



Niagara Association Board Minutes

April 11, 2022

The April Board meeting of the USATF Niagara Association was called to order by President Russ Ebbets at 7:30 om EST. The following Board members were present: Russ Ebbets, Fred Covelli, Don Lawrence, Brian Lombardo, Eric Boyce, Jen Potter, Perry Jenkins, Kathy McLymond and Rozanne Redlinski.

1. Approval of the minutes from March 14, 2022.

Don Lawrence made a motion to accept the minutes of the March Board Meeting. This motion was seconded by Fred Covelli and the motion was passed.

2. President's report:

Russ Ebbets reported that were was no new information about the Ralph Wilson Grant.

The RJT/5 Star programs are set to start at the end of April/beginning of May. There are 10 Youth Clubs involved in the RJT/5 start program.

Growth to Impact checks have been sent out but have not yet been received.

Nazareth College will be the site of the JO/Open/ Masters Outdoor meet on June 25,2022.

Rozanne read Chris's comment that the Nazareth quote was over the budgeted amount. A discussion followed about money that was not used for the Indoor meet. Brian asked about moving money within the budget. This discussion will be tabled until our next meeting with Chris Cummings present.

The Throws Pentathlon will be on July 16, 2022. Both Nazareth College and Utica are being considered. The Adirondack Association has not expressed any interest in this meet so the Utica site may no longer be possible. Concern about the availability of implements was expressed. Russ states that the athletes would need to provide your own implements and this would be stated on the registration form. Jen suggested that we ask Gill or other manufacturers to sponsor the meet and provide us with implements on consignment. Kathy also questioned having this meet without Terry Eason being present since he will be involved in the World Games. Russ said that he wanted a meet between the Niagara Association meet and the Empire State Classic. Russ said he would run the meet. Jen mentioned that the Utica coach may want to run the meet if it was held at Utica. Russ reminded everyone that Utica is not in the Niagara

Association area. Several people expressed interest in going to Utica and would report back to us at the next meeting on the aspects they were going to pursue.

Russ is working with the Convention/Visitors' Bureau's in Rochester, Buffalo and Jamestown for a site for the Region 2 JO meet for 2023. Russ got very positive responses from the Rochester group. Brockport would have housing issues. A Buffalo representative is looking for an 8 lane track for us to use. Jen said that John Fisher will be hosting the D3 meet and will have experience that may help with our JO meet.

Russ stated that the NYS Lions Convention will be in Nagara Falls on May 19-21, 2022. Russ asked for help at the USATF table during this convention. We are hoping that some of the marketing material we ordered will arrive by then.

The Lions clubs have donated \$2450 to the JO program so far this year.

3. Treasurer's report:

Chris Cummings sent everyone a copy of his report. Chris could not be with us because of a scheduling conflict but can be reached at any time with questions.

4. VP reports:

A. Fred Covelli:

Fred asked if Russ had received a contract from Nazareth yet and Russ said that he got it today. There were 2 timing contracts returned to Fred. He recommended that we accept Dave Yen, as he comes highly recommended and was a little less expensive. Eric asked if Dave Yen would be doing the timing or if he would be sending other people to time the meets. That was not stated in the contract. Jen asked that the timing company be able to accept "day of" entries. Fred said that "day of" entries would be accepted.

Rozanne questioned the acceptance of the timing contract before we signed the contract with Nazareth College. Russ read the Board that copy of the Nazareth contract so that we could vote on this contract before we vote on the timing company contract. A discussion about various aspect of the contract followed.

Russ presented a motion to accept the proposal to hold the Niagara Association Outdoor Championships at Nazareth College on June 25, 2022. Brian seconded this motion, and the Board approved the motion.

Russ also presented a motion to accept the proposal by Yen timing for timing this meet. Don asked if travel for the timing company will be an extra cost. Fred said it is all inclusive. Don Seconded the motion and it passed.

Fred used the forms from last year and modified the dates and times the 2022 meet. Eric stated that he wanted a Masters mile and Open mile rather than a 1500 meter. The Mile race will be before the JO 1500 meter. Eric will send information to Fred. Eric asked the Fred to send the information to Andy to set up the registration.

Russ is still waiting for a statement from Region 2 about using the Niagara Association as the qualifier for the Region 2 meet. We need to know if athletes need to qualify or if they have automatic advancement.

Eric recommended that we charge more to for non-members to participate. Members will be charged \$20 and non-members will be charged \$30. This will encourage additional memberships.

B. Terry Eason was not in attendance due to a previous commitment.

C. LDR: Eric Boyce: Next LDR Championship Race is on 5/22/2022, The Liliac 10 KM

D. Membership: Jim Glinsky

Youth—218

Open—199

Masters—343 Clubs are up 3 in March to 36

E. High Performance:

Don Lawrence reported that Vicki Mitchell would be the speaker at his next Zoom session. He has had requests from colleges and high schools for the links to view these sessions.

F. Youth Athletics: Izeal Bullock was not in attendance.

G. Officials:

Kathy McLymond reported that she only had 9 officials for the Association meet. She would send out another email request to the membership. Jen Potter offered to officiate.

H. Calendar Project:

Perry Jenkins asked who will be in charge of the Association meet. We need to pick a meet director since Perry will not be available.

Old Business:

By Laws: Rozanne reported that Scott Irwin was reviewing the bylaws.

Marketing Kit: We are still waiting for the kits to arrive.

New Business:

Region 2 JO's 2023

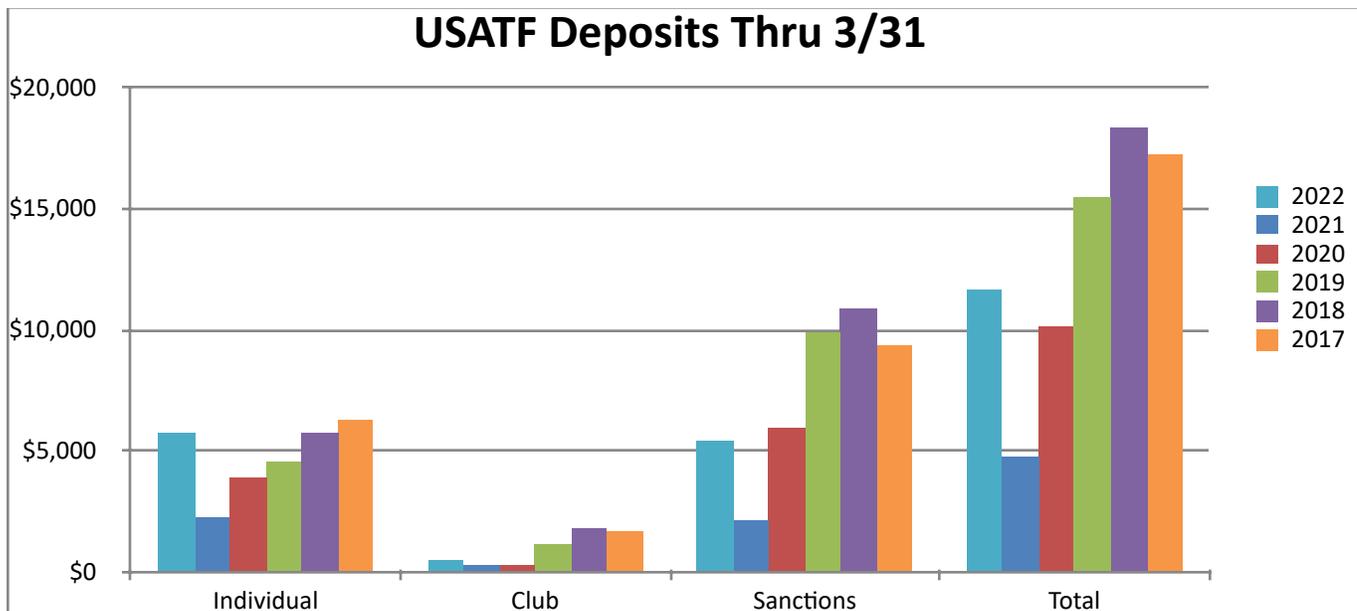
Adjournment: Eric made a motion to adjourn the meeting. This was seconded by Don and was passed at 8:22.

USATF Niagara Treasurer's Report by Chris Cummings

4/11/2022 Board Call

I. Summary:

The chart below shows individual and club membership, as well as sanction revenues for 2022 and the last five years. Memberships continue to be off to strong start (\$5,709 versus a 2017-2021 average of \$4,509), but sanctions continue to lag (\$5,429 versus a 2017-2021 average of \$7,635). In pre-COVID years, we typically would receive approximately 40% of our full year sanctions revenue in the first three months of the year. As of 3/31, we have only received approximately 32% of the \$17,000 we budgeted for the full year from sanctions.



II. As of 4/6/2022, our financial assets include:

Checking	\$28,539 (includes \$2,450 from Lions Contributions for JO)
Savings	<u>\$25,008</u>
Subtotal	\$53,547
Less: HOF Prize \$	-\$500
Less: ESC Funds	<u>-\$2,649</u>
Total Assets	\$50,398

III. As Of 4/6/2022 our 2022 YTD P&L Summary is as follows:

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget*</u>
Income	\$18,452	\$9,926
<u>Expenses</u>	<u>\$3,834</u>	<u>\$9,038</u>
Profit/Loss	\$14,618	\$888

- Budget amounts assumed income was equally received throughout the year (i.e., 1/12 per month).