

USATF Florida Annual meeting
Sunday, October 30, 2016
Airport Hilton Palm Beach Florida

Elected to the “House of Delegates for this meeting: Joey Chiavaroli, Carol Dixon, Gary Dixon, Thomas Sputo, and Maria Cesca as Athletes to the House of Delegates.

Melyndia Hani and Pam Navavra-Chiavaroli as the Officials and Paul Baur is the Coach.

Club Delegates Present: Pam, Betz, Rod Larsen, Nate Johnson, Bayardo Sinclair, Randy Chiavaroli, Phyllis Jackson, Tenca Sanders, James Porter.

Executive Committee members present: Carol Hardemon, Gary Beswick, McLin Anderson, Doug Tillett, Joe Monks, Noelle Gayden, Janice Thurston, Dan Koch, Rod Larsen, James Griffin, Carmen Jackson, James Williams, Pamela Betz, Angela Harris, Thomas Johnson.

A moment of silence was held in the Carmen Johnson, Jesse Holt and Gerry Mullins who passed away this year.

The minutes of our last meeting were approved as corrected and posted on our Web site.

The President and membership chair Pam Betz reported we have 2,373 members, 126 clubs and 337 sanctions.

VP North and Youth Committee Angela Harris(see attached report)

LDR McLin Anderson and Doug Tillet (see attached report)

MUT Noelle Gayden (see attached report)

Officials – Rod Larsen, all officials will have to be re-certified for the next Olympiad. The application and all of the rules reviews have not been up-dated, once they are available a blast email letting people know when the process is ready. Everyone will have to be a USATF Florida member through 2020, have completed the “Safe Sports “program, and a current USATF Background check (do the Coaches check).

Nate, BAYTAF is holding a clinic Nov. 12 two-part clinic contact Nate at Nate@baytaf.org or Leroy Leroy@baytaf.org for details.

Nate is the officials coordinator for both University of South Florida and Embry-Riddle University and is seeking officials. USF March 17&18 and April 21&22, Embry -Riddle April 1&2.

Race Walk Dan Koch (see attached report)

Treasurer Jim Williams (see attached report) Beginning balance (July 1, 2015) Ending balance \$70,270 (October 30, 2016)

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

President - Angela Harris

Executive Vice-President – Rod Larsen

Vice President of the North – McLin Anderson

Vice President of the South – Janice Thurston
Secretary – Noelle Gayden (former Giannuzzi)
Treasurer – Jim Williams
Athlete at Large to the Executive Committee (a 2 year term)

- Paul Baur
- Carol Hardemon
- Doreen Small-Mercer

Approved to amend the Bylaws

In other business, a motion was made to amend the By-laws **ARTICLE 10. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: Delete;** Executive Committee members are required to pass a USATF background check annually with the background check being completed between November of one year and January 30 of the next year, a 3-month window. Failure to complete the check between these dates is grounds for automatic removal. **Rational** USATF is no longer doing annual screenings, the National Center for Safety Initiatives (NCSI) is the sole provider of background screening. Screening will be two-year screens that expire 2 years from the date they were passed. Screens will no longer expire on December 31st of the membership year.

It was approved to delete the above and include:

To be a member of the executive committee a person must have a current USATF background check and to be currently listed as having completed the “Safe Sports” program.

Failure to meet either or both of these requirements is grounds for automatic removal and would prevent someone from being elected or appointed to the Executive committee.

(Note: this would take effect December 1, 2016 giving current members of the E. C. time to meet these requirements).

The Finance and Budget committee consisting of Rod Larsen, McLin Anderson, Janice Thurston, Noelle Gayden and James Williams and Angela Harris was approved.

New Business

Nate Johnson and others: A discussion was held relating to the Association developing a growth plan.

Robin Beamon: Podium Education Project, will be held in conjunction with the national annual meeting. November 30, 2016 Hilton Hotel, Walt Disney World. (Where the world’s pre-eminent coaches and lecturers share their knowledge.) It was approved that the association would pay \$1,000 to the Florida High School Athlete Association (FHSAA) to promote this program.

It was approved that the Florida Association endorses our hosting the 2017 Hersey National Youth Outdoor Championships, June 30 -July 3, 2017.

Thomas Johnson, resigned his VP South position due to his becoming the president of the USATF Athlete Alumni Association. He wants questions and answers for a “Game Show” competition to be held at the National meeting.

It was approved that the Association endorses Jackie Joiner Kersey for USATF President.