

USATF CONNECTICUT
MEETING FEBRUARY 13, 2018
MINUTES

In Attendance: Bob Fontaine, Jim Barber, Brad Overturf, Kristina Miner, Peter Hawley, Alan McDougall, Patrick Byrne, Ron Daniel, Maryanne Daniel, Bob Gemske,

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM NOVEMBER 8, 2017

- a. **Motion to approve minutes as written by Brad Overturf, second by Morgan Kennedy. Vote unanimous in favor.**

2. REPORTS

a. President

i. Information from Annual Meeting

- a. Connecticut was given an Association Award by National for being the 2nd place association and was awarded \$3000 – this has not come in yet.
- b. Reimbursement of \$989.79 for Bob's attendance of the Association Workshop has not come in yet
- c. The Association received a Grant for \$1995 towards the Identilyn Camera which has not come in yet
- d. The Association received a Grant for \$1525 towards the Member's Only Race which has not come in yet
- e. In total, the association should be receiving \$7,509.79 from National

ii. Amount owed to National For sanctions since 2015 is \$22,918.01. This charge is due to the change for electronic sanctions vs paper sanctions. National will not pay us until this sum is paid off. Bob Fontaine believes this sum is accurate.

iii. Marketing kits from National – we ordered rain ponchos, chap stick, table cloth.

iv. Our Accreditation report has been filed with National

b. Treasurer

i. Bob is going to contact Desiree at National to get our currently due balance to them and we will pay up to \$15K. It will be hard to not receive money from National Office.

ii. In the next month, Alan is going to add transparency to sanctions for applicants and the association. Most smaller races cannot do online payment.

iii. In the next month, it is proposed that Bob Fontaine and Bob Gemske set up electronic banking and a second authorized account holder. **Vote on proposal: Motioned by Alan, Seconded by Patrick. Vote was unanimous in favor.**

c. Membership: 1168 as of 2/12/18 last year at this meeting we had 1173. Usually we see an increase around this time of the year.

d. Standing Committee Reports:

i. Officials – No date on the next clinic. The lawsuit against the officials from the Wesleyan Meet is moving forward. Bob Fontaine is looking into Excess Liability Insurance.

ii. Sanctions – 42 Complete Sanctions for this year so far.

iii. Website – The Website went down due to a DNS dispute, and will be operational again soon. There was a Facebook campaign for an event, and it resulted in a good turnout.

iv. Masters LDR – 7/8 Checks are in

v. Open LDR – 2 Upcoming Grand Prix races in March. There is a question about double dipping by athletes. This is not an executive board vote, but there is uncertainty about whether it goes to the LDR committee. Bob Fontaine is going to look into the authority of the LDR Chair. Ray Wise has left the volunteer position of scorer.

vi. Racewalk – Several of the Top Athletes who went to the Millrose games asked for a 3KM racewalk. These were 3 of the 4 top athletes who got qualifying marks for Worlds.

vii. Youth Track and Field – No Report

viii. Masters/Open Track and Field – Andy Martin wants to publicize Master T&F on the website of championships.

ix. MUT – Same Series as last year. Adding an XC race

3. OLD BUSINESS REPORTS:

- a. USATF JO Cross Country at White Memorial – this was a successful event and was under-budget.
- b. Indoor Youth/Open/Masters Meet February 4th – 90 Open Masters attended. Logistically, this was a success. Timing the event was tough due to the different ways of reporting youth athletes vs older athletes.
 - i. Income from Open/Masters \$1180.00 + \$560 Day of = \$1740.00 – This was higher than previously.
 - ii. Income from Youth \$2406.00 – This was lower than previously, so the event needs to be advertised earlier.
 - iii. Total \$4146.00
- c. Reports from convention – Ron Daniel reviewed a document he prepared about qualifying, World's Team Selection, and the Awards given. Morgan Kennedy highlighted that the CT MUT program received recognition for establishing a racing series.

4. NEW BUSINESS

- a. New USATF Volunteer Policy regarding SafeSport – discussion surrounding the changes here culminated in a consensus that no consensus can be derived from the message sent out by National and that the need to clarify examples of events and individuals where it is found necessary and not necessary.
- b. Youth attending USATF Summer Camp \$1,250 per athlete – 2x boys if the budget allows. Bob is going to look into whether it still costs this much.
- c. Funding for race with New England Association in Massachusetts – Continue to explore if there are costs and if we could have a team for a Shelburne Falls race.
- d. Outdoor Open/Masters Championship – Needs to be planned, cannot be in Middletown, and we need to make sure participation offsets costs.
- e. JO meet June 16th at Litchfield – There is a link needed on the website.