

Minutes 2016 Annual Meeting 9/11/16

John called the meeting to order at 2:05 with introductions of those attending. Steve Irwin from the National office was in attendance.

John explained the process for elections and how the voting process would work today.

Minutes: The 2015 minutes were moved and seconded for approval. There were no changes. (Ruth White wanted to present a change in a Board of Directors published report to strike a sentence that said, "Ruth motioned to hold a new election." and inserting, "Ruth moved to uphold the the grievance")

Treasurer report: Keith Harris

The Treasury report was moved and seconded for approval.

Committee Reports:

Youth TammyRa Jackson

TammyRa reported that the youth had a great season. Missing are the plungers to the timing system and a brand new steel tape misplaced at the Association meet. Please check your inventory for these items. Next youth meeting will be held October 16th from 1-3 at Burke High School. One change she noted was that 15 & 16 and 17 & 18 age groups will be combined at the National Cross Country Meet for Team scores only.

LDR: Logan Watley

Logan was not in attendance. This year was the first year for an actual LDR committee as directed by our bylaws. He noted that the program has been better organized and executed than in previous years.

Officials: Mike Maryott

Mike reported we have 88 certified officials. He will attempt to get Lincoln clinic set up. He plans to plan one in Omaha in February or March. West Omaha coaches asked if there was a list of officials available to help at the youth meets. Tony Welchen asked if Husker officials were available for youth meets. Rubin commented about aging officials and opportunities for officials in Iowa or other states to help.

Membership: Cindy DeSantiago

As of September 5th total 1557 up from 2015 1540. 1278 youth athletes, 279 unattached or LDR members, and 84 registered officials. There are 36 clubs which is up by 2 from last year. 27 youth and 9 LDR clubs. There will be major changes in the sanction fees structure in 2017 which will take effect on November 1.

WebMaster: Darwin Gushard

The biggest change is that Open & Masters and Long Distance Running will have their own pages. Darwin encourages officers and committee chairs to send him information to post. A new thing this year is that Darwin can now send out mass emails to association members 18 and over.

President's report: John Wissler

John reported that the past year was about upheaval behind the scenes with the grievance filed over the 2014 officials election. This didn't affect youth athletes or the LDR program. This resulted in the censure of the officers. It was noted by the grievance panel that there was no intentional or malicious disregard for the regulations or the bylaws. John thanked Ruth White for her help in this matter.

A bright spot was the leadership of Logan Watley of the LDR committee. Our official numbers were up, club memberships and memberships were up, and we were fully accredited again this year.

Budget for 2017 John Wissler

John presented the budget for 2017. Tony Welchen again brought up the discussion about why LDR was giving payouts from our association budget. Keith Harris put a motion on the floor to table the 2017 budget until a new board is named and they can establish their own budget. It was seconded and approved.

Annual meeting:

Those interested in attending the annual meeting in Orlando, Florida November 30th to December 4th were written down. We are allotted 13 and now have 17 interested.

Bylaws: Wayne Smith

Wayne Smith reported the process of having new bylaws drawn up for our association. There was a motion to approve the bylaws and it was seconded to approve the new bylaws submitted 9/11/16. There was a motion by Keith Harris to have a bylaws committee to review the bylaws every two years. It was seconded and approved.

A proposal by Keith Harris to administer a Youth Scholarship. After much discussion, the motion to discuss and propose a scholarship during 2017. It was seconded and approved. The details to be worked on during 2017.

Elections:

The elections were held and the results are as follows:

President: Rubin Carter

1st Vice Pres: Keith Harris

2nd Vice Pres: Erica Sousek

Secretary: Suzie Pierce

Treasurer: Jim Clark

Motion to adjourn at 5:00 seconded and approved.

Committee Elections were then held and the results are as follows:

Youth: TammyRa Jackson

LDR: Colin Morrissey (by acclamation)

Officials: Mike Maryott (by acclamation)

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie Cizek Secretary