



NIFS - 250 University Blvd. Indianapolis, IN. 46202
12:00pm Open Meeting
Meeting Agenda

I. Welcome - Chris Buckler, President Welcomed everyone to the meeting.

II. Attendance-

a. Verification of active, verified members - Stu Goble as Nomination Chair for this year reported All members in attendance were verified and over 18 years of age. Non-active members or those under 18 years of old are not eligible to vote.

Members in attendance : Anna Weber, Anetria Butler, Rick Hammer, Robert Thomas, Latahsia Key, Sydney Meyers, E Shane Lee, Curt Parrish, Richard Leonard, Paul Sargent, Mike Trego, Dick Boyd, Dave Fry, Denzil Crooke, Chris Buckler and Stu Goble.

III. Approval of Minutes from Previous meeting - 3/14/21 - Paul Sargent/Dick Boyd - 2nd - Approved unanimously approved by quorum present.

IV. Executive reports:

- State of Indiana USATF - **Chris Buckler, Pres.** - Jacksonville and the Youth Meet were quite “messy”...Organizationally speaking.
- USATF Annual Meeting will be in a hybrid format. More info out this week. Only selected face-to-face.
- USATF vs AAU - Discussion on concerns of protocols. No action.
- The parents like the USATF because of our organization and presentation.
- Looking at a dual membership type concept.
- **Vice- President Dick Boyd** - See appendix A at the end of this report.
- Balancing the Board of Directors in elections. 2022-7,2023-4, 2024-6
- What happened to the stipend that was available for attending the 2020 Virtual Annual Meeting- President nor Treasurer addressed.
- Need approval for location and dates for CC/Masters IN/OD, Youth-OD, and region 7 Outdoor meets ASAP so people can get them on their calendars.
- Indiana athletes had a great showing at the Youth Nationals, Olympic Trials, Masters and Junior Olympics (JO's).
- Junior Olympic Championships are no longer sponsored by Hershey's.
- Dates:
 - December 11 - Junior Olympic Cross Country - Paris, Kentucky
 - January 8 - USATF Cross Country Championships - San Diego.
 - January 25-26 Toyota Indoor Championship - Spokane
 - March 18-20 USATF Youth Indoor Championships - New York (Ocean Breeze)

- March 18-20 USATF Master Indoor Championships - New York (Armory)
- June 21-26 USATF National Youth Outdoor Championships Jacksonville
- July 15-24 World Athletics Outdoor Championships - Eugene
- July 25-31 USATF Junior Olympic Outdoor Championships - Sacramento
- July 28-31 Master Outdoor Championships

Next summer Junior Olympic & Masters will be on coinciding dates. Masters in KY and Junior Olympic in California.

Purchase of throwing implements from Youth National. Chris Buckler brought back.
(9 wires, 6 handles, 3 finn fleet aero javes, 1 6K orange discus, 2 12lb hammer, 2 4K hammer, 2 corded jav. 800g mens jav, 600 g 55m jav, 1.6K denfly disc, 1K denfly disc apprx. (\$1,922.00).

We need to have a complete inventory of all of the USATF materials we have...including tents, signs, banners, radios, implements, speakers, etc.

New Interim VP Certification Chair is Jamero Rainey from the Illinois Association.

We need an update from Chris on our accreditation.

Recommend a bylaws revision to review and update bylaws.

It was approved to budget money to aid expenses for elite athletes...Does anyone know the status of this item?

It was approved to budget money for officials to help in travel expenses. Mike Trego Report.

Report - Robert Thomas - Treasurer. Last year 19K in vs. 38K out. \$91,810.00 in the bank
Our Masters meet on July 31,2021 at Ft. Wayne (Indiana Tech) had 55 Master athletes. \$200.00 charge for Indiana Teach to have coach unlock the facility and watch us all day. Thinking of Touchstone as a venue for our Indoor Masters next year.

V. Committee Chair Updates

- **Officials - Mike Trego - 50** names on current Connect 80 roster that are not viable members. 4 deceased + officials that have not reupped for the last Olympiad.
- Purdue University hosted no home meets this year and 8 officials did not renew their memberships.
- 93 current dues paid officials...some still working on renewing.
- Total Station cost - \$3295.00 pluse extras...software, plug-ins, hardware, etc. Should be receiving quotes this week from Nora at Lynx Developers, CA.
- Reimbursement for travel reimbursements for officials - Hand-outs to Board - \$1847.99
- Reimbursement for BOD who attended the Virtual Annual Meeting - What ever happened to that? Never followed up on.

Para-Athletics - Mike Trego- working as part of the USATF Para Athletic Committee to collaboratively join with the other quasi-governing bodies to promote USATF involvement.

Membership - Stu Goble - Currently 1530 Validated membership signatures...thus members. Our Association meets are where we see our numbers increase...but Covid has smashed that number. So has AAU....AAU is less of a hassle to join...no background check...No safesport...but people like the environment and atmosphere of the USATF meets better.

Coaches Education - Paul Sargent - More virtual meetings than in-person meetings...Virtual allows to open up to all coaching levels...getting more at different levels.

Men and Women Open Track - Chris Buckler - Very good Olympics for Indiana athletes...films available.

Law and Legislation - Chris Buckler - Look for more to be happening in the future.

Budget and Finance - Robert Thomas - See handout for BOD meeting.

Sanctions - Randy Stafford - See Report Attached - 68 granted to date. This is a higher # than in 2020 but still 50% of previous years. Covid still has an adverse effect on many events. Point - in 2021 the Sanction system no longer links to the membership database. USATF member organizations are not recognized and the sanction application is rejected. Only solution to this problem is to contact the Sanction Coordinator at the National Office Sanctions to get a discount code to offset the difference between the member and the non-member cost. Many of our former races do not know the system well enough to make this request.

No reports from the following committees: Race Walking, Youth, LDR, and Awards

VI. New Business - Elections -

Moved by Dick Boyd/2nd by Robert Thomas - Motion to Balance the Boards overlap of terms served to that in 2021 we elect 6 people instead of 7 people and carrying the extra position over to the 2022 elections. Discussion ensued - Balancing the board is crucial to having experienced BOD members in a carry-over phase to maintain the organizational structure and integrity. Unanimously approved. (7-0).

Each nominee was given time to introduce themselves, tell the voters a little bit about themselves and their experience and how that could add to being a board member.

Ballots were distributed by Stu Goble and the Nomination Committee. Nomination Committee then counted the votes. There were 7 names and 6 nominees to vote for. Voting Results: Elected to the Board were : Rich Leonard, E.Shane Lee, Denzil Crooke, Sydney Meyers, Rick Hammer, and Paul Sargent. Congratulations to Paul and all new BOD members.

Motion - moved by Paul Sargent and 2nd by Stu Goble to destroy all ballots use for this election. Unanimously Approved. (12-0)

VII. Adjournment - **Motion to Adjourn by Paul Sargent - 2nd by Dick Boyd**. Unanimously Approved (12-0).