

Nebraska USATF Youth Meeting Minutes
Sunday, February 26, 2017, 2-4 pm
Burke High School Library
As presented by Lanesa L. Ballew-Holt, Youth Secretary

*2:05 pm – Meeting called to order.

*Welcome – TammyRa’

*Attendance:

TammyRa’ Jackson	Ada McCarty	Nesi Ballew	Scot Rainbolt	Mark Cizek
Dale Filer	Erica Sousek	Reshial Marks	Meshah Marks	Bianca Mata
Andante’ Lloyd	Chequetta Jackson	Shunta Paul	Nicki Paul	Keith Harris
John McClung	Rubin Carter	Tony Welchen	Darwin Gushard	Jim Clark
Leigh Officer	Mark Lloyd	Joyce Grigsby	Patrick Grosserode	Wade Lanum
Terry Grigsby	Patty Mata	Cindy DeSantiago	Wayne Smith	Michael Bickley
Donald Sousek	Tim Fry	Jeff Marcuzzo	Gale Sayers Proby	

*President’s Report – Rubin

- The association board is trying to correct the by-laws. We are trying to make changes to fit what we have been doing within the association. We have Masters, Racewalk, Youth, Open, LDR and Coaching chairs.
- Almost everything is done electronically now; we need to move to electronic reporting devices.
- We are obligated to do so many championships each year.
- Will be going up to La Crosse, Wisconsin where Regionals will be held. There should be plenty hotel space.

*Membership Report – Cindy / Wayne

- 382 members right now in the association.
- Since there is now a team in Council Bluffs, Iowa, Nebraska is no longer accepting Iowa athletes unless they are grandfathered in. There are 2 families grandfathered in...waiver 301H.
- There are 6 youth clubs approved for this year; there are 6 pending. Please work on getting your clubs approved.

*The youth workshop / national convention – TammyRa’

- USATF Membership; Background check/NCIS; Safesport – required for all coaches.
- Starting in 2018, all coaches will be required to do training to be a coach. Examples:
 - *USA Developed Track and Field Courses.
 - *National High School Federation Courses.
 - *Level 1, 2, 3 courses.
 - *Some coaches may qualify to be grandfathered in and not require any training.
- USATF has a new board; elected at the last convention.

*Please make sure that you are checking the association website weekly so you see updates and additions timely.

*Officials Training – Will send out more information once we know when/where. Nebraska officials will help with meets as they can.

*State J. O. – Will be at Benson High School. Burke, Northwest and Ralston will be under construction so the meet can’t be held there.

*Meet Report Cards – Everyone talk respectfully to one another and offer constructive feedback. We will develop a more formal system as time permits.

*Timing System – Tony Welchen

- 3 different systems:
 - *Finish Links
 - *Eagle Eye

*Flash Timing: basic meets; syncs with HyTek; minimal equipment needed.

-They can range from \$6-7,000. The association may pay a small stipend to have one individual be responsible for transporting the equipment from meet to meet to ensure it is all accounted for and well taken care of.

-If the association purchases the equipment; the teams will be required to pay to use the equipment as well as pay someone to run it at their meet. Teams may need hip #'s and bib #'s for races longer than the 400 m; they would need to buy them.

-Black Squirrel is usually committed to college meets during the summer and are not available for our meets.

-Tony motioned / Keith second to purchase a FAT system. 1 vote per team. In Favor = 9; Opposed = 0; Abstained = 2

The motion carries. We still need to determine which system to purchase.

*Equipment:

-It was voted on at the prior meeting that the association will purchase: javelins, shotputs, discuses, and possibly a small scale to use with record setting situations. An order will be placed soon.

-Patty: -Don't do javelin in the discus ring.

-Use the 2017 Rules Book for measurements when setting up the throws areas...page 189.

-New Rule: You can no longer look at video during competition.

-15 – 18 year olds can now do indoor weights.

*Awards Banquet – Darwin / Keith

-103 athletes invited / 76 attended / 269 people total attended.

-We must pay for every seat reserved; that is why the upfront RSVP is so important. We don't want to waste \$\$.

-Survey: People enjoyed it; some don't care too much for the food. Some asked if we can elevate the athletes when they are given their award so they can be better seen.

* 4:01 pm meeting adjourned.