

USATF-LI EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING



Minutes for Board Meeting Held on Monday, May 3, 2021

Meeting was brought to order at 7:30 pm via zoom.

Attendees: 13

Officers:

President: Alex Cuzzo
Vice President: Robert Lemke
Vice President: Brendan Dagan
Treasurer: Gary Westerfield
Secretary: Pamela Lee

Standing Sport Committees:

Track & Field: Richard Degnan
Track & Field: Dwayne Johnson - *Absent*
MUT: *Open*
Youth Athletics: Clive Walters
Youth Athletics: Debra Milano-Granito
Para-Athletics: Steven Cuomo - *Absent*

Standing Administrative Committees:

Officials: George Erker
Sports Medicine: John DeGorter
Records: Joe Meyer - *Absent*
Outreach: Ronald Nardo
Public Relations: Lori Mangual
Nominating: *Open*
Membership: Larry Campbell - *Absent*
Coaching Education: Michael Frazer - *Absent*
Communications: Cici Hirsch - *Absent*
Bd Member At-Large: Bob Hersh - *Absent*

Club Representatives:

Invited Guests:

Trent Hampton

Minutes: Minutes from Board Meeting of April 5, 2021 were approved.

Budget & Finance:

Bank Balance at Citibank as of April 30, 2021: \$31,611; Quickbooks balance: \$31,553. Received payment of \$1,079.17 from USATF. Paid salary of \$790.40 twice and Federal w/h taxes of \$1,771.00.

Membership: 653 have renewed membership as of this and there are 34 Clubs.

Discussion/Business Items:

Old Business:

Health Updates: Harry Penny – No report. Terry Bisogno – announcer at a meet last Sunday and requires more treatment.

Covid Task Force: <https://www.uscenter.org/covid19> Implements can be issued one flight at a time as long as sanitize between flights. Individual must retrieve own implement.

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SafeSport, Background Checks, and Membership: <https://www.uscenterforsafesport.org> Anyone completing SafeSport should download certificate and send to Alex Cuozzo who will forward to National.

By-Law Changes for Electronic Voting and Zoom Meetings: Alex Cuozzo is working on by-law changes so that Annual Association Convention will be able to be held via zoom meeting.

New Business:

USATF Association Marketing Kit: Alex Cuozzo has ordered ten pennant flags at \$50 each to fulfill \$50 allotment.

Committee Reports:

Standing Sport Committees:

Track & Field: Rich Degnan reported that Wednesdays in July are available for summer track meets. The first meet will be at Valley Stream North High School on June 30, 2021. Other possible venues are Hauppauge, Freeport, and Island Trees.

High school season ends on June 19, 2021.

St. Anthony's High School is charging \$520/hour for track usage, including security and trainers. Can charge admission, spectators would be limited, youth, open, and masters would not be permitted.

High school championships to be held on June 23, 2021 at the same cost as an indoor meet. Best 9 athletes/school are invited. Rich Degnan will attend a meeting tomorrow to see if there will be any changes.

Upcoming events: National USATF – June 23-26; High School Nationals – June 29-7/3; Junior Olympics – July; Empire Championships – July 25 (Trials for Empire qualification will be held at Icahn Stadium).

LDR: First race for USATF-LI Series is scheduled for May 16, 2021 at Eisenhower Park. Next LDR meeting is next Monday.

First road race on roads is scheduled for May 22, 2021 in Brightwaters. This will be a test case for post-Covid road races.

Race Walking: Gary Westerfield reported that the Pan American Cup Trials was held on April 11, 2021 in Philadelphia, PA. Maria Michta-Coffey won the event and qualified for Cup in Ecuador. However, two days later, USATF decided not to send a team to Ecuador, but points were still awarded to athletes. Maria Michta-Coffey will compete for Olympic trials standards on May 16, 2021 in New Jersey. Olympic trials will be held in Eugene, OR during the last week of June.

Mountain Ultra & Trail: 50k Championship is scheduled for June 13, 2021 in Heckscher State Park.

Master Athletics: Rob Lemke reported the outdoor national meet in Ames, IA is scheduled for July 22-25. The East Region/South Region meet is scheduled for Landover, MD during the first week of June.

Youth Athletics: Clive Waters reported that there is a meet scheduled for May 16, 2021 at Baldwin High School. The National Junior Olympics will be held in Jacksonville, FL. There are no qualifications, but more information will be forthcoming from the youth executive committee.

Para-Athletics: No report.

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Standing Administrative Committees:

Officials: Recertification update: 33 fully certified, 9 previous officials – no action; 15 previous officials – need certain steps.

George Erker reported that officials were assigned to college meets: 5 at Stony Brook on April 23, 2021 and 16 at Farmingdale on April 25, 2021 for a Skyline event. A check was issued to USATF for payment to officials. Discussion regarding if there is any legal issue as some of the officials are not 3-tier certified. Going forward, officials cannot work at non-certified meets. Gary Westerfield will write a letter to non-certified officials that this is their last meet as they may be subject to individual liabilities.

Sports Medicine: Jon DeGorter reported that an article has been sent to Cici Hirsch

Records: No report.

Outreach: Ronald Nardo reported that a program will be held for Hempstead PAL on May 12, 2021 6-7 pm at Hempstead High School. 60 participants are expected.

Public Relations: No report.

Nominating: No report.

Law and Legislation: No report.

Membership: No report.

Coaching Education: No report.

Other Activities:

Newsletter: Articles have been submitted by Alex Cuzzo and Clive Walters.

Next meeting: Monday, June 7, 2021 at 7:30 pm.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Pamela Lee, Secretary, USATF-Long Island