

Executive Committee Meeting
Ansin Sports Complex
Miramar, FL

Members Present:

Sara Alegria, Jose Alegria, Robin Beamon, Sandra DeNoon, Charlie Harris, Thomas Johnson, Dan Koch, Rod Larsen, Joe Monks, Rick Rothman, Doreen Small-Mercer, Carmen Jackson, Janice Thurston, James Williams

By Phone: David Halliday, Angela Harris.

Explained Absences:

Ron McRae, Johann Ottermatt, Scott Peters, Doug Tillet,

Meeting called to order, 12:15 PM

A quorum was present.

1. **The minutes** of our last meeting (October 21, 2012) were approved with the correction that sanctioning events is not yet available on line.
2. **USATF Associations Committee SE Region Report** – Pam Betz. Pam has been appointed the National Association Committee SE Regional Rep. The Regional T & F Championship will be June 8th at the Ansin Center.
3. **Treasurers Report** – Jim Williams. October 21, 2012: Beginning balance of \$27,149.12. March 10, 2013 ending balance of \$44,544.13. Due to many difficulties we have closed our SunTrust credit card and opened an credit card account with Bank of America. Jim, will be mailing our re-imbuements' for our expenses to the 2012 National meeting, this week.
4. **Sanctions** - Pam Betz We have sanctioned 124 events so far this year. Pam will be sending the Sports Committee chairs and Angela Harris (to post on the Web site) when she sanctions events. Jose volunteered to help for Masters T & F events. Pam and Angela will work out the details on getting events posted on our Web site.
5. **Memberships** – Pam Betz As of March 9 we had 321 Youth and 843 Adults members.
6. **Cross-Country** - Rick Rothman He is working on continuing to expand the adult series. He has been on contact with Bill Roe, Michael Scott, Bill Estes and the Palm Beach County Sports Commission for us to host either the NACAC Cross Country or the PamAm. He has been appointed to the USATF Cross Country Executive Committee and he is the Cross Country Committee Representative to the Coaches Education Committee.
7. It was approved that the Association pay for the medals for the four area and the Association Championship cross country Race series.
8. **Race walk** - Sandra DeNoon. We had the 5 K Association Championships today and Dan Koch did an excellent job of hosting it, the 10 k is April 7th in Orlando, the 50 K Championship will be held in November in conjunction with the National 50 K. Dan is going to put it in the 50 K budget for the race to pay for the rooms for the non IAAF judges. Dan handed out copies of Tom Eastler's Book **Racewalking Fun!**

9. **Track and Field Masters**- Jose Alegria. The USATF Florida Masters Committee helped sponsor the First Annual S.E. Regional Masters Indoor T&F Meet, held in Winston- Salem, NC on March 3, 2013. This will help us gain some attendance at our outdoor Meets. With the help of the Newsletter, we are building an email contact list of Masters and Open division athletes. This will help us notify our athletes of future events. The Florida Association Masters Outdoor T&F Meet will be May 18th in conjunction with the Association Open Championships. At the Ansin Sports Complex.
10. **Track and Field Men and Women**-Carmen Jackson & Charles Harris Open is ages 19 to 34. The Association Championship will be May 18th in conjunction with the Association Masters Championships. At the Ansin Sports Complex.
11. **Youth** – Florida, Georgia and South Carolina have been combined into a single region. Florida will be hosting the first Regional Championships, July 4-7. The Association Championships will June 14-17th. On June 1st, Charlie Harris will be hosting an Age group developmental meet, in Altamonte Springs.
12. **Officials** – Rod Larsen. All officials must re-certify this year for the 2013-2016 Olympiad. We have had about 75 officials recertify, which is ahead of 4 years ago. On March 31st, 2008-2012 certifications will expire.
13. **LDR** – Joe Monks His complete report was posted in the March newsletter. Pam will check on the Gate River Run sanctioning only 100 runners for the Association Championship portion off the race.
14. **Executive VP Report** – Dave Halliday. His complete report was posted in the March newsletter. There have been several Level One coaches' clinics in Florida. Level Two clinics are hosted by the national office and they only hold one a year and it is rotated from the east coast and the west coast. Thomas Johnson is working with the National office to host more than one per year with Florida hosting one. There is also a level two youth Coaches clinic which is held with the National JO's so it will float around the country. The USATF coaches courses are now nationally accredited.
15. **VP South** – Thomas Johnson. He is working with Dennis Mitchell to hold 4 to 5 sprint (100, 200, 400m, 100 and 400 m hurdles) meet series for elite athletes. There are many of them who train in Florida. (\$100,000 to \$120,000 budget from sponsors). What he would like is a partnership with the association so it could be taken to the National office. He wants our support. It was approved that the Florida Association highly endorses this meet series. Thomas has been named as the Sprint coach of Northwood University, located in Palm Beach he is looking for both sprinters and distance runners.
16. **VP North** - Angela Harris, she is disappointed in the amount of information she receives for our Newsletter. Executive Committee members have an obligation to provide information for our memberships. She can post results but it is best for us to send "a link" to race or meets results.
17. **President** – She is concerned about the lack of recognition for our Officials on the National level.
18. It was approved that all Executive Committee members must annually undergo a background check and be approved. The approving body must be approved USATF and therefore listed on the USATF Florida membership list. It was added without objection that newly elected or appointed members to this committee have 30 days

to have their background checked and be approved. We must all be done by May 1ST for this year only. Annually in the future.

19. 2014 The Florida Association will be hosting two NACAC invitational events.

20. It was approved to hold the next Association Annual Meeting on October 19th in Central Florida, with our looking at Melbourne first.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rod

Rod Larsen
Secretary
USATF Florida