

USATF Connecticut  
October 9, 2024  
Annual Meeting Agenda

I. Approval of Minutes from the September 11th, meeting.

II. Reports

- President

Annual Meeting – Scheduled for Thursday December 5th – Sunday the 8<sup>th</sup> in Orlando, Florida. Registration is open and is \$290.00 for on-time registration, \$50.00 for round trip transportation to and from the airport. Processing fee is \$13.90 for a total of \$353.90. In a delegation of 10, 3 (33.3%) must be active athletes, and 3 must be coaches.

One ten-Year athlete needs to be found. Association pays for airfare (please book early and look for low fares), hotel, registration, transport to and from hotel. The schedule is not out as yet, however from what I am hearing delegation should plan to arrive Thursday for the opening ceremony that evening. The Association Workshop will be held Thursday morning.

There was a discussion about inviting Connecticut's Olympic Athlete as part of the delegation and that was agreed to be a good idea.

Voting Positions for the Annual Meeting are listed below as decided at the meeting and immediately after. These are subject to change, and final positions will be listed in the November minutes

Women's Track & Field - Mr. Barber

Men's Track and Field - Greg

Master's Track and Field - Greg

Master's LDR - Ron

Womens LDR - Sasha

Men's LDR - undecided at time of meeting

Women's Committee - Maryanne

Race Walk - Ron

Officials - Yvonne

Association - Yolanda

Cross Country - Alan

MUT - Alan

Youth - Irving

Alternate - Bob

Determining the delegation was hampered by the fact the schedule is not up yet.

You must pay up front and submit receipts for reimbursement.

Reimbursement's will take place following the meeting.

Please arrange for flights in a timely fashion.

I cannot build the delegation until you have registered online.

Accreditation Status – all good so far, the website review will be done in November by National Office.

- Treasurer's Report –
  - As of October 4th, 2024
    - Checkbook Balance                   \$132,785.63
    - Uncashed Checks                     \$ 1135.00
    - Current Reconciled Balance       \$131,650.63
  
  - Uncashed checks are resolved. Uncashed checks are no longer being held as obligations against the accounts
  - A spreadsheet will be made available showing where the budgeted money was spent
  
- Membership - 1884 as of 10/6/24, 1835 last month, last year this time was 1985.
  - There was a long discussion about getting more members during the budget discussion, much of which focused on reverses losses at the youth level, providing something so that youth aren't just going out of state for non-USATF events by leveraging the clubs more effectively
  - The grant for clubs was discussed and it was decided to drop the requirement that the club had already grown from the form
  
- Report from Standing Committees:

Officials – Yvonne

- This is a recertification year. Every Olympia.d. All officials have to recertify

- I have about 22 officials that have shown interest in wanting to upgrade, so I'm going. I'm sending out information on their particular upgrade, whether it's apprentice to association or whatever the combination is to move up what they need to do. This is all standardized by USATF
- We have an annual meeting here in Cheshire on December 1<sup>st</sup> at one o'clock.
- We'll be taking the National Federation as a group at that time
- Met with Glenn Liberini head of CIAC to talk about the track and field officials becoming part of CIAC and National Federation. He said no.
- But we are on a 3 year plan and if we meet the conditions then it could happen

#### Sanctions – Alan

- Over 100 sanctions
- Race directors should not use ACH to pay, we are having numerous issues with slow approval

#### Website – Peter

- It was agreed to start working to move from our independent site to the national site
- We agreed that we have met the national requirement for newsletters

#### LDR – Peter

- Bids due October 26<sup>th</sup> for two year LDR race schedule
- Meeting on October 30<sup>th</sup>
- Both dates were later changed

#### Masters – Deb P

- Plans for a joint indoors Masters Meet with New York and New Jersey are moving forward, on March 1<sup>st</sup> at Ocean Breeze
- Was approached by the management for Nutmeg Games about USATF joining ta meeting on May 31<sup>st</sup>
- Budget line was created for Bethel Indoor Winter Training Sessions
- Mini Meet with NY, NJ as a part of the session
- Discussion was also had about doing a multi-state outdoors series

#### Youth – Irving

- JO Meet November 10<sup>th</sup>
- Clubs aren't sending kids and they aren't getting the membership either
- Determined that an email blast would be sent out to parents and youth
- Discussion about continued dysfunction between national office and youth committee and how there are basically two committees

#### Safe Sport – Ron

- Everyone comes up biannually and most people are coming up this year
- Some people were receiving notifications that they were up prematurely

#### Race Walk – Maryanne

- Racewalk clinic was held and possibly some high school students will try to qualify for Penns

#### Cross Country, Mountain, Ultra, Trail – Gillian

- Two cross country races left on the schedule
- At an earlier point in the meeting there had been a lengthy discussion about how payouts for Mutt/Cross-Country did not match Road Racing. Gillian and Petter agreed to take the discussion offline, Bob indicated he could do whatever worked for everyone

#### III. New Business

- Discussion was held about the initiative of naming a walking track in Norwalk after Mary Norman

#### IV. Next meeting will be on November 13th, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. – CIAC Office and zoom