



Annual Meeting
September 19, 2021

Attendance

David Reinhardt, Chris Ribbeck, Kathy McLymond, Chris Cummings, Rozanne Redlinski, Fred Covelli, Jim Glinsky, Don Lawrence, Russ Ebbetts, Jennifer Potter, Mickey Piscitelli, Brian Lombardo, John McEachen, Izeal Bullock, Steve Wagner, Cynthia Young, Andy Martin, Eric Boyce

1. **Call to Order** - Meeting was called to order at 11:15 am by President, David Reinhardt
2. **Roll Call of Delegates and resolutions of and credential disputes** - yes
3. **Reading and Approval of 2020 Annual Meeting Minutes** - Motion to Accept by Russ Ebbetts, 2nd by Kathy McLymond, Minutes approved
4. **Treasurer's Report** (Chris Cummings) -

	Dec 31, 20	Sep 10, 21
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Checking/Savings		
Key Business MM Savings	15,006.36	20,007.33
Checking 327050059580	<u>15,632.61</u>	<u>21,093.00</u>
Total Checking/Savings	30,638.97	41,100.33
Total Accounts Receivable	300.00	0.00
Total Current Assets	30,938.97	41,100.33
Fixed Assets		
Total Equipment	967.90	483.95
Total Fixed Assets	967.90	483.95
TOTAL ASSETS	31,906.87	41,584.28
LIABILITIES & EQUITY		
Liabilities	0.00	0.00
Equity	31,906.87	41,584.28
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	31,906.87	41,584.28



	Jan - Dec 20	Jan - Sep(10) 21
Income		
Empire State Classic	0.00	6,832.52
Contributions	816.24	2,030.00
Grants	3,122.64	0.00
Event Income	0.00	2,683.00
Sanction Fees	5,836.25	6,012.30
Interest	2.18	0.97
Membership Dues		
Individual	8,280.25	10,698.92
Club	1,100.00	1,450.00
Total Membership Dues	9,380.25	12,148.92
Total Income	19,157.56	29,707.71
Gross Profit	19,157.56	29,707.71
Expense		
Empire State Classic Expense	0.00	6,136.35
Membership Processing	1,500.00	750.00
Tax Return	1,200.00	600.00
Website	4,000.00	0.00
Event Expense	180.00	11,082.27
Administrative Expense	339.53	427.73
Annual Meeting Expense	1,140.00	0.00
Committees Expense	510.00	250.00
Depreciation Expense	95.00	0.00
Total Expense	8,964.53	19,246.35
Net Income	10,193.03	10,461.36

5. Report of Officers and Committee Chairs

VP Administration (Membership – Jim Glinsky) –

	Male	Female	Total	
Youth	168	240	408	44%
Open	142	76	218	24%
Masters	209	88	297	32%
Total	519	404	923	

Clubs – 41

- VP Administration** (Russ Ebbets) –
1. JO meet June 26, 2021 had 238 JO athletes
 2. Empire State Classic had 168 athletes from four associations...Niagara Association won men and women's team championships
 3. Lions Clubs of Finger Lakes (Zone 20E2) raised \$2025 for support of JO programs.

Long Distance Running (Eric Boyce) - As the LDR Chair I have defined my role by promoting competition within the USATF Niagara Association through Association championships within the LDR umbrella which includes: Road Races, Cross Country, Mountain, Ultra, and Trail. With these championships I have formulated a Runner of the Year series and a Club Grand Prix series, to encourage participation and club camaraderie. The last year and half have been trying due to the pandemic,



resulting in cancellation of events. This year, 2021 we were able to salvage a modified USATF Niagara Runner of the Year Series and Team Grand Prix series with 5 championships that included: The Empire State 4 Mile Challenge (which was the road race part of the Empire State Meet on July 25), Swain Mountain Race on August 7th, Tom Donnelly Hall Of Fame 5k September 3rd, Unlimited Breadsticks Trail Run September 26, Pete Glavin XC 8k on November 7th. These events besides hosting an association championship also provided discount to USATF Niagara members ranging from \$2 to \$5 for current USATF Niagara members. Another goal that I have established with my LDR role is creating membership value. In April of 2020 USATF increased their membership fees. As LDR chair and my interactions with other members, I feel there is a lost disconnect with the membership value. I believe some people feel there is no true value of becoming a member. With that said I hope to increase the race membership discount list from 5 races to at least 20 to 30 races throughout the Niagara borders to give even more value to the USATF Membership. I feel if we get to that number of races providing discounts for those avid runners who compete in many local races runners will have a reason to get a membership. In theory the discounts for races will pay for their membership. In closing I would like to say that by the end of 2021 I plan to have the 2022 USATF Niagara LDR Runner of the Year Series formulated so we can have a big and successful year.

Officials (Kathy McLymond) - Niagara Officials as of September 19, 2021

40 currently certified

19 Master Level

08 National Level

13 Association Level

Niagara Officials selected for the 2021 USATF National Championships

Chris Cummings – Olympic Trials – Horizontal Jumps, Sr Indoor – Horizontal Jumps

Terry Eason – Olympic Trials – Discus, U20 – Head Discus

Dan Egan – Sr Indoor – Clerk

Jim Glinsky – U20 – Pole Vault

Perry Jenkins – Sr Indoors – Head Technical Manager

Kathy McLymond – Olympic Trials – High Jump

Matt Merrill – Indoor Combined Events – Head, Sr Indoors – Clerk

Tom Priester – Sr Indoor – Umpire

Rozanne Redlinski – Indoor Combined Events – Alternate, U20 – Horizontal Jumps

Chris Ribbeck – U20 – Hammer

Track & Field Meets hosted by Niagara Association

Niagara JO Qualifiers/Open Masters on Saturday, June 26, 2021 at SUNY Cortland College – 6 Niagara officials and 6 Adirondack officials

NYS Empire Track & Field Classic on Sunday, July 25, 2021 at SUNY Cortland College – 10 Niagara officials

Officials Training Clinics



Two in person meetings were conducted, one in Orchard Park and one in Hilton, to go through the recertification of officials.

Five zoom training clinics meetings were held in the months of January, February and March.

Expenses for the period of October 2020 to September 2021.

\$53.09 – postage & shipping

\$70.45 – Official of the Year Award

\$30.00 – Frames for Certificates

\$130 – Recertification Clinic - Rental for Orchard Park Community Activity Center on October 18, 2020

\$130 – Recertification Clinic - Donation to Parma Christian Fellowship Church on October 25, 2020

\$413.54 – Total Expenses

Awards – USATF Officials Committee Service Award – Tim Tierney, Karen Ocque, Dave Hillengas
USATF Niagara Official of the Year – Chris Cummings

High Performance (Russ Ebbetts) –

VP Operations (Fred Covelli) - Unfortunately, the Covid pandemic continued to postpone our ability to conduct association related activities due to the fact that many venues (high school or college) were not allowing outside organizations to use their facilities. As such our 2020 Association Youth XC meet was canceled as well as our 2020 Indoor championship meet.

However, on a more positive note we were able to secure the track and field facilities at SUNY Cortland to conduct our 2021 USATF Niagara Association outdoor JO and Master/Open championship meet on June 26th. Qualifying athletes from this meet were then invited to participate at the 1st annual Empire Classic track and field championship also held at SUNY Cortland on July 25th. This meet also involved the other 3 USATF associations in New York (Adirondack, Long Island and New York City)

A big “thank you” goes out to Vice President Russ Ebbetts on securing and organizing both the Niagara championship and Empire Classic at Cortland.

On another positive note, while clerking at the East Coast Conference championships held at Robert Wesleyan College in Rochester, I had a long talk with Mark McCown, head coach of the Robert Wesleyan track team. He was most receptive at hosting future USATF Niagara Association events at their new track and field facility. Discussions continue.

Looking ahead, the 2021 Niagara Association youth XC meet is being organized by our youth chair Izeal Bullock in conjunction with Brett Shelton to be held in a yet to be determined course in the Corning/ Elmira area of our association currently set for November 6th.

We also will be having our USATF Indoor championships at Ithaca College in early January 2022. A big thank you to Coach Jennifer Potter in securing the Ithaca College indoor facility.

As has been the norm over the past 18-24 months, all events are subjected to the current situations/ mandates as they relate to the Covid pandemic... however there seems to be a return to some normalcy at the high school, college and USATF levels as they relate to cross country, track and field and all other running events.



Youth Athletics (Izeal Bullock) – Club Soar has contacted Izeal hosting the Niagara Association JO XC meet the first weekend of November.

6. Unfinished Business

7. Actions of proposed amendments

8. New Business

9. Election of Officers – President – Russ Ebbets, Secretary – Rozanne Redlinski, High Performance Chair – Don Lawrence, Youth Chair – Izeal Bullock, LDR Chair – Eric Boyce, Officials Chair – Kathy McLymond

10. Election of National Delegates – Annual Meeting December 2-5, 2021 in Orlando, FL

11. Adjournment – 12:30pm