



**OCCTCA Business Meeting Minutes**  
**Saturday, January 18, 2025**  
**The Grand Hotel and Resort (Shawnee)- 12:00pm**

***NOTE: The OCCTCA Board may discuss, vote to approve, vote to disapprove, vote to table or decide not to vote on any item on this agenda.***

1. **Call to Order** (time 12:14pm)
2. **Verify the posting of the meeting notice, agenda and verify a quorum** (roll call)
  - a. Kendra Hoover, present
  - b. Aaron Partridge, absent (Arkansas Indoor Meet)
  - c. Dana Hickman, present
  - d. Kerri Lafferty, absent (family illness)
  - e. Travis Sims, absent (recovering illness)
  - f. David Garmon, present
  - g. Scott Wilkinson, absent (Arkansas Indoor Meet)
  - h. Mike Driskill, present
  - i. Matt Hart, present
  - j. Terry Neal, present
3. **Consent Agenda**
  - a. Minutes of the July 23, 2024 Board Meeting, posted to OHStrack.com
  - b. Approve the financial report (attached as last page)
  - c. Senior All-Star Cross Country Certificates mailed first week in December.
4. **Recognize OCCTCA Track Coaches of the Year, and ring presentation.** Congratulations on outstanding seasons, the 2024 OCCTCA Track & Field Coaches of the year: Kelly Brown, Stroud & Randy Tilly, Western Heights
5. **Coach of the Year Selection: Cross Country 2024** (Nominations + Vote)
  - a. Women's COY: Blake Collins, Owasso
  - b. Men's COY: James Nells, Riverside
6. **Advisory Committee**
  - a. Application/ election process, elections by class.
    - i. Coaches from each respective class will vote for their Advisory Member (ie, Class 3A will be selected by 3A membership coaches, 5A by 5A coaches, etc...)
  - b. Job responsibilities & expectations:
    - i. Committee Members represent coaches within their respective classes.



- ii. Regular attendance at Advisory Meetings in person and via zoom as needed.
  - iii. Attend/ contribute during clinics (Round Table Discussion- Summer, Advisory Panel- Winter).
  - iv. Publish Weekly Performance Rankings (can use all resources available: OHS Track Results, Athletic.net, Milesplit Rankings, etc...)
  - v. Provide suggested regional assignments (send all information to Brian Lester). Goal is to split equally the top 4 tier, mid 4 tier and the lower tier, then work geographically and with respect for both genders.
  - vi. Willing to write, develop, and present proposals for items and/ or issues brought to your attention.
- c. Positions up for selection:
- i. Women's Track (6A, 5A, 4A, 3A, 2A, 1A)
  - ii. Men's Track (4A, 1A)
  - iii. If any positions will be relinquished, please notify Kendra Hoover so the position(s) may be made available on the application.
- d. Dates of Interest
- i. Application link posted on the OHStrack website January 20-31 (closes 12:00pm).
  - ii. Election links will be LIVE on the OHStrack website February 3-10 (closes 12:00pm).
- 7. Cross Country Updates/ Recap**
- a. Oklahoma Arkansas Cross Country recap/ discussion
    - i. Huge thank you to Broken Arrow Public Schools, Coach Aaron Partridge and the Enduro crew for a great meet! We had the best turn out from recent years.
    - ii. Board is brainstorming for the future, if Cross Country state meets are split. How will this affect the participation of the smaller classes being 2-3 weeks removed from season.
    - iii. Oklahoma-Arkansas will be hosted by Arkansas next fall.
  - b. We want to thank Edmond Santa Fe, Stephanie Lewis & Brian Lester for a great State event, they have continued to raise the bar and it was great witnessing the inaugural championships for the newly minted Class A.
- 8. Indoor Track & Field Update**
- a. No indoor this year. OU Admin could not come to an agreement this year within their program.



b. We will continue to work towards an indoor series & championship event.

#### 9. **OSSAA Updates**

- a. Classifications posted
- b. Regional Entries/ Milesplit, if the mark (time/ height/ distance) does not appear on Milesplit it will not be used for Regional seeding purposes. Please contact host coach to submit results to milesplit.
- c. State Sites
  - i. 2A/ A                      Western Heights (May 9-10)
  - ii. 4A/ 3A                     Plainview (May 9-10)
  - iii. 6A/ 5A                    Western Heights (May 16-17)

#### 10. **New Business**

- a. Thank you to Terry Neal for organizing another great clinic.
- b. Practice Track meets are permitted before March 1. No loss of instructional time, no entry fees, no awards, and no scores. Performance marks from practice meets do not count towards records.
- c. **Advisory Board Discussion from yesterday afternoon.**  
Regional Qualifying Marks, State Qualifying Marks, and had a great discussion weighing the pros and cons. Consensus was the qualifying marks would create more issues than resolve those we currently experience.

##### Issues Discussed

- i. Regional Issues/ Concerns
  - 1. Too many heats and flights in A/2A
    - a. Proposed Solution: Split regionals A/4A and 2A/3A
    - b. Rationale: Could mitigate the excessive number of heats/ flights in events as the classes that have been traditionally paired together are the ones which contain the most number of schools and teams. \*If an issue remains, Advisory will reconvene and submit another proposal.
  - 2. Issue #2 No definitive rule/ guideline as to establishing field event starting heights and distances in field events.
    - a. Proposed Solution: Provided clear instruction and printed examples to meet officials as to how to establish starting heights and distances. Example: 86 entries in girls shot put. Not all 86 will score in the event. Establish a cut and measure any throw that surpasses the established mark.



Only 8 needed for the finals flight. Verified regional entries will help establish the event parameters.

ii. State Meet Issues/ Concerns

1. Issue #1: Coaches Box Issue: Coaches Box needed for running events on the oval.
  - a. Proposed Solution: Allow One coach per school down on the oval (visitor side 30 yard line to 30 yard line).
2. Issue #2: One Venue Needed
  - a. Proposed Solution: Small School (Week 45 OSSAA Calendar) A/2A/3A @ Western Heights Large School (Week 46 OSSAA Calendar) 4A/5A/6A @ Western Heights  
\*Western Heights is centrally located for ALL Classes.
3. Issue #3: Utilize the facility better as to accommodate use earlier in the morning and later in the evening. Why are we not using the stadium lights to illuminate the events in the evening hours which are optimal conditions for events?
  - a. Proposed Solution: Runoff events later into the evening hours. Cooler temps and less wind issues. Mimic a standard track meet 9am-9pm for example.
4. Issue #4: Track Warm-Up Congestion/ Overcrowding
  - a. Proposed Solution: Open the track for practice the evening prior to Day One. Open the track for practice 7:00am-8:00am for blocks and hurdles. Split up the events allowed to use the track for handoffs, block work, hurdles, etc.
5. Issue #5: Announcer Speaking while the starter is trying to get a race off. Awards take a long time to be recognized.
  - a. Proposed Solution: By extending the track day as proposed in #3, there would be extra time to be designated specifically for awards with no need to impede on races.

11. **Adjournment** (time 12:37pm)

- a. Motion, Cole Williams (Skiatook)
- b. Second, David Garmon (Elk City)



<b>OCCTCA FINANCIAL REPORT</b>	
<b>Balance from August 2024</b>	<i>\$9,891.60</i>
<b>Deposits from August through December 1</b>	
Memberships (353)	\$4,330
MOC Gate and Shirts	\$2,319
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$16,540.60</b>
<b>MOC Expenses</b>	
T-shirts for sale	\$1,093.75
Singlets	\$762.35
Porta Potties	\$730.00
Business Meal	\$287.35
Motel Rooms (2)	\$489.98
Patches for jackets	\$100.00
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$3,463.43</b>
<b>Business Expenses</b>	
Kendra Hoover (All Star Cert postage)	\$135.75
Square device and Pad	\$834.57
Website Dues	\$2,000
Office Supplies	\$243.30
P.O. Box	\$186.00
Taxes	\$250.00
admission stamp	\$26.89
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,676.51</b>
<b>Total through 2024</b>	<b>\$9,400.66</b>