



Attendees: Val Foss, Marty Kahler, Don Berry Mark Dennett, Dennis Kunces, John Sinclair, Tom Menendez, Ron Kelly, Tom Eastler

President V. Foss called the meeting to order at 9:45a.m.

Secretary's Report: February 2016 minutes submitted by M. Dennett were reviewed. Motion was made by D. Berry to accept the minutes as written, second by M. Kahler, passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: The financials were discussed and the ending balance of \$2,260.33 in Officials USATF and \$40,266.09 in the USATF Checkbook. The balance for USA - Balance for activities less cash on hand (\$300) and items allotted (\$186.00 Marty Thornton Travel Fund, \$357 USATF-Maine Travel Fund, \$125.00 Gray Award, \$350.00 Taxes) is \$39,548.09. There is an overall balance of \$43,414.82.

Committee Reports:

Athlete Membership: There was 447 USATF Memberships for 2016 as of 3/19/2016

Clubs: 8 for 2016 as of 3/19/2016

Sanctions: 25 for 2016 as of 3/15/2016

Officials: D. Berry reported that he had a great opportunity to Officiate at the New Balance Indoor Nationals with 3 others from Maine. Clinics are set up for March 20 (Gorham), April 2 (Topsham), April 3 (Orono). He is waiting to set up Augusta and possible Farmington. Safe sport will be included as a part of the clinics to certify officials. State meet locations are set for A-Hampden, B-MDI, C-Foxcroft. D. Berry felt the Association Indoor Championships went very well and everyone pitched in to help out

Masters/Open: No report from R. Ranson or S. Foss-Worster. M. Dennett reported on current expenses and income from the indoor championship. Motion by V. Foss to pay officials based on indoor pay schedule created by D. Berry, second by D. Berry, motion passed. M. Dennett suggested to move the 55m dash and hurdles to 60m. The heights for hurdles should be moved from 42" to 39" for more availability to the

M/W Masters LDR: V. Foss has made contact to Gary Allen about interest in being the LDR chair.

Cross Country: No financial report from the cross country championships has been submitted.

Race Walk: T. Menendez reported that there were 3 athletes from Maine who competed at the NAIA championships. Matt Forgues recently raced at the Olympic Trials 50k Championships. Also at the New Balance Indoor Nationals Maine had 3 athletes make All-American (Spencer Dunn, Billy Chambers, & Kayla Allen). T. Eastler reported that he has Old Town who will be putting on the first race walk clinic by NARI. This clinic will be to teach teachers to race walk and include the book.

Youth Athletics: Changes and revisions to the Youth Summer Series Rules were discussed. Discussion regarding membership that the bulk of memberships need to be submitted by second week and each week the athletes competing will be compared to the athletes registered. A bill will be sent to the teams for the unregistered athletes. Field passes will be restricted to coaches boxes during the meet. Motion by R. Kelly for all clubs that take Safesport, USATF-Maine reimburse \$15 towards their club membership, second by J. Sinclair. Discussion took place about how to enforce coaches are background checked/Safesport. M. Kahler suggested we first look how to get more people in compliance. Suggestion that Teams with 30 or more athletes need two coaches to be background checked and have Safesport and teams with less than 30 athletes need 1 coach in compliance. R. Kelly withdrew motion. M. Kahler motion that teams with 30 or more athletes need two coaches to be background checked and have Safesport and teams with less than 30 athletes need 1 coach in compliance, second by T. Menendez, motion

passed. Relays were also discussed to limit numbers that compete. Motion by T. Menendez that Relay teams will be admitted to the state meet having earned spot by qualifying out of qualifier by same rules governing every other event, second by J. Sinclair. R. Kelly ask that top 6 qualify. Motion withdrawn. R. Kelly made a motion that Teams will be allowed to have 1 relay per age group per event in the relays, second by T. Menendez, Motion Passed. R. Kelly submitted a Summer Series Schedule and is working on confirming all dates. M. Dennett will be having a Safesport clinic in June located in Augusta for central Maine teams.

MUT: The 2016 USA TF-Maine Trail Championships will be held 6/19/2016 at the Leavitt Father's Day 5k in Turner, Maine.

OLD BUSINESS:

Website: Templates available 3/21. Waiting for more information and the webinar.

LDR Co-Chair: V. Foss is still working on contacting Gary Allen.

Gasping Gobbler Sanction Fee: We have still not received the Gasping Gobbler Sanction Fee.

NEW BUSINESS:

Association Marketing Kit: Has been ordered with items with the new logo/branding.

Turbo Javelins: Next Year (2017) there will be need to be the new Aero Javelins used. Val has some contact information about them.

Accreditation Report: Only thing we were in error on was on website having no Financial Header. We had financial information on the website, just not under the header which they wanted. It has been fixed and waiting on the final copy of report.

Desiree Friedman - Email: Covered under website topic.

1 Hour Meet: T. Eastler and M. Dennett are interested in looking for a location for a 1 Hour Championship, possibly as a bid for a National Championship. This is in the early stages.

Next meeting: 4/17/16 Location: Teleconference call

Meeting Adjourned at 11:40am by President V. Foss

Respectfully Submitted,

Mark Dennett – Secretary