



Members Present: Valaree Foss, Mary Helen Baldwin, Don Berry, Dennis Kunces, Paul Morency, Joanne Petkus and Ron Kelly.

President Valaree Foss called the meeting to order at 1954 hrs.

Secretary's Report: Motion made by (DB), seconded by (JP) to accept the minutes of the last meeting, passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Dennis reported that we have \$8,976.43 in checking at the present time. Motion was made by (DB) the CD's will remain at given locations at the present time at the 60 day mark of the 91 day CD we will look at interest rates again and time to put them into...etc, Don tabled motion till Ron could arrive for the meeting to discuss item.

Committee Reports:

Officials: Don Berry was awarded a Chairs Award from National Officials Chair Linda Melzer for his outstanding work on the by-laws revisions to the national officials committee and work he has done for the past year with the board of National Officials.

Don reported that there is a new shirt in the works that is much more comfortable and lighter to wear during the hot summer months, the shirt will be the same colors, but will not have the USATF patch on it, as it then can be used at NCAA championships and other such meets.

At the first of the year Don will be contacting all officials that have not re-certified and see if they intend to do so and have them submit paperwork.

Ron Kelly arrived for the meeting.

Masters/Open: Joanne reported that the Masters Committee had awarded Spokane, WA the 2008 outdoor meet.

Gordon Edmunds of the Charlotte NC meet this summer wanted to know if we wanted to purchase left over medals from his meet for ours in 2007. The board voted not to purchase these medals as we have our own design.

Joanne will try to contact the USM person for the field house when she gets home, as we are looking at a late February date at Bowdoin. The board tabled the entry forms till we have a site.

Race Walk: Mary Helen reported that there maybe a change were in National & IAAF competitions the chief judge may only judge the last 100 meters of a race.

David Baldwin was awarded a contributor award by the National Race Walk Board of USATF for his work this past summer at the Junior Nationals held in Bar Harbor, ME and the work he did with the Race Walk camp during that week the walkers were in Maine.



Youth Athletics: Ron reported that Maine had about three full teams, and some individuals that qualified for the National Cross Country Championships in RI. Ron will be making the trip down to the meet.

We are still waiting for sanction fee monies and some club member's fees from the summer program; Ron will contact those in question.

Associations: Valaree reported that as of 2006 the fees for membership will stay the same, as for 2007 there has been very heated discussions about the youth fee going up, we have pressed Maine's point of view very hard at each meeting, along with the youth committee. As for the Adult fees they may see an increase as Masters Committee Chair wants an increase, will know how this all pays out in June 2006.

The board voted for Officers & Board Insurance policy to be bought by Dec 31, 2005. Paperwork will be sent to the National Office in the coming week.

Final touches are being done to the background checks policy. Paul Morency of the Maine contingent was interviewed by the new head of the review board, Judge Martin, and will know if he is on the national appeals panel after names are submitted to President Bill Roe.

M/W & Masters LDR: Tabled

Cross Country: Tabled

New Business: Ron made motion to not have a second awards dinner for the cross-country winners in late January, and to mail them their awards. Seconded by (DK), and passed.

Ron asked for an officials clinic in the southern part of the state this spring, Don advised him want we would need to put the clinic on and that we would be more than happy to do so, just name the place and time so we can get the information out.

Respectfully Submitted,

Paul W. Morency
Secretary