



Attendees: Valaree Foss, Paul Morency, Taylor Harmon, Roland Ranson, Ron Kelly, Marty Kahler, Dennis Kunces, Jerry LeVasseur, David C Young, John Sinclair, Stephen Foss. Guests: Ben Kahler and Debbie Grant.

President Foss called the ME-USATF Annual meeting to order at 2:30pm.

**Secretary's Report:** October minutes were accepted as read, motion made by (JL), seconded by (MK) and passed unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report:** Dennis reported that we have \$ 9,755.56 in our basic checking account. Motion was made by (MK), and seconded by (JS), and passed unanimously.

### **Committee Reports:**

**Athlete Membership:** Paul had reported that we had 1577 for 2007 and 57 at the start of the meet we just concluded for 2008. We registered 29 new people at the meet today for a total of 86 in 2008 so far.

**Clubs and Sanctions:** Clubs: 49 Sanctions: 47 for 2007

**Officials:** No Report

**Masters/Open:** No Report

**Race Walk:** No Report.

**M/W Masters LDR:** Jerry reported that the LDR Grand Prix Series has ended for the year with the Maine Track Club being the overall winners. The plaque has been given to Jerry to give to the Maine Track Club till next year when they will have to defend it to keep it for another year.

Jerry is planning a meeting in Freeport on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of December 2007 at Pedro O'Hara's to discuss the next year in the Grand Prix Series and decide whose meets we will use and the prize structure for the meets.

Old Hallowell Days meet will be added and Jerry will get with the sponsors of the meet to arrange details.

Val made motion to fund the Grand Prix Series of LDR at its current level of \$1000.00 for the coming year (2008). Motion passed.

**Cross Country:** Taylor and his helpers did a very good job on the course setting for the MEUSATF Youth State Cross County Championship & Region 1 Qualifier that MEUSATF just finished up this afternoon before the meeting.

**Youth Athletics:** Ron reported that the cross county season has just ended in the state of Maine, with the Region 1 meet and Nationals left to go.

### **Old Business:**

**2008 Membership Rates:** Done in last minutes report.



**2008 Dates:** Rolland has asked the University of Maine for the last weekend in February 2008 as the date for the Youth/Open/Masters Indoor Championship T&F Meet.

**2009 Coaches Level Clinic:** Paul to follow up with Pat Pretty at the 2007 USATF convention and see which level of clinic MEUSATF will need to host and to try and get a tentative date for the 2009 Coaches Level Clinic.

**2008 Validation Stamps:** Have been received. The unused 2007 validation stamps will be returned to the National Office in exchange for 2008 validation stamps.

**Internet Connection:** Val reported that she is now connected to high speed Internet; her **NEW** e-mail address is: [metrkfld@roadrunner.com](mailto:metrkfld@roadrunner.com)

**New Business:**

**2007/ 2008 Coaches Background Checks:** Val made motion to have all board and chairpersons have a background check done this coming year - 2008. Motion passed.

Paul reminded all present that the Background Checks are good for one year from date listed on Association web site. All coaches of youth teams should have this done before the start of any club practice in 2008.

**Open & Masters X-C 2008 Memberships to Maine Based Runners:** 2008 USATF Membership Award recipients are: Steve Moriarty, Tom Hathaway, Pat Buckley and Susan Weimer for placing within the top runners of their age division at the MEUSATF 2007 Open & Master's Cross County Championship Meet. Val will update their memberships for 2008.

Val made a motion to continue on awarding a USATF membership to the top Maine based male and female runner(s) for the next current year(s) within the LDR Cross County program. Motion passed.

**2007 Expenses & Credits Masters Meet:** Ron will take a look at the expenses ME-USATF incurred for the tee shirt sales and items sold at the Masters Meet and get with Rolland on a final amount that the Track & Field Gifts Account may expect to receive.

Meeting adjourned at 3:17pm.

Next meeting will be in Augusta at Taylor Harmon residence on the 13<sup>th</sup> of Jan 2008, with a snow date of 20 Jan 2008 at 1pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Paul Morency  
Secretary