

USATF 3 Rivers Association

2011 Annual Meeting

Sunday, September 25, 2011

Name	Position	Name	Position
Frank Rodenbaugh	President	Linda Phelps	Vice- President
Noel Webb	Treasurer	Nicole T. Berry	Secretary
Cindy Long	Membership Chair	Bruce Long	Official Chair
John A. Knabb	Board Member at Large /Official	Joe Obeldobel	Board Member at Large/Official
Oronde Shariff	Youth Chair	Liza Simmons	Official , Board Member at Large
Lowell Wetzel	Official /Board Member at Large	Mark Schwartz	Open/Masters Chair
Joe Sarver	LDR Chair		

President's Report - Frank informed attendees that the Three Rivers Association had received full accreditation status. Frank explained the process for achieving accreditation. A form was distributed that listed key areas each association must satisfy to receive accreditation. It is important for an association to maintain the recommended standards. Failure to achieve accreditation can result in an association being merged into another neighboring association. Three Rivers met eight of the nine standards. Frank noted that we will be required to hold a Coaches Educational Workshop in 2012.

Treasurer's Report – Noel presented the financial report. She advised that the Profit and Loss statement (P&L) will need to be updated with assistance from members of the Board. Expenses reflect how money was spent in each category. Income includes commissions paid to the Association for tee shirt and concession stand during the Association and Regional Championships. (*See associated documents IF YOU SAY SEE ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS, THEY NEED TO BE ATTACHED.*) Linda reported that a financial Audit Committee was formed to audit and to analyze our financial accounts. . Linda gave a report on the status of the 2010 Audit.

Vice President – Linda Phelps advised attendees of new voting process for officers (Balanced Meeting Ballot) which was approved by the June 2011 revisions to the by-laws. Linda distributed a document that explained the voting process which accounts for a total of a maximum of 100 votes. Everyone casting a vote must be a current member of USATF Track and Field. Credentialed voters will be given a voting paddle.. She further explained that the office of Vice President had been split into two positions. A 1st Vice President for administration who will chair the Law and Legislation Committee and a 2nd Vice President for financial matters who will chair the Budget and Audit Committee.

Membership – Cindy reported on the status of membership of the Association. We currently have 2700 members with 117 Coaching Background checks completed. She noted that Age Verification for Youth members must be completed within a month of membership processing. Also, Coaches entering data for their athletes must enter the athlete's information instead of the coach's contact information. The USATF office needs to be able to contact the member. Coaches should update any changes into the membership profile.

Officials – Bruce reported that we started with 80 officials at the end of 2010. We have now increased to 98 in 2011. Bruce noted that this is not uncommon to have an increase as we approach the Olympiad. As a result of the increased number of officials we will have 2 votes for officials meetings at the USATF Annual meeting instead of 1. Bruce reported that we had conducted an Officials clinic at W&J. Bruce has met with new coach at W&J and noted that he would like to continue the close relationship we have had with the school. Bruce is working on NCAA schedule for officials for track meets for the spring of 2012.

Open and Masters Track – Mark Schwartz reported on the Open and Youth Indoor track meet last winter held at the GREAT center in Ohio. He noted that the meet had been well attended by TRA athletes. This upcoming year plans are to hold the meet at Youngstown State University in February. Mark also reported that this summer's Open and Master's meet held in conjunction with our Youth Association Championship meet attracted 33 athletes which was an increase from previous years.

LDR - Joe Sarver reported that our Association 5K Championship was held in August in Wheeling West Virginia in conjunction with the Debbie Green 5K. Our 10K Championship will be held in November.. Since we have held several of our championships in Wheeling, Joe asked what the status was on TRA retaining the 4 WV counties that have been in our association. Frank explained that the USATF National Office was considering taking the 4 counties from us and giving them to the WV Association. He noted however that WV does not want them as they are geographically removed from the rest of the WV Association. Frank noted this would be further discussed at the Executive Board meeting .

Youth Report - Oronde Submitted a report summarizing youth participation data from this summer's National Junior Olympics Championships. (*See Associated Document. IF YOU SAY SEE ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS, THEY NEED TO BE ATTACHED.*)) Oronde noted that the Association's Cross Country Championship would be held November 6, 2011 at the University of California's Roadman Park.

New Business - Oronde questioned if we will have a chance to have workshops on the new LYNX timing system. Bruce explained that the Association had received a grant for \$2,000 to help complete purchase of a new timing system. Equipment was received and used on a limited basis this year.

- Cindy noted we now have a new license for our HYTEK meet management software.

Election Voting Process - Linda further explained the new voting process in detail prior to the Association's elections. Voters are distributed into five constituencies (Member clubs – 50 votes, Coaches 10 votes, Officials – 10 votes, Athletes – 20 votes and Officers and members of the Executive Board – 10 votes). Each voter gets only one vote and their membership must be current and reflect that constituency. See attachment, Exhibit A from the By-Laws .Linda explained the paddle usage format. Paddles have the name of the voter and their assigned constituency . The following slate of candidates was presented for the election:

President	Frank Rodenbaugh
1 st Vice President	John Knabb
2 nd Vice President	Linda Phelps
Secretary	Nicole Berry
Treasurer	Noel Webb
Track & Field	Mark Schwartz
LDR	Joe Sarver
Officials	Bruce Long
Athletes	Justin Clickett
	Kathy Hay
	Jeff Weiss
Executive Board At Large (4)	Brenda Ansell *
	Chuck Davis *
	Joe Obeldobel *
	Liza Simmons *
	Lowell Wetzel *

Youth Committee

Youth Chair	Liza Simmons *
	Oronde Sharif *
1 st Chair	Chuck Davis
2 nd Chair	Marion Key
3 rd Chair	LaTonya Sharif
Secretary	Becci Carter
Treasurer	Nicole Logan

- **CONTESTED ELECTION**

No additional nominations from the floor were made. At this point the meeting broke down into specific constituencies for appropriate voting. The only overall association contested election involved election of the four At Large Executive Board members. The only other contested election was in the Youth constituency where there was a contested election for Youth Chair. Linda, Lowell and Cindy were appointed to count votes. Following voting the following results in addition to the uncontested races were announced:

4 At Large Executive Board Members: Brenda Ansell, Chuck Davis, Joe Obeldobel, and Lowell Wetzel.

Youth Chair – Oronde Sharif

The only other matter discussed involved the Officials committee where Bruce noted that the revised By-Laws now allow for the Officials Chair to be assisted by two other officials, forming the Officials Committee. Following discussion, Lowell Wetzel and John Knabb were appointed to assist Bruce.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:20 pm

