

NEW YORK ASSOCIATION 2017 ANNUAL MEETING ICAHN STADIUM November 8, 2017

## **MEETING MINUTES**

Executive Board In attendance:

Lauren Primerano John Padula Tom McTaggart Phil Greenwald Ken Kraft Mary Onken Adrian Crichlow

Jordan Temkin Bill Vayo

The 2017 New York Association Annual Meeting was called to order by President Lauren Primerano at 7:15 PM.

Mary Onken made moved to waive the roll call, motion was seconded by Sidney Milden. The motion to waive the roll call was unanimously approved. There were 34 NY Association members in attendance at the meeting.

President Primerano introduced the members of the Executive Board.

Mike Rauh moved to approve the Minutes for the 2016 Annual Meeting, seconded by Sandra Edwards. Minutes for the 2016 Annual Meeting were approved unanimously.

Lauren Primerano presented to the membership the Annual Report. The number of USATF-NY members increased from 4340 in 2016 to 4566 as of November 7, 2017. We've significantly increased our youth membership over last year. There was a drop in the number of Member Organizations down 11 from last year. Lauren pointed out that though we have fewer clubs the ones that are still member organizations are more active. She also mentioned that some clubs have combined. Event Sanctions increased from 178 in 2016 to 203 as of November 7, 2017.

Phil Greenwald gave the financial report. The New York Association is doing well. We are slowly building our reserves. 5 years ago, the NY Association had \$0.00 in the bank. Now we have

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over \$173,000. The NY Association continues to be a low-cost operation, low overhead, no paid staff nor office. We rent a small space for storage of supplies & equipment. We hope to increase the size of our programs.

Sandra Edwards moved to accept the financial report, seconded by Lisa Edwards.

John Padula gave the NY Association Youth Report.

The 2017 Indoor Championships at Ocean Breeze were very successful. There were 51 NY Association records set. The NY Association had 22 National Youth Champions. Our Youth athletes set 7 Indoor National Records. Over 200 Youth athletes earned All-American status. 26 High School athletes earned All-American status. And NY had one High School National Champion.

Outdoors the Youth continued to excel. They set 58 Association Records. NY had 5 Hershey National Champions, over 200 youth medaled at the Region 1 Youth Championship Meet. New York had 1 Junior Olympic National Champion and 10 athletes achieved Junior Olympic All-American Status. We had 19 High School All-Americans and 2 National Champions. We had 5 medalists at the USA Junior National Championships.

The 2017 Cross-Country season is still going on. So far, we've had 3 boys & 5 girls break into the top 5 times at Van Cortlandt Park for their respective age group and distance. John pointed out that the Coaching Education Course will become a requirement beginning in 2018.

Adrien Crichlow went over the Open/Masters divisions.

He said NY produces the best Race Walkers in the USA. 2 race walkers for the NY Association set national records this year. Two NY athletes won gold at the National Championships this past year. 13 of our athletes competed in the IAAF World Championships in London.

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NY athletes won three gold medals at the USATF Indoor Masters Championships. 13 NY athletes competed in the USATF Indoor Championships in Albuquerque. Open & Masters athletes also did well in Road Racing & Cross Country. Michelle Carter from NYAC won the Jackie Joyner-Kersee award as the outstanding female athlete of 2016.

Jordan Temkin gave the report on the Coaches training. There was a coaches' clinic held at Xavier High School on July 20. The topics were sprints, jumps & hurdles. It was well attended, the participants rated it "excellent". The next coaches' clinic will focus on distance running. We would like to hold a Level II Coaches Clinic in New York. The biggest hurdle is that it would have to be held on a college campus. It is a 5-day course and the coaches would have to stay on campus for the week.

Bill Vayo gave the NY Association Racewalk report. The NY Racewalks were held this March at DeWitt Clinton High School. The racewalk also served as the NY Association Championship. There were 47 participants including 30 youth girls. The meet was very well received. Additionally, there were 6 Racewalk clinics held during the indoor & outdoor seasons.

Mary Onken gave the Officials report. NY was well represented at the Junior Olympics, the USATF Masters, the NCAA National Championship meet as well as the USATF Indoor & Outdoor Championship meets. The NY Association Officials were very involved at the National level meets.

Mary was inducted into the National Officials Hall of Fame in 2016. David Katz will be inducted into the National Officials Hall of Fame this year

Adam Sanford informed the NY Association that the Officials Committee is establishing an Officials Hall of Fame. The first class will be inducted into the Officials Hall of Fame at the 2018 Annual Awards Banquet.

## **Looking Ahead**

For the upcoming Indoor season there will be the following Youth Meets:

Indoor Youth Track Series at Ocean Breeze on 12-27-2017, 1-7-2018 & 1-20-2018.

Park Slope Armory Meets on 1-14-2018 & 1-28-2018 (tentative)

Prospect Park Meets on 1-14-18, 2-4-18 & 2-11-18

There will be youth competition at the Millrose Games on February 3, 2018 at the Armory. Ocean Breeze Indoor Track & Field Facility will be hosting several meets this indoor season:

Feb. 11, 2018 NY/NJ Open & Masters Meet

Feb 18, 2018 Pre-National Invitational

Feb 25, 2018 USATF – NY Youth Championships

March 9- 11, 2018 Hershey Youth Indoor National Championships

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Respectfully Submitted 11-9-17 Ken Kraft, Secretary NY Assoc. USATF