



**Attendees:** Val Foss, Marty Thornton, Dave Thornton, John Sinclair, Marty Kahler, Wendy Serbent, Don Berry, Tavi Norton, Taylor Harmon, and Rolland Ranson.

President Foss called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

Thanks to Don and Sandy Berry for providing their cottage for the association's meeting.

**Secretary's Report:** The July 2009 minutes were accepted, MK motioned to accept the report as written, JS 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion.

**Treasurer's Report:** Dennis was on vacation. Val handed out the treasurer report and went over expenses. Motion was made to accept the report by MT motioned to accept the report, MK 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and passed unanimously. Dennis will pay out to the National office membership payment when he returns from vacation.

#### **Committee Reports:**

**Athlete Membership:** As of 8/14/09 there are 1,667 registered USATF members.

**Clubs and Event Sanctions:** Clubs: 50    Event Sanctions: 58

**Officials:** For 2009, Don is able to name 4 outstanding officials this year. The number of officials for last year was 89. As of this meeting it has been 45. There have been some concerns that have arisen regarding this year's meets.

**Masters' & Open T&F:** We spoke about the meet that was held in Skowhegan. One bounced check for the amount of \$165.00. One NSF from the state meet held on August 8, 2009. A Sobe cooler and cases of Sobe drinks were donated by a man from Bangor. Val will be sending out a Thank-you note from the association for the donation. The cooler will be used at upcoming and future events.

**Masters/Open LDR:** No report.

**Cross Country:** Taylor made a motion that we name an event after Paul Morency. After much discussion, the Discus Event will be named the Paul W. Morency Discus Event for our association's Open & Masters Meets. WS 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and all was in favor. Taylor will put \$100.00 towards Paul's gift. Valaree mentioned that Paul likes eagles, MT will donate a picture of an eagle for Paul. JS motioned that MEUSATF to match TH donation, MT 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, and all accepted the motion. The cross country course for Region 1 has been set and Marty T will take a look at the course and work with Taylor to ensure the course distance is correct. The races start line will be at the field hockey field and the ending will be near the gym doors.



**Race Walking:** Criteria will need to be submitted from Tom regarding C Swerdlon (ms) a Race walker athlete. DB made a motion to remove the \$150 from the account after the athletes criteria have been received, MK 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, all in favor of the motion. Valaree will contact Tom and ask for the athletes criteria before reimbursement is given to Tom.

**Youth Athletics:** All relay teams were ran at qualifying except Group B. We need to redefine the summer time rules. JS suggested that we table this until the next meeting, DB 2<sup>nd</sup>, and all accepted the motion. Ron will need to be present for this discussion.

**New Business:**

**T-Shirt Sales:** Shirts were more hectic and a concern over the pricing of the shirts. Out sourcing t-shirts but must be an understanding. Table this until the next meeting.

**Maine Associations Official Meet Photographers':** After much discussion, board members voted to have both Marty Thornton and David Colby-Young the associations official photographers, and they will be only photographers' we add a link too for folks to view / purchase photographs of athletes – young to Masters. A photo release statement will be included on all meet entry forms as well as placed in the youth developmental series rules. "A Photographer's Statement" will be drafted and defined by both Marty Thornton and David Colby Young and once completed and voted upon at the next meeting, the photographers statement will also be placed on the web site. TH 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion, all was in favor but 2 abstained from the vote. Marty Thornton also stated that she will donate a percentage of her photograph sales back to the association for allowing the link to be posted.

**Damage Claims:** Claims have been submitted to the NUSATF Insurance carrier for the incident that happened in July at the Masters Open Meet, regarding Don Berry, Dave Thornton's camera and the association's E-Z Up-Tent.

**Association Post Office Rental Box:** Valaree inquired with the local Postmaster and the rental of the post office box will be going up in cost in December of 2009. Val asked members present to be allowed to drop the post office box and have all the mail sent to 417 Hartland Road, Canaan. All members present were in favor of discontinuing renewal of the PO Box. The post office box rental will be discontinued in December, the time of renewal. Valaree will begin to make notification within the near future to all mail senders.

**Membership Chair:** Paul has given his Membership Chair resignation via email to Val. Val has asked Wendy Serbent to take over the Membership Chair duties and Val will work with Wendy in the coming months on what will need to be done etc. Val will provide to Wendy files for her computer, Don has access to data bases is for Official Chair use only which is different than what Val's database. Val will need to make notification to NUSATF along with a copy of Paul's resignation e-mail so that they may up-date their e-mail address and notification files. DB made the motion to accept Paul's resignation, MK 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. DB made a motion to accept



Wendy Serbent as new membership chair, and all was in favor. Valaree to make NUSATF notification of the Membership Chair.

**2010 Tax Exempt Status Registering Agent:** Dennis spoke with Val and he will take care of the renewal and Paul will walk him through the steps when the time comes.

**MPA (Maine Principal's Association):** Valaree stated that MEUSATF Certified Officials Organization needs to meet with the MPA and request to have certified track and field officials be under the same agreement as the other sport organizations officials recognized by the MPA and to have the same Officials Fee Schedule & Mileage set forth by them (MPA). Other sports the MPA doesn't recognize as an established varsity / junior varsity sport is golf, tennis, as well as track and field. Marty T will call Mr. Burnham for a meeting. Jeff Sturgis is part time with the MPA. MT and DB will set the date for the meeting. Officers / Officials that should attend the meeting: Val, Marty K, Don B, Marty T and Taylor.

**Next meeting will be held on September 26, 2009 - Saturday** at Governor's Restaurant in Waterville. That will be the **Annual Awards Banquet and Annual Meeting – Election of 2009-2010 Association Officers.**

Valaree will send out to all club directors / coaches / officials / board members notification and luncheon cost / person.

Meeting adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tavi Norton  
Secretary