USATF MINUTES

4/13/2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:15pm

In attendance: Bob Fontaine, Yvonne Grimes, Peter Hawley, Ken Platt, Joyce Baiardi, Barry Baiardi, Morgan Kennedy, Patrick Byrne, Kristina Miner, Bill Mongovan, Jim Barber and Maryann Daniel, Ron Daniel and Dave Driscoll.

Minutes from the March meeting – Jim Barber proposed the minutes be accepted as written and this was seconded by Barry Baiardi. Passed unanimously by all present.

REPORTS

President- Bob Fontaine announced that we were again granted full accreditations, all standards were met. LDR received a grant for \$100 to promote clubs. \$500 was received from national for promotional material. Bob purchased 2 tables, 2 USATF/CT banners and 2 USATF/CT magnets for the side of a car. Goals/Plans- Bob spoke with national about other state's goals and what ours could be. He suggested taking a survey at the May meeting for suggestions.

Bob recognized Will Graustein for his 18 years on the board as head of LDR.

Treasurer- Bob Fontaine for Bob Gemske reported that our accounts have \$76,328. He is going to ask to have Bob Gemske look into some kind of interest bearing account for a portion of it.

Membership- Jim Barber stated that we have 1635 members, 661 adults and 974 youth.

COMMITTEES

Officials- Yvonne Grimes reported that we have 120 officials in the state. She proposed requiring a working resume for renewal. November will see a new test out for the next 4 years certification. Outdoor HS championships are coming up in May and June. She has had to reach out to MA and RI to help cover all positions. She would like to see more training clinics in the upcoming year.

Sanctions- Bob reported that the standard for accreditation is 1:100,000 people in the state. We have had 4.

Website- Patrick stated that all material for the monthly newsletter would be welcome. Pictures too.

Open/Master's/LDR- Kristina Miner- Kristina Miner reported that the 5K championship was very successful. The ½ marathon in Middletown was postponed until next week. Discussion followed regarding a proposed free CC race for members. Bob suggested the Age vs Beauty race. More to come next month.

Racewalk- Maryann reported that there are 3 clinics scheduled for this season. She will offer one for youth before our 6/4 outdoor meet. A 20K race is needed before the Olympics. It may be able to be offered at our outdoor meet as well. 11/2/16 will be the 10K championship. Info on website.

Mountain/Ultra- Patrick Byrne reported that the 50K Bimbler's Bluff race can now be a USATF/CT event.

OLD BUSINESS

Bob proposed an addition to our bylaws regarding conflict of interest as stated in article 21. A motion to pass this was proposed by Jim Barber and seconded by Kristina Miner. The board voted unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

There will be a members only race 7/10/16. The Rose City USATF/CT Challenge will be a 5K race in Norwich at 10am. Mohegan Striders will provide support along with the Norwich police. Bob proposed a \$1000 budget. It will be a sanctioned race with prize money for winners. The board unanimously approved.

Outdoor/Open Master's Championship will be 6/4/16 at Bethel HS. There will be pre and day-of registration. Medal order will be done by me.

JO state Championship- 6/18/16 also at Bethel HS.

Future elections- Bob discussed the possibility of staggered election of board officers. National has different year cycles. More next month. He also suggested we formalize the job description of each office on the board.

Jim Barber moved to have Bob Gemske, treasurer, contact our bank regarding having 2 signatures on our accounts. Ron Daniel seconded the motion. It was approved unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15pm

Next meeting 5/11/16. Location TBD

Submitted by

Joyce Baiardi