

NEUSATF ANNUAL MEETING

LINCOLN, NE.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2008

ATTENDEES: Frosty Anderson, Ruth White, Rubin Carter, Tony Welchen, Lanesa Ballew-Holt, Clement Ballew, Dee Dee & Byron McKinley, Michael Hayek-Jones, Mike bowling, Wayne Smith, Cindy DeSantiago, Will Lindgren, Linda Barnhart, Mike Maryott, Bridgette Neemann, John Wissler, Steve Beideck, Nancy Sempek

Meeting was called to order by Frosty Anderson at 1:10pm

President's report: A question was raised on who can vote in our general meeting. Any USATF card holder can vote. It may change at the committee level. By our bylaws, we have a quorum with the number that attends our annual meeting.

Year in review: Thank you to all the board & chairs for the past 2 years.

2007 Accreditation: 8 required standards- NEUSATF met all 8. The additional 9 standards available- we met 7 of those. The remaining 2 standards are annual newsletter to every card member and the number of sports hosting championships.

Yearly Highlights: JO Youth Championships were in Nebraska this year. The LDR association has hosted a cascade of association championships. This Olympiad is the renewal for all certified officials. Tammy Ra' Jackson has been appointed as our Women's Track & Field Representative by Frosty Anderson.

Budget Review: New proposed budget of \$7,950.00. Motion to approve by Rubin Carter, 2nd Cindy DeSantiago. Motion passed after some discussion on the delegate to the annual convention & the newsletter expenses.

Treasurer: Mike bowling. We have 2 accounts and some CD's at the current time. Assets & Inventory will be broken down in our future budgets. Motion to approve by Clem Ballew, 2nd Mike Maryott. Motion approved.

Membership: Cindy DeSantigo. Cindy & Mike Bowling will work together on some changes in communication from membership to treasurer to clarify the various breakdowns of association deposits. There were 38 registered clubs this year. 33 youth, 3 LDR, 2 Masters. There were 44 sanctions of which 22 youth, 20 open, 2 masters, 23 Track & field, 19, LDR, 2 cross-country

There were 1589 NEUSATF members with a breakdown of 1261 youth, 328 adults. Cindy processed 715 members, the remaining were completed online.

LDR report: Will Lindgren. Mike Hayek-Jones moved to have LDR review held, motion died for lack of a second. There were 7 association championships for this year. We have had several Top Times in various events. The Nebraska Association is participating in the USA Club Championships. The Omaha Mile is September 27, 2008. Alice Schmidt will be participating. Please get out & support this great event. New corporate sponsors have been added this year. A complete report of LDR events & Nebraska participants is available from the LDR committee.

Officials: Mike Maryott. USATF is not sending out the new Olympiad official's cards until a 2009 USATF card is purchased by the official. If a club hosts a meet at least one National certified official needs to be present. Mike gets a print out of all the Nebraska officials. Nancy Sempek voiced her concern that we as a state do not require our officials to attend the Olympiad officials review (once every 4 years)

There was a discussion of access to membership data base. USATF has proprietary control over this. This item was tabled until new business.

Youth report: John Wissler. Memberships were up slightly. Every week from April 1st until end of July a Track & field youth meets was held. Starting October 1st there are 5 cross-country meets scheduled.

Workshop report: Ruth White/Cindy DeSantiago. Items discussed included requiring of state websites, diversity, conflict management, officials. Background checks were discussed at length and the insurance risks if a coach is not certified.

Bylaws: Due to issues from the USATF, Nebraska bylaws need to be revised. The areas of revision are removal from office and the grievance process. Ruth White, Linda Barnhart & Nancy Sempek were the bylaws revision committee. Ruth White & her committee moved to accept proposed changes to our bylaws. 2nd by Will Lindgren. Motion carried after discussion.

An arbitration panel will be chosen for the Grievance issues, consisting of a chair, at large & athlete. Anyone interested in submitting names should send to Nancy Sempek.

Election officers. Current Frosty Anderson President. Nominations from the floor. Mike Hayek-Jones nominated Will Lindgren. A vote was taken & Frosty Anderson was elected to another term.

Ruth White- 1st vp- elected by acclamation motion by Frosty Anderson, 2nd Will Lindgren. Rubin Carter 2nd vp- elected by acclamation motion by Frosty Anderson, 2nd John Wissler, Nancy Sempek- secretary, elected by acclamation motion by Frosty Anderson, 2nd Rubin Carter. Mike Bowling- treasurer, elected by acclamation motion by Frosty Anderson, 2nd by Rubin Carter. Approved new board.

New Business: a discussion was held regarding the ability to access our membership base. Frosty Anderson will speak the USATF regarding this issue.

Newsletter: it is required annually. It will be posted online and mailed. It can contain any information we want to present. All committees need to give Frosty input within 30 days of this meeting.

LDR discussion: Mike Hayek-Jones has issues with the conducting of the LDR committee. Linda Barnhart will have a committee meeting prior to November 1st. Date/time will be posted on the website.

Reminder- anyone can fill out a sanction request for a meet. LDR has assumed the responsibility for all adult groups other than officials.

Border State Athletes: There was some discussion on states ability to have members on a club from another state. LDR can have members from other states as part of their clubs. There is transfer paperwork involved from the 2 involved associations. Youth has also had members on clubs from bordering states. The National L & L committee is now stating this cannot be done. This is an item for further discussion at the youth meeting and the upcoming National convention.

Motion to adjourn by Will Lindgren, 2nd by Clem Ballew. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned by Frosty Anderson at 4:50pm.

Submitted by Nancy Sempek NEUSATF Secretary