July 2018 USATF NM Meeting
July 12, 2018

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1) Call to Order: Quorum met 7:09

Board and Committee Members: Brian Osterloh, Gretchen Futey, Tasha Boyden, David Lopez, Carl Crook, Carl Brasher, Rhiny Williams, Marlinda Pecos, Teddy Mitchell, Art Fuldauer

Other Attendees: Scott Fister, LCSD; Cody Lee, Sol; Rob Cutchen, CTC; Team Ha’aanu, Acoma RC, Walatowa, AAT

2) Reading of Minutes of Preceding Meeting:

Motion to forego the reading of the previous minutes by Tasha. 2nd by Art. All in favor. Motion passes.

3) Special New Business: Current Secretary position declared vacated. Motion to name Carl Crook to fill in the remaining 2 months and be appointed as Secretary prior to Sept. 1st by Brian. 2nd by ?. All in favor. Motion passes.

4) Report of Officers and Committees:

President: Brian Osterloh:
We had over 500 athletes compete in the state meet which is a record.
Both timing clocks and the cables need to be repaired.
Brian will be switching the lenses of the cameras.
The association purchased a new printer during the state meet.
Need to consider a new storage location due to being accosted by the staff.
Need to check with Cleveland HS about the long jump pit mesh cover. We paid $1840 to use their stadium, so the cost for repairing or replacing the cover is negligible because we paid close to $5000 for Milne. We would like to keep using that facility and a good will gesture would be to replace the cover. We need to contact them to see what they want so we stay in their good graces.

A top national official was seriously injured in the regional meet in the discus event when he was struck in the head while not paying attention near the competition area. The official was very experienced and was attended to by ER doctors on scene immediately following the injury. Reminder: no matter how skilled or accustomed you are to the events, take care that you are aware of your surroundings when around the throwing events.

We are 20 members lower than we were last year. 1093 versus 1113 last year during the same time. We have had over 1400 members in recent years.

Managing Director: Gretchen Futey:
Nothing significant. Membership numbers are doing well. 1096 today. 27 active and approved clubs.

Treasurer: David Lopez:
We received a $3000 check due to the number of sanctioned meets we had this past year.

Secretary: Carl Crook
Happy to be here and serve in this capacity. Looking forward to being a part of this great team.
Motion by Rhiny to accept officer reports. 2nd by Brasher. All in favor. Reports accepted as presented.

**Committee Chair Reports:**

**Certification (Officials):** Rhiny Williams:

Apologies to Jerome Fisher for not being able to process his official application due to technical difficulties. His information has still not been processed as of today. Rhiny is trying to resolve the issues through the national office. (Brian requested him to forward correspondence to him so that he can attempt to help him resolve the issue.) The accreditation board will need to know this is happening because there are several people who are interested in being officials and we need to get it to people who can resolve it. The new process or “internship” is a questionable practice and his vote or opinion alone doesn’t carry much weight to oppose it. There is a grant program out there for folks to apply for funding to be able to go to the national meet as an official. We would like to have our folks apply for the grant and be able to work these meets regardless of level of the official. You do not need to be a national official to go.

The National Senior Games in ABQ is being coordinated by Rhiny and is an opportunity for our officials to get involved. The meet will need volunteers and officials. 14-25th of June next year are the dates.

Discussion from Brian: We plan to pay the certified officials by renewing their memberships a year at a time. It is important to value the officials we have, and this would be one way to show appreciation. If your membership expires you need to go through the process again and paying their membership fees would be a way of preventing this.

Rhiny suggests officials go through the process of renewing memberships and Safesport to prevent losing official status due to this easily avoidable issue.

**Cross Country:** Marlinda Pecos

No report

**Equipment:** Carl Brasher

The dolly is fixed, the starting block cart as well.

**LDR:** Michael Daney - absent

No report

**Public Relations & Media:** Josh Clark - absent

No report

**Race Walking:** Art Fuldauer

They are having a new event called “Power Walking” in the Senior Games due to the difficulty of the seniors doing the Race Walk event. There are around 70 people signed up for it.

2 of our master’s officials stepped up at the Region 10 Championship Meet and assisted in the racewalk. CO didn’t have officials for it. Cassandra Osterloh, Ron Lattimer, and Geraldo Cionelo filled in for several positions in addition to judging the racewalk. They represented the association well and their work is very much appreciated.

**Youth Athletics:** Arlena Dickerson - absent

No report

Motion by Tasha to accept the reports as presented. 2nd. All in favor. Reports accepted as presented.
5) Unfinished Business:
None

6) New Business:

2018 youth cross country schedule:

Discussion:

The date of September 15th on the NM State University campus is the Kachina Classic and Desert Springs Christian
Academy event.

Conflicting events: Metro is Oct 13, RRHS Jamboree is Oct 20, Nov 2-3 is HS districts and Nov 10th is the NM HS state
meet.

Proposed schedule:

Sept 1 - UNM Invitational
Sept 8 – Las Cruces Sun Dragons
Sept 15 - Kachina Classic
Sept 22 - AAT
Sept 29 - Acoma RC
Oct 6 - NM Sol
Oct 13 - Team Ha’anu
Oct 21 Walatowa (Sunday) possibly on Saturday the 20th - would be an afternoon meet
Oct 27 CTC
Nov 3 state meet?

Discussion:

CTC is out of town on the Sept 29 weekend and will not participate in Sunday meets. Acoma is busy the 1st or 2nd
weekend in Oct. - unsure which.

Due to the conflict of athletes running in district and state HS meets they will be waived through to regionals but they
must be signed up for the association championships to advance.

Possible locations of the state meet: Walatowa, Acoma, or Albuquerque Academy. Research and permission to use these
locations will be done and available locations will be reported back to association.

Gretchen makes motion and Tasha 2nds to accept the schedule as proposed. All in favor. Schedule accepted as
proposed.

Gretchen needs those clubs hosting meets to put them on the schedule by the end of July. Request the date and mark
tentative, if necessary, and put a location so she can have time to get it sanctioned and approved. The process is tedious,
and she needs them to be entered ASAP.

LCSD looking for a location to host their meet and they have a couple of options. Hopefully, near the river in the pecan
orchards.

Motion to adjourn by Brian and 2nd by Tasha.

7) Adjournment: 8:23 PM