



Attendees: Attendees: Valaree Foss, Paul Morency, Don Berry, Ron Kelly, Rolland Ranson, Marty Kahler, Taylor Harmon, John Sinclair, David Colby Young and Tavi Norton.

President Foss called the meeting to order at 14:28 hr.

Secretary's Report: October 2008 minutes were accepted as read, motion made by (JS), seconded by (DB) and passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Dennis reported that we have \$8,309.11 in our account. Motion was made by (JS), and seconded by (MK), and passed unanimously.

Committee Reports:

Athlete Membership: Paul had reported that we had 1654 as of today's date.

Clubs and Sanctions: Clubs: 51 Sanctions: 59

Officials: Don reported that officials can now start taking the certification exams, they are on line at: www.uastfofficials.com under the training section. Don has clarified that insurance for the officials is in the budget as he just returned from the budget meeting, will be coming out of memberships account.

Masters/Open: David Colby Young reported that we had 4 clubs in the Grand Prix series, 66 participants in total for the nine race series. Jerry has asked that money in the account go to gift certificates for a total of \$1600.00 in total. What ever money we have in the account should go to this with the Maine Running making up any difference in the balance. The planning meeting for next year's - 2009 races will be at Pedro's Restaurant in Freeport, Me., after the Jingle Bell race. There will be a nine race series, with five races counting towards series champion, those races to be determined at the meeting. Motion was made that Maine USATF (Open & Master's Cross Country Championship meet) award only championship medals, Gold, Silver, Bronze at ME-USATF Championship Meet. Seconded by (MK), passed unanimously.

Maine Track Club is the 2008 Team Winner of the Grand Prix Series and will be given the plaque to keep for one year, till they have to defend it again in 2009. This presentation will be done at the December 7th meeting in Freeport.

Race Walking: Val reported for Tom that he and others have published a new instructional booklet which is geared for Youth Race Walking athletes. To place an order, the web site is: www.racewalking.org/books.htm

Cross Country: Taylor did an excellent job in getting a wet course ready for our meet today and ME-USATF would like to thank all those that helped out today.



Youth Athletics: Ron reported that we had about 100 kids for the Region 1 Qualifying Meet and we had a good response to the number of athletes that will be going to New York for Region 1 Cross Country. ME-USATF would like to thank the Canadian contingent that made the trip down to the meet, good competition was had by all.

New Business:

Payment for X-C Workers: It was agreed by the board that we would accept mileage for the meet as in the past, instead of payment of a set amount. Val will send to Ron & Dennis the list of names of others who should be compensated for helping out at today's meet.

Indoor 2009 ME-USATF Championship Meet: Rolland was asked by Val to book the University of Maine-Orono site for the last Sunday in February 2009, which would make the date the 22nd of February. Mark your calendars as more information will follow.

Grievance Committee: Val appointed Ron Kelly, Rolland Ranson and Christine Lipsky as panel members.

Association Medals: Ron was asked to order the amount we will need for the coming year or two.

Secretary Replacement: Motion was made to replace Wendy Serbent as Association secretary, with Tavi Norton. Wendy has other commitments that prevent her from attending meetings. Seconded by (MK), passed unanimously by the board.

National Convention: Rolland reported that there will not be a National Master's Championship meet bid till next year at 2009 convention for the 2012 National Masters Championship Meet, so he has declined to attend convention this year, he was replaced by Marty Kahler.

Old Business:

Coaches Clinic: Marty Kahler has a list from Rolland of the people to contact as instructors. Marty will be looking into the price of the clinic per registrant and get back to us with a figure and number of persons we need to cover costs. Marty is looking at holding the clinic the later part of March 2009 in the Portland/Gorham area.

Lewiston Club Sanction: Ron reported that he has the list of names and will start work on that after Region 1 X-C Meet. John suggested that all correspondence in this matter be sent to Maggie Chisholm at Lewiston Recreation. Val will follow up with John in reference to a contact address and number.

Certificate of Awards: Tabled

Rain Date Youth Meets Qualifier Meets: Tabled

Action Photo's Youth: Tabled



2010 Region 1 T&F: Tabled

Meeting adjourned at 15:28 hours.

Next meeting to be determined sometime in December at convention as a work session as to what is happening at 2008 National convention.

Respectfully Submitted,

Paul Morency
Secretary ProTem