

USA Track & Field of Nevada
Monthly Association Meeting – December 16 2005
1950 J Street (Doolittle Community Center)

Meeting called to order at 7:06 p.m. The following were in attendance:

Brooks Lewis, Jr.	Sandra Harris	Samuel Germany
Kimberly Spurlock	Johnny Yancy	Roy Sessions
Curt Jalani	Edward Johnson	Dameka Burke
Anthony Wide		

Brooks Lewis called the meeting to order and presented the agenda. The agenda was accepted unanimously. Brooks asked everyone to read over the minutes for approval. Motioned was made by Kim Spurlock to approved the minutes and seconded by Dameka Burke.

Reports

President's Report

Brooks started the meeting by acknowledging that there was animosity with the results from the election, but as an Association, we need to move forward in order to be successful. Those in attendance discussed areas of frustration. Brooks stated that it was obvious that the many differences would not be resolved in one night. Sam Germany suggested we move back to the agenda.

The Nevada Association now has coverage from the Directors and Officers insurance offered by USATF. This policy provides coverage for any claims against the Association or its officers. Brooks suggested that all clubs acquire the policy as well.

Cross Country

Curt Jalani reported that the Association Championship was held November 13. Our Association advanced nine athletes. Curt asked the clubs in attendance to consider their long distance athletes to participate in Cross Country next year. If Cross Country does not increase, our Association will lose the Cross Country regional event in 2006. Suggestions for growth in that event included distributing flyers at events, placing postings at schools, holding 2ks track meets and creating a Functional Cross Country committee.

Curt reported that sanctioning fees would go up and entries will be more scrutinized for the 2006 Track Season. The fees will be \$150 for up to 250 participants and \$300 for 251 to 500 participants. Coaches expressed concern with the ability to be able to provide all the funds needed for sanctioning up front. After some discussion, the body agreed to that this issue should be discussed among the coaches and the Sanctions Chair. Once an agreement is made, the chair can bring that decision for approval.

Membership

Dameka Burke was not able to attend the meeting.

Officials

Richard Minyard asked that those who are certified officers meet with him next year to hold clinics so that they are familiar with the rules. He requested that Roy Sessions become a certified official as a timer and he is looking for others to become timers. He said the process doesn't take long and requires taking the test, submitting the application and funds and taking a picture: it could be done

in two meetings. In order to be certified, you are required to attend and work two meets to show that you are familiar with and understand the rules.

Race Walking

No chair at this time

Youth Athletics

Edward Johnson distributed a list of the 2006 schedule. Curt asked that the first two meets be sanctioned immediately to avoid any delays. Edward made a plea to all in attendance to help at all meets, not just those your team is hosting. Many expressed that this is already done. Johnny Yancy offered to assist any club that has a track meet at a facility, but can't get the necessary equipment. Edward also reminded coaches to ask their parents to stay after meets and make sure the facility is clean.

Other Business

2006 Schedule

Covered in the Youth Athletics report

City of Las Vegas Cooperative Agreement

Brooks has a meeting scheduled with the City of Las Vegas (COL) November 18 and asked the Association what we want from the COL. Items mentioned were lights, bathroom facilities, equipment, care and use of facilities. Roy mentioned that the COL has a joint-use agreement with the Clark County School District, but those calendars fill up fast. Tony Stevens asked what the COL wants from us. Brooks replied that they appear to want our expertise in track and field.

USATF Annual Convention

Brooks mentioned that he covered the attendees in the President's Report. Richard asked what we are doing in preparation for upcoming conventions, being that they are so far away.

General Comments

Kim Spurlock informed the Association that she has made several attempts to retrieve equipment from the former Treasurer, but to no avail. This makes it difficult to give an accurate report. Sandra said she spoke with the former Membership Chair and she was told by the former Membership chair that she would not turn anything in. Tony asked why so many are going to the convention. Sandra Harris informed the Association that we are required to have nine delegates, based on the size of our body, but because we are in a rebuilding process, we were allowed to register only six.

Sam acknowledged the grievances against the voting process and thought a local investigation should take place before it goes to the National office. He also expressed his disappointment in the amount of calls made to the national office and the impression that it leaves on the Association.

Meeting adjourned at 8:41. The next meeting is December 15 at 7 p.m.