

Work on the JO Travel Passport is completed. As I shared with you last month, this document provides parents and coaches complete JO meet information, rental car details, web links to housing resources, directions to Rock Chalk Park, packet pick-up location and hours, track spike specifications, Opening Ceremonies information, and other competition details. All 2017 JO meet information will be on a dedicated page located on USATF's web site. This information will be "live" by December 1.

The December 1 launch of the JO Web page is the same day the LSC will update the USATF youth membership during USATF's Annual Meeting on Lawrence's progress in preparing for the 2017 Junior Olympics. Anticipated main topics of discussion will be treatment of officials and housing.

In addition, I have accepted an invitation to meet with Max Siegel, CEO of USATF, during the Annual Meeting.

I met with University representatives Doug Banks (Kansas Athletics) and Charlie Persinger (Strong Hall) to identify those areas of the JO event for which we will need the University's assistance. We agreed that a University-wide meeting with key administrators would take place in December.

I also met with the newly elected USATF Missouri Valley (local association) Board of Directors to educate them on the progress of JO planning. During this meeting I asked the MVA to take the lead role of planning the Opening Ceremonies. Past JO Opening Ceremonies have been disappointing, so instead of the host community taking the lead role in 2017, I want to approach this event from the perspective of athletes and coaches.

The Lawrence Sports Corporation was also involved in other non-Junior Olympics activities in November:

Lawrence Downtown Olympic Shot Put:

Plans for this April event are well underway. LSC has secured a \$25,000 sponsorship from USATF. LSC also submitted a TGT Grant Fund request to help cover expenses. 2016 Olympic Gold Medalists Ryan Crouser and Michelle Carter and Silver Medalist Joe Kovacs have committed to this event.

Mother Earth News Expo: LSC, on behalf of Douglas County, met with Mother Earth News to explore the possibility of hosting the Mother Earth News Expo again. Mother Earth News officials toured the Douglas County Fairgrounds to see firsthand the improvements that have been made.

360 Cup: The Kansas Cycling Association hosted its State Cyclocross Championships at

Centennial Park on November 20. LSC submitted the ROW request to temporarily close Rockledge during race hours in order to build out the start/finish line. This event attracted 175 riders to Lawrence.

Dinner On The Curve: I worked with Van Go to create a site plan and submit a ROW request for this October 2017 fundraising event. Van Go has decided to rebrand its major annual fundraiser by replacing What Floats Your Boat with Dinner On The Curve, which will occur outside Van Go offices on New Jersey Street.

Respectfully submitted,

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