

**MINUTES OF THE USATF-NIAGARA BOARD MEETING HELD ON
DECEMBER 9, 2014 BY TELEPHONE CONFERENCE**

Board Members Present: Rob Liebers; Terry Eason; Perry Jenkins; Kathy McLymond; Erin Talcott; Chad Byler; Melissa Senall; David Reinhardt; and Bill Quinlisk.

Non-Board Committee Chairs: Jim Glinsky and Matt Merrill.

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 PM.

- A. A motion was made by Chad Byler and seconded by Kathy McLymond to accept the minutes from the November meeting. The motion was approved unanimously.
- B. Treasurer's Report: Melissa Senall submitted a written report which is incorporated by reference herein. The total balance is \$63575; with \$52,638 in checking and \$10,093 in savings. The net profit to date is \$21,912. There are still expenses for the RIT meet that will have to be paid.
- C. Membership: Jim Glinsky submitted a written report which is incorporated by reference. The total membership is 2246 which breaks down into 1124 Youth members; 338 Open members; and 423 Masters members. We have 55 clubs. There was a 3 % increase in membership since last year. Jim also mentioned that he is working on the investment issues.
- D. Sanctions: Matt Merrill reports that we had 288 sanctions in 2013 and has about 14 already for 2015. He reported that the Niagara Facebook page was removed. He indicated that he has gotten 3 bids so far for the 2015 championships. Erin Talcott added that she has put in a bid for the 20K racewalk.
- E. Old Business:
 - a. Indoor Meet: Bill Quinlisk reports that the meet is all set. There are no shirts this year. The facility costs the same as last year. The timing is scheduled to time. Erin Talcott added that the racewalk was all set for judges and that she received the go ahead to add a National Championship for juniors next year.
 - b. Club National XC: Bill Quinlisk reported that there were a total of 1900 runners including 918 masters.
 - c. Hall of Fame Dinner: Kathy McLymond and Jim Glinsky will be present and will hand out the awards.
 - d. Athletes of the Month: Bryce Derrick was nominated by Matt Merrill; and Molly Huddle and Erin Talcott as co-athletes of the month.
 - e. Annual Meeting: Bill Quinlisk suggested a motion to approve a letter to National regarding the Bob Hersh situation. Rob Liebers moved that the Board prepare such a letter. Perry Jenkins seconded. The motion was approved unanimously. David Reinhardt reported that \$500 marketing grants will be available this year. He also reported that we all must be careful about using the USATF logos and marks as they will be very strict with their usage particularly if they involve the "wings". All those who attended should have their reports and their reimbursement requests in by

12/19. Bill Quinlisk reported that the cross country council re-opened the bidding for the 2016 Club Nationals. Two bidders are still involved, Tallahassee and Lexington.

- f. Budgets: David Reinhardt discussed the budget. He indicated that he did an across the board 10% reduction on discretionary spending and that should put us in the black approximately \$2082. Chad Byler moved to approve the budget. The motion was seconded and approved unanimously.
- g. Investment Policy: Jim Glinsky will report next month with his committee's recommendation.
- h. National Master's Liaison: Bill Quinlisk will come up with some names for a person to work on strengthening the Master's programs.

F. New Business:

- a. Northeast Youth Zone Meet: This meet will be held at Houghton College on 2/21 and 2/22;
- b. Cornell Relays: A track official died as a result of injuries sustained when he was struck while officiating the weight throw. Jill Geer will do a statement. He was not a USATF official.
- c. Next Meeting: January 13, 2015 at 8 PM.