

USATF-LI EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING



Minutes for Board Meeting Held on Monday, August 26, 2024

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

Attendees: 16

Officers:

President: Alex Cuzzo
Vice President: Robert Lemke
Vice President: Jason Ramirez - *Absent*
Treasurer: Gary Westerfield
Secretary: Pamela Lee

Standing Sport Committees:

Track & Field: Richard Degnan
Track & Field: Leigh Pollet - *Absent*
MUT: Ronald Nardo - *Excused*
Masters Athletics: Robert Lemke
Youth Athletics: Leigh Pollet - *Absent*
Para-Athletics: Steven Cuomo - *Absent*
Para-Athletics: Francis Anzaldi

Standing Administrative Committees:

Officials: George Erker
Sports Medicine: Jon DeGorter - *Excused*
Sports Medicine: Elizabeth O'Donnell - *Absent*
Records: Joe Meyer - *Absent*
Outreach: Ronald Nardo - *Excused*
Public Relations: Lori Mangual
Nominating: Liz Barney
Membership: Larry Campbell - *Absent*
Coaching Education: Michael Frazer - *Excused*
Communications: Erin Cassano
Bd Member At-Large: Keith Guilfoyle

Club Representatives:

Invited Guests:

William Fodor
Fred Haslett
Rose Mangogna
James Murray
Glen Wolter

Minutes: Minutes from the Board Meeting of June 10, 2024 were approved.

Budget & Finance: Gary Westerfield reported that the Bank Balance at Citibank as of July 31, 2024 is \$57,132.87; the balance as of August 26, 2024 is \$53,455.18.

Membership: There are ??? individuals registered as USATF members and there are ?? clubs and organizations.

Discussion/Business Items:

President's Report:

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Old Business:

Cow Harbor & USATF 10k Championship: William Fodor reported that, in keeping with the race's gold level status and cultural traditions, the race will, most likely, not apply for future USATF National status. For 2024, there are 54 lead athletes scheduled. Approximately one-third will be housed in private dwellings; the remainder in hotels. The Technical Meeting will be held at 5 pm at the Hampton Inn on the day prior to the race, September 20, 2024 with a dinner following. USATF-LI will provide officials who must be 3-step qualified and pre-approved are needed at the start/finish, 5k mark, lead car, and USADA escorts.

USATF-LI Association Annual Convention: Scheduled for Friday, September 27, 2024 at Hofstra University. Event is sanctioned. This year, elections will be held for President, two Vice Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer, and delegates to the National Meeting. Contact Liz Barney to nominate and second individuals.

Officials' hats and shirts: Blue shirts will be ordered for current officials. George Erker will contact officials for sizes.

New Business:

USATF National Convention and Proposed Restructuring of USATF National Convention: Scheduled for December 5, 2024 – December 8, 2024 in Orlando, FL. 12 delegates can represent USATF-LI. This may be the last on-site meeting due to cost constraints. Future meetings may be virtual.

IRS Form 4506B: Request for 501(c)(3) determination letter. Gary Westerfield should check with accountant for a copy.

Committee Reports:

Standing Sport Committees:

Track & Field: Rich Degnan reported that there were two good summer meets. It is difficult to obtain venues because the Association needs to partner with high schools, many requiring 75% participation from the specific high school. Fall clinics will be held at Island Trees High School and the New Year's Eve Clinic will be held at St. Anthony's High School.

LDR: Alex Cuozzo reported that the next 2024 Grand Prix races are the Pedone 5k (September 1) and NHP 8k (September 8). The Y/O/M Cross-Country Championship is scheduled for November 10, 2024 at Bethpage State Park. Set-up will take place on the day prior to the event. The next LDR meeting will be held on September 9, 2024.

Race Walking: Gary Westerfeld reported that Ruby Ray will compete in the Olympic Trials in Eugene, OR. Maria Michta-Coffey will participate in the National Championship in January 2025, looking to qualify for the World 35k Championship.

Mountain Ultra & Trail: No report.

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Master Athletics: Rob Lemke reported that there was representation at the two summer meets. There were high temperatures at the USATF Masters Outdoor Championship on July 18-21, 2024 in Sacramento, CA. World Masters Outdoor Championships in Gothenburg, Sweden included Roxanne Brockner and race walker Father Michael Bartolomew.

Youth: Liz Barney has accepted the position of Youth Chair. The Cross-Country meet on November 10, 2024 will be the qualifier for Junior Olympics.

Para-Athletics: Frank Anzaldi reported that Michael Brannigan will participate in the 2028 Para-Olympics.

Standing Administrative Committees:

Officials: George Erker reported that more officials could have been at the Youth meet on June 16, 2024, but there were a sufficient number of officials at the July 10, 2024 meet.

Sports Medicine: No report.

Records: No report.

Outreach/Public Relations: Lori Mangual reported that she, Ron Nardo, and Pamela Lee participated in RunJumpThrow clinic at a summer day camp.

Nominating: Committee consists of Liz Barney and Fred Haslett.

Law and Legislation: No report.

Membership: No report.

Coaching Education: No report.

Communication/Marketing: Erin Cassano reported that Winter Newsletter will come out in December 2024. The Grand Prix Duck's Mile will be scored by tomorrow.

Other Activities:

Website: No report.

Next meeting: Monday, October 7, 2024 at 7:30 pm.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:49 pm.

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