

USATF Annual Meeting
University of Pittsburgh/Zoom

10/15/2023

4:00pm

Attendance:

Jim Crist

Chris Hardie

Eric Mausser

John Wilson

Charliese Davis

Nichole Berry

Becci Carter

Orande Sharrif

Rob Shaviss

Latonya Mullens

Steve Meddings

Ron

Joyce Norris

Lauren

Terri Bone

Bruce Long

Araina Graham

Noel Webb

Mark Schwartz

Nicole C.

Ngozi Fitzpatrick

Meets:

Do we have enough meets to host masters and youth?

Association may have to add meets

Are we outsourcing timing system? Do we have enough people to assist with timing?

- Steve will continue to do volunteer list

Accreditation:

Accreditations are good

Grants:

We got the 5,000 grant to grow open/masters athletes. 75% of the budget went to open/masters the other 25% went to youth.

Ways to recruit:

People willing to go to high school meets (states, WIPAL, charter schools etc.)

Not enough advertisement for the youth. Create Youth materials to send out to high schools, middle schools, and churches

Send materials to coaches, guidance counselors, and Athletic Directors

How can we get high school coaches to transition to club coach

- Oronde suggest to have a subcommittee to put together to reach out to coaches
 - Steve, Oronde, Joyce, Nicole Logan
 - Email Steve if interested

Indoor Meets for youth:

Partnering with Youngstown State (combining with high school meets)

Spots fill quickly. Rob can ask Don to hold 10 spots

This upcoming indoor season: possibly Spire (in discussion)

Youth indoor championships

Women's Commission (Nicole Berry is transitioning into role) (new position)

Charliese is transitioning to Safe Sport

2023-2024- Coaches

Working on Level 2 training course to be hosted at CMU (late July-August)

Gary Audright head track coach willing to host as well

Officials

More training opportunities (field events)

Getting trained on different things such as Weights and measures

- Pole vault clinic
- Constructing a pole vault pit
- Race walk
- Bruce, Terry, Chris Cruger (volunteers)
- Chris Cruger has people that may can assist with pole vault training

Youth/OM Youth Summit

Rob and Latonya to go to meeting (Youth Summit Oct 19-22) to discuss and improve youth programming

“Partnership” with USATF and Speed Capital

Do we have any questions to take to summit

Ex: Why are we getting ribbons vs medals

Email Latony Subject: Youth Summit

Finances:

New Quick Books 2023 FINISHED!!

Look of financial report will look a little different to make more readable

Budget review still in progress

Filed extension on Tax returns

Moving forward for 2024: Printed checks?

- Request a printer to print checks

Working on breaking down categories (Youth, CC, and Masters)

Sanction Fees: Monies that USATF gave us

Sanctions Owed: Fees charged based on the number of athletes attending a meet

Vote to raise sanction fees

P3R pays more for marathon

300 dollar check from East Allegheny meet (where does it go)?

- The 300 dollars is to go to timing. Money should be mailed back to 3 Rivers Association
- Each team that hosted a meet is to submit 300 dollars back to association from timing. (East Allegheny turned their check in, Next Level did not cash check, Penn Hills needs to submit check)

Association:

\$1000 less on Entry fees

But had increased gate admissions

Locked the back gate this year

Why was admission fees 1000 dollars less. What were entries from this year from last year?

- Things that could have affected admissions:
 - More finals were on Saturday vs. Sunday

Are we giving receipts for tax purposes to our vendors?

Trainers not there the whole day (2 were supposed to be there every day). Trainer no call no show. They were not paid due to not fulfilling contract

Hospitality donated half of profit to association

Voted to help assist Region meet. (Paid Nicole Logan, Steve, and Bruce)

Are we going to have programs this year

Masters:

Indoor: 6 men 3 women

Outdoor meet Spire: 7men 3 women

Mark will email

LDR:

Nick Wolk (Pitt)

Collin Martin

Partnered with Lake Erie for Open and Masters (not a large membership)

- Split the cost of officials (Jo declined)

Grand Prix series lock and discover (not a lot of membership 5/6 participants)

Why are we giving out medals for masters meet? (Tabled)

Championships

- Working with p3r
- Expand to Erie (Flagship)

Need someone for 10 year athlete

Law and Legislation:

No report

Officials:

64 total officials

- 7 new officials

Meets that need officials for 2024 outdoor season

Bill Phelps officiated Great Race

April 6th looking for 4-5 race walk officials for RMU meet

Paying officials? Tabled to become a committee meeting

Do we need officials for Associations and CC?

- Joyce to volunteer for CC meet

Youth:

June 22-23 (SRU) Associations

July 11th weekend (4 day week model) in New Jersey

Youth combined events meet will be June 24-25 Icon Stadium in NY

June 26th-29 Youth National Outdoor Meet Icon stadium

JO July 22-28 @ Texas AM

CC association Champ Nov 11 @ white Oak Park

No region 2 meet next year or the year after for CC

- Top 15 in each age division will advance will advance to CC
- And top 2 teams
 - Need to do a wavier of request needs to go to YEC for approval
- March 8-10 Indoor National in Louisville

Vote by acclimation to keep same positions (unanimous)

National Meeting attendance:

Ngozi

Aaina

Terri B

Rob S.

Latonya S

Mark H

Mark S

Nicole L

Joe R

Meeting adjourned 6:35pm