



## Pending approval at April Meeting.

Maine Association of USATF  
Executive Board

March 13, 2005  
Wendy's in Augusta

**Members Present:** Valaree Foss, Paul Morency, Rolland Ranson, John Sinclair, Kevin Russell, Dennis Kunces, Suzanne Hussey

**Meeting Called to Order:** President Valaree Foss called the meeting to order at 1410 hrs.

**Secretary's Report:** Minutes were accepted as read, motion made by (KR), seconded by (JS), and passed unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report:** Dennis reported that the association has \$5500.16 in the checking account. Motion made to accept the report as read by (PM), seconded by (KR), passed unanimously. Dennis also reported that the savings bond has been sent to Jennifer Monsulick, the winning entry in our medal design contest.

### Committee Reports:

**Athlete Membership:** Paul reported that as of March 11, 2005 we have 147 members in ME-USATF. We also have 16 crossover association members; we will not be counting these members as they are not counted in our total for USATF stats.

**Clubs and Sanctioned Events:** Clubs: 21 Sanctions: 1

**Officials:** Don reported via letter to the board as he was preparing to go away on a trip that he has three clinics for officials scheduled.

1. April 2, 2005 Maranacook HS, Readfield, ME Time: 0900hrs.  
Contact person is Jean Roesner at [jean.roesner@maranacook.org](mailto:jean.roesner@maranacook.org)
2. April 9, 2005 Bath Middle School, Bath, ME Time: 9-12:30pm.  
Contact person is Dave Watson at [wdwatson@suscom-maine.net](mailto:wdwatson@suscom-maine.net)
3. April 10, 2005 Town Council Chambers Municipal Office Building in Orono. Time:1-4: 30 pm.  
Contact person is Mary Cady at [mary.cady@umit.maine.edu](mailto:mary.cady@umit.maine.edu) or Don Berry at [chemman@pivot.net](mailto:chemman@pivot.net)

You can now download materials for officials tests and registration forms on our web site at [www.meusatf.org](http://www.meusatf.org) or go to the official's section of the web page.

**Open & Master's T&F:** Joanne reported by letter that she and Val will be setting up a meeting with Bates College, Bowdoin College, and USM to get a firm date for next year's indoor

Championship. Future dates, possibly future years worth of, indoor meet(s), should also be proposed and she and Val should have dates in mind before the meeting so there is no need to come before the board to see if they are alright. Discussion followed on this matter, and the board also asked Rolland Ranson to be part of this process and he agreed.

**Outdoor Championship Meet:** Will be held in Lewiston, Me. at Lewiston HS - Franklin Pastures Athletic Complex on August 5-6 2005. More information to follow along with entry form.

**Developmental Meets** for 15-18 Yr. Olds / Open / Sub-Master & Master Athletes: In 2004, we arranged to have meets geared for the 15-18 year old athletes. After examining sites and attendance for the 2004 meets it was agreed that for 2005, meets for these athletes will be combined with the Open/Sub-Master & Master Athletes, with events geared to them (15-18) and competing in their respective age/gender divisions. Awards – A medal will be given to first place winner and ribbons to second and third place. There will be a tri-fold informational pamphlet regarding these meets being finalized for print in July. If you would like one please make contact with Val at (207) 474-8876 or [metrkfld@usadatanet.net](mailto:metrkfld@usadatanet.net) We'll also be sending out flyers to the clubs in the area as well as being posted on the web site. Web Site Address: [www.meusatf.org](http://www.meusatf.org)

**Note: Please be advised that June 18<sup>th</sup> 2005, is the Region 1 Qualifying Meet USATF JO's for the 15-18 year old athletes. More information to follow.**

**Race Walk:** No Report Given. Tom was away with some race walkers in Landover, MD.

**LDR:** Kevin has sent out information about the Assoc. Athlete Development Program to all clubs via e-mail. Val spoke to Kevin about making contact with Randy Bartlett Meet Director for the Eliot Festival Day 5K; she will get Kevin the contact information.

**Youth Athletics:** Ron was unable to attend due to the SNOW in southern Maine. He did advise that he was working on a schedule for the summer youth program. He is also working on dates for our Region 1 qualifying meet.

**Cross Country:** Val asked Suzanne Hussey if she would be interested in accepting the Cross Country Chair position. Suzanne accepted the Chair appointment. Chair responsibilities were briefly explained to Suzanne and Val will make contact with Marty Thornton (Past Cross Country Chair), so that Marty may go into more depth on the Chair responsibilities with Suzanne, with more discussion to follow between Val & Suzanne.

#### **Old Business:**

**15-18 Year Old meets:** Val requested that the 15-18 meets be part of the July series of meets and that their championship be combined into the Open and Masters Championship meet. **Note: Please be advised on June 18<sup>th</sup> 2005, this meet is for the Region 1 Qualifying Meet for the 15-18 year old athletes.** The board agreed and John Sinclair stated that this could be done with minor changes to the Outdoor Championship Meet schedule.

**Blistered Foot:** Val reported that it was mailed out on February 1, 2005, with the extra printed

newsletter mailed out to clubs. It is also on the Internet at [www.meusatf.org](http://www.meusatf.org)

**Directors & Officers Insurance:** Val reported that she had checked with the national office as it was put out at the Associations conference that this would be “free” in the coming months. The insurance is now \$ 600.00 per year unless your association is doing background checks, at this time Maine has not done this and will wait for more guidance from the national office on the matter.

**APRIL 1, 2005: All clubs must be registered with ME. USATF if you do not want to pay the filing fee imposed by the national office of USATF of an extra \$ 150.00. Plus your \$ 50.00 club fee. Reminders have been sent out since January 2005 and in March. Val will again send out one more reminder via e-mail & USPS in case someone did not receive the information. ME-USATF sees no monies from this \$ 150.00 fee.**

**New Business:**

**2005 Youth Summer Time Meet Schedule & Region 1 Qualifying Meet Dates:** Ron is working on the youth summer time schedule. He has in mind at this time that the **14-Under** Region 1 Qualifying meet dates **either June 30<sup>th</sup> or July 2**, and the **15-18 year olds** meet on **June 18<sup>th</sup> 2005**. More information to follow.

**Club Penalty for not registering club’s youth athletes by the third scheduled meet:** Tabled by the board till more input is received from Ron on the matter.

**Cultural Exchange Header:** Val requested that this be removed from the secretary’s report, as there is no active program going on at the national level and no programs in our area. Board members agreed that this would be removed and brought back if more information were to become available in the future.

**2005 Chair Appointments:** Val reported that there was a clerical error made in the minutes of the 2004-2005 annual meeting and that the chair’s appointments were not listed. They will remain the same as in 2004, with Suzanne Hussey taking over the Cross Country Chair position as of this date. Other **Chair position still vacant: Women’s LDR.**

**Freihofer’s Eastern Region Masters Program:** Val has had Marty place the letter of information on the web site.

Meeting adjourned at 1613 hrs

**Next meeting will be held after the Officials Clinic at Bath Junior HS at about 1-1:30 pm on April 9, 2005.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Paul W. Morency  
Secretary