held.

Planning: must recruit new members to Youth. Three steps:

1. Email Nelson to discuss his fee and commitment.
2. Email Membership to recruit Youth committee members.
3. Email Youth clubs to recruit committee members.

Earl feels a meet will enable people to see the Association moving forward in a positive direction, shows due diligence.

Budget: Tom said and emergency budget approval process is needed for the 2023 Budget. Line items for the meet can be inserted, with a budget revision in the near future, \$22,400 was budgeted for meets in 2022, with a \$10,000 loss for Youth.

Minutes respectfully by:

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