



Attendees: Valaree Foss, Ron Kelley, Rolland Ranson, John Sinclair, Dennis Kunces, Stephen Foss, Stefanie Worster and Tavi Norton.

President Foss called the Annual Meeting to order at 1:20 PM

Secretary's Report: August 2009 minutes were reviewed and JS made a comment about last month's meeting date, the date will be adjusted to reflect the proper date of August 13, 2009. Secretary's Report has been accepted with the correction of the correct meeting date.

Treasurer's Report: Dennis reported that the association has \$ 8,763.60 in our basic checking account. Motion was made by RK to accept the treasurer's report, JS 2nd the motion, all was in favor of accepting the report.

Committee Reports:

Athlete Membership: 1730 MEUSATF members as of September 25, 2009

Clubs and Sanctions: Clubs: 58; Sanctions: 53 recorded sanctions but Val believes that the actual number is around 63 (she forgot to do the sanction count before coming).

Officials: Val will make contact with Don to put out a call to all our officials of the up coming cross country meets. **November 15, 2009 - Sunday** at Cony HS – Augusta, Me is the MEUSATF Youth State & Region 1 Qualifying Meet. MEUSATF is hosting the **USATF Region 1 Cross Country Qualifying Meet will be held November 22 – Sunday at Cony HS – Augusta, Me.** Officials & many volunteers are needed. Please contact Don Berry at chemman@fairpoint.net or Valaree Foss at metrkfld@roadrunner.com if you can HELP us out.

Masters/Open: Christine did send to board members on what is the next step that should be taken to rectify the NSF check received from PL – Master athlete. Val will try contact the NSF party to find out what the problem is in clearing up this matter.

Race Walk: Valaree mentioned that she did send off an e-mail to Tom Eastler requesting information about the athlete's bio. MEUSATF will hold off paying Tom the amount requested until we receive the information requested.

M/W Masters LDR: No Report. Val reminded board members and club representatives that help would be needed at the **MEUSATF Open & Masters Cross Country Championship Meet** to be held in conjunction with the Craig Cup on **Oct. 10, 21009 at Twin Brook Recreation Center – Cumberland, Me.** The event starts at 8am, and Val will be at the site around 7:00 to set up MEUSATF booth. She will send out reminders to others regarding the event.



Cross Country: Ron presented the 2009 Cross Country Schedule and Ron reported that both Marty T and Taylor H have been working together on the course. A copy of the state flyer was given out for revisions and the Meet Flyer information for Region 1 will be done tonight. Val reported that she has done up some photo release forms for parents to sign at the developmental X-C meets and MEUSATF Open & Masters Championship Meet. Each X-C meet director has received the forms for each venue site.

Youth Athletics: Val mentioned that for the 2010 MEUSATF Summertime Track & Field Developmental Series that at the Qualifying Meet – Relay Rules must be redefined and MEUSATF Youth State Meet to have games committee etc., in place. Topic tabled until the beginning of 2010 series.

New Business:

Election of Officers for ME-USATF 2010:

President Foss requested if there were any nominations from the floor, being none, (JS) made a motion to and also that the secretary cast one vote in the affirmative for the slate of 2010 officers presented. R(R) 2nd the motion to accept the 2010 slate of officers. Passed unanimously.

2010 Elected Board Members:

President: Valaree Foss
Vice-President: Marty Kahler
Treasurer: Dennis Kunces
Secretary: Tavi Norton

2010 Chair Appointments:

Men's T&F: Rolland Ranson
Women's T&F: Stefanie Foss-Worster
Youth: Ronald Kelly

Race Walking: Chair - To be appointed at next scheduled meeting
Men's LDR: Chair - To be appointed at next scheduled meeting
Women's LDR: Chair - To be appointed at next scheduled meeting
Masters LDR: Chair - To be appointed at next scheduled meeting
Cross Country: Chair - To be appointed at next scheduled meeting
Masters & Open: Chair - To be appointed at next scheduled meeting
MUT: Chair - To be appointed at next scheduled meeting
Officials: Chair - To be appointed at next scheduled meeting
Membership: Wendy Serbent
Associations: Valaree Foss

2010 Maine-USATF Bylaws: Valaree questioned MEUSATF By-Laws. She feels that the By-Laws should be reviewed once a year and recorded as such. Being of no MEUSATF By-Law



amendments, the association By-Laws remain the same and Val and Tavi will sign the By-Laws as being reviewed for 2009-2010 term.

Master Outdoor Championship Meet – stipend to officials: Valaree requested that a couple of officials who traveled to the Open & Masters meet at Skowhegan HS be stipend for at least gas money. RK motioned that we pay them \$25 for officiating, JS second the motion. Passed unanimously by members present.

2009 National Convention: We need a minimum of 6 people to attend. The following board members attending the 2009 USATF convention are: Valaree Foss, Stefanie Worster, Don Berry, Rolland Ranson, Marty Kahler and Paul Morency.

2008 USATF Association's Gold Award Winner: MEUSATF has once again received the Gold Association Award. This is the 6th time out or 7 Maine has received such prestigious award from USATF.

MEUSATF Logo: Val requested that the MEUSATF Logo be placed on all informational flyers that are posted on our web site as well as the "link web sites".

2012 Masters Meet – Bid package: Rolland Ranson reported that the University of Maine – Orono Campus, will be bidding for the 2010 National USATF Masters Championship Event. Rolland nominated Don Berry for the position of being the Officials Meet Coordinator, VF 2nd the motion and was passed unanimously. Rolland will be attending the meeting to submit the 2012 bid package to the Masters Committee and Voting members.

2010 USATF Membership Validation Stickers: Tabled.

Sanctions – Liability Issues – USATF Ins Carrier: This topic was discussed at the workshop. All sanctions must be held until the legal age of 18 plus 7 years. That is at total of 25 years. All records should be carbon (scanned and kept for the number of years). Rolland suggested that the yearly cost would be about \$55.00 a year to keep records. Val will check into www.carbonite.com for storage of the association's files.

Old Business:

LDR Program: Val will email Jerry to his feeling regarding starting in the 2010 Grand Prix series Events, that if having the sanctioned LDR event series directors donate a "kick back" of monetary funds back into the MEUSATF LDR account. The "kick-back" money would help in awards and publicity etc...

Meet Manager Computer Program: Ron will make the purchase of independent contractor for the Meet Manager Program in 2010, it will be a savings.



Lightening Device: Tabled till to spring 2010.

MEUSATF Youth State Meet Shirts: MEUSATF will do our own sales from now on.

MPA: Tabled.

E-Z Up Tent: Check has been received for \$675.00. RK made a motion that the \$600.00 be placed into the Equipment Account, JS seconded it. The remaining \$75.00 be placed in the general account at that the \$75.00 can be used at anytime. Passed unanimously by members present.

Post Office Box Rental: Valaree stated that the association's post office box rental will be up for renewal in December 2009. She suggested that the post office box **NOT** be renewed for 1 year as the cost is increasing. TN made a motion that starting December 1st that the association's mailing address to be used would be; **417 Hartland Road, Canaan ME 04924.** DK 2nd the motion and passed unanimously by members present. December 15, 2009 will be the last date to use the post office box number. Valaree will start to make notifications to NUSATF and other vendors of the association's change of mailing address.

Meeting adjourned at 2:40 p.m.

Next Meeting: October 25th, 2009 will be our held **AFTER** the cross country meet which will be held at Cony HS – Augusta, Me.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tavi Norton
Secretary – USATF Maine