

INFORMAL MEETING
2013-2014 CAPITOL DIVISION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
28 JULY 2013

Members Present: Valerie Asher; Rebecca Chimahusky; Raymond Finkleman; Bettie Graham; Lewis Slotter; T. Mark Miller; Malcolm Patterson; Larry Pinkus¹; T.J. Safai; Cindy Sirico; and Diane Trice.

1. Informal Discussion of the 2013-2014 Schedule. Ray drafted a proposed schedule of Division and distributed the list of recurring club events. Some of the issues/information regarding the fencing year are:

- 1) The USFA Safe Sport policy will be in effect so the issue of having certified referees, volunteers, bout committee chairperson may be an issue.
- 2) Half Shell will be able to confirm the dates of the Cherry Blossom by September.
- 3) Events at DCFC will now start at noon instead of 2:00 p.m.
- 4) The format for the Junior Olympics and the Summer National Qualifiers may change so that foil and saber events for men and women take place on Saturday and epee events for men and women take place on Sunday.
- 5) Checks for Capitol Division events should be made out to the Capitol Division.
- 6) Rebecca will ensure that referees get paid at the end of the day.
- 7) A fencing team event was discussed, but this may be a club event since the proposed time is between Christmas and New Years.
- 8) Before the Division implements the Safe Sport policy, clarification from USFA beyond what is provided in their F&Qs is needed.
- 9) Half Shell should discuss with USFA their situation and how the Safe Sport policy should be implemented.

2. Fees for Division Events and Officials. The schedule was distributed. There was a discussion about paying travel fees for referees, especially

¹ By telephone

those who are not in the local area. This issue will be discussed at the next meeting of the Executive Committee along with the fee schedule. It was also suggested that a budget for the Division events be generated for discussion at the next meeting. See Attachment A.

3. **Bout Committee Clinic.** The Division needs more bout committee managers. Everyone agreed that this was a good idea. Some of the ideas floated to facilitate this were: (1) purchase a Division computer with Fencing Time on it for general use or (2) have trainees use their own computer, but reimburse them for purchasing Fencing Time. Trainees would also be reimbursed for Safe Sport screening.
4. **Mike Brown Award.** Duncan Enerson, a University of Maryland student from Howard County, has been selected for this award. He should send a picture and bio to Ray for the Capitol Division Website.
5. **Referee Clinic.** There are two issues that need further discussion at the next meeting of the Executive Committee: (1) reimburse rated referees who participate in the referee clinic as a refresher and (2) how frequently the clinics should be held. The next one should focus on foil and sabre.
6. **Next Meeting.** A doodle pool will be sent out to determine the date of the first meeting of the 2013-2014 fencing year.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

ATTACHMENT A

CAPITOL DIVISION 2012-2013 FEE SCHEDULE Revised 15 July 2012

NOTES:

(1) THE FEES LISTED HERE PERTAIN ONLY TO TOURNAMENTS SPONSORED BY THE CAPITOL DIVISION.

(2) THIS FEE SCHEDULE DOES NOT APPLY TO THE CHERRY BLOSSOM OPEN.

(3) THE CAPITOL DIVISION DOES NOT REGULATE REGISTRATION OR REFEREE FEES OF CLUB EVENTS.

1. REGISTRATION AND EVENT FEES

- Registration fees will be \$5.00.
- Event fees will be \$25.00.
- Fencers who participate in more than one event will pay only one registration fee per competition, but must pay the event fee for each event.
- Any qualifying event (such as the Junior Olympics and the Summer Nationals) where the fencer shows up and the event is not competed, only the registration fee will be waived.
- Registration fees will be waived for students who present valid identification showing that they are college or university students.

2. REFEREE AND MEET MANAGER STIPENDS

Referees will be paid at the rates listed below:

Rating	Stipend/day
1	\$100
2	\$95
3	\$90
4	\$85
5	\$80
6-7	\$70
8-9	\$65
10	\$60
Unrated	\$40

Meet Manager \$100/day

Referee "Wrangler" \$50 per competition

Meet Managers who referee and manage the event will be paid only for managing the meet.

Referees who officiate for at least a full event will be paid a full day's stipend.

Referees who officiate for a partial event will be paid a partial to full day's stipend at the discretion of the Meet Manager.

No Referee will receive more than a full day's stipend per day, no matter how many events are directed.

Fencers who referee may be compensated at the discretion of the Meet Manager.

Fencers who are recruited by the meet manager to increase the strength of the event may have their tournament fee waived at the discretion of the meet manager.