



Attendees: Val Foss, Marty Kahler, Mark Dennett, Dennis Kunces, Ron Kelly, Dustin Williamson, Molly Winchenbach, Josiah Winchenbach, Tom Menendez

President V. Foss called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Secretary's Report: No Minutes Available

Treasurer's Report: The financials were discussed. We finished the year with a little over \$35,000 in the checking. D. Kunces has paid and registered with the state as a nonprofit along with sending the tax documents to the auditor to be done in April, maybe earlier. We never received a bill but got a notice that we needed to pay for patches. That has been paid. The biggest expense recently has been for convention expenses.

Committee Reports:

Athlete Membership: There was 2372 USATF Memberships for 2019 and 321 for 2020 as of 1/19/2020.

Clubs: 10 for 2020 as of 1/19/2020. M. Dennett and J. Winchenbach questioned about clubs that should be active that are not listed.

Sanctions: 8 for 2020 as of 1/19/2020

Officials: D. Berry discussed there will be an increase in membership fees for officials. Nationals has been pushing for 4 years memberships which jeopardizing new officials. This still is being discussed. High School Outdoor meets have been set for Noble (Class A), Freeport (Class B) & Brewer (Class C). Don will put out a list calling for officials for all active officials along with continuing to ask for officials for USATF-Maine Indoor Championships. The Young Officials Grant notices will be sent out shortly. R. Kelly asked if Class A will have certified officials for the Class A State Indoor Championships.

Open: J. Winchenbach discussed that he has been working with M. Dennett on the transition for him as Meet Director for the Indoor Championships. Timing will be there for 9 and the Trainer has been contracted. Mark Lech from UMaine will look into the concessions. A call for officials has been sent out. J. Winchenbach inquired about merchandise for sale at the meet. Ron will supply generic shirts, hat, socks, etc. The board discussed about the possible locations for the Summer Series and the Outdoor Championships.

Masters: No Report

LDR: No Report

Cross Country: The board would like to know who competed at National JO XC Championships. We are still waiting for a file from nationals for this.

Race Walk: No new update for the Championship Race. The location is still being worked on.

Youth Athletics: Preliminary information like the schedule has been sent out. It is early for information. The Association Championship might be at a different place than Scarborough this year. There is interest in hosting meets from clubs for the summer series. R. Kelly reported that he has started talking with Gorham to host the Region 1 JO XC. M. Kahler suggested that he is willing to do the leg work with looking at a farm that is in Elliot, within 1 mile of Marshwood High School having hosted large events in the past. There is no building but would look at a large tent to put up there. M. Kahler will contact the farm and get back to the board. V. Foss thanked those who attended to help with the first Brunswick Youth Running Meet. The first meet had an estimated 50 athletes.

MUT: D. Williamson has had some difficulty getting a trail championship. He did speak with Bond Brook Treadfest. They are interested, and D. Williamson is waiting to hear back more from them. He will also speak with

the MUT Chair from New England after getting an email from M. Kahler with the contact information for the New England Association MUT Chair.

Para Athletics: No Report.

OLD BUSINESS:

2019 USATF National Annual Meeting - Reno: No updates from the Annual Meeting.

Financial Assistance Recaps: M. Dennett inquired if we got all recaps. V. Foss received the last one.

NEW BUSINESS:

2020 Accreditation: M. Dennett will submit the accreditation paperwork.

W9s: D. Kunces discussed that at the convention he went to the treasurer's division meeting. It was highly recommended that we issue W-9 for each official at meets we have them work. Motion by M. Kahler that we have officials fill out W-9 at each of our meets, second by J. Winchenbach. Motion amended to add for those who have not filled out a W-9 yet. Motion passed to collect W-9 from officials who have not submitted a W-9 for working at USTAF-Maine Meets.

Money Market Account: D. Kunces received a call from TD Bank because of healthy balance and renewing CD. They suggested to put some extra into Money Market account to collect interest, but this could be transferred if needed. M. Kahler asked for more information at next meeting with the number of transactions per month, minimum balances, interest rate, and ability to transfer from money market account to our bank account. D. Kunces will look into this.

Newsletter: Marty Thornton will be the editor again. She would like all articles by the first of March. Motion by V. Foss to pay the editor of the newsletter \$150, second by M. Kahler. Discussion about the newsletters that Marty Thornton typically did the first, and the second was the banquet presentation as a newsletter. V. Foss did the banquet newsletter. M. Dennett posed about having M. Winchenbach as the communication chair do the newsletter. M. Kahler posed to have Molly work with Marty Thornton on the newsletter. M. Kahler also stated that board members do not get paid for work besides summer membership. M. Winchenbach and M. Thornton should work together for the newsletter. Motion passed with amendment to pay Marty Thornton for the Spring Newsletter with M. Winchenbach taking over the fall newsletter.

Association Website: M. Winchenbach and M. Dennett mentioned there would be new websites for Associations. M. Winchenbach is working to keep things updated.

Facebook: V. Foss stated that at the Annual Meeting a National Parliamentarian discussed that only have one Facebook page. Motion by M. Dennett to delete the Facebook Group and keep the Facebook Page for the association, second by D. Berry. Discussion regarding the difference between a Group and Page. Our page has 800 followers and the group has 300. Page is more accessible by all no matter if they have Facebook and in the group you must have a Facebook account. A page is set up by the organization or creator and the group is set up by fans usually. Motion passed.

Exact Target: M. Dennett discussed that our license for the Exact Target expires on January 31. After that till the new email blast system is set up all email blasts need to go through Nationals. He will forward this email to M. Winchenbach.

Next meeting: Teleconference – February 16

Meeting Adjourned at 7:40 p.m. by President V. Foss

Respectfully Submitted,

Mark Dennett – Secretary