



**NEW YORK ASSOCIATION
2019 ANNUAL MEETING
ICAHN STADIUM
October 20, 2019**

8th ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES

Executive Board
In attendance:

John Padula
Tom McTaggart
Ken Kraft
Phil Greenwald
Stephanie Irvin
Adrian Crichlow

Jordan Temkin

The 2019 New York Association Annual Meeting was called to order by President Thomas McTaggart at 3:16 PM.

Lloyd Cornelius made a motion to waive the roll call, it was seconded by Sidney Milden. Motion was approved by all. There were 36 New York Association members in attendance.

A motion to approve the minutes for the 2018 Annual Meeting was made by Zakia Haywood, seconded by Lloyd Cornelius. Motion was approved unanimously.

President Thomas McTaggart introduced the members of the Executive Board in attendance.

President Thomas McTaggart presented to the membership the Annual Report. The number of USATF-NY members currently in 2019 is approximately 4700, which is up slightly from 2018. Our Youth membership is up, our Open & Masters membership is down slightly. There has been

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a drop in the number of membership organizations, from 120 in 2018 to 118 as of October 18, 2019. The drop was likely caused from national website registration issues.

Phil Greenwald gave the financial report. The NY Association began the year with a balance of \$368,612. Financially the Association is building. Hopefully we can grow our Association to be similar to other large USATF Associations. The plan for the future is to continue to grow. We get steady income from memberships and sanctions while keeping expenses low. This year meets netted over 28,000 in profit.

John Padula gave the Youth report. This has been a great year for the Youth in the NY Association. Indoors our Youth Athletes broke 41 NY Association records. NY had 36 National Youth Indoor National Champions & 217 medalists. NY also had 2 High School Indoor National Champions and 16 All-Americans. They also set 3 national records. Outdoors NY had 49 Association records set. We had 16 National Youth Outdoor Champions and 100 youth medalists. At the Outdoor Junior Olympics, we had 3 National Champions & 12 medalists. At the High School National Championships NY athletes won 1 National Championships, had 19 athletes achieve All-American status and had 2 national records set. There was tremendous involvement in the Youth Cross Country program. 2460 youth athletes competed in the Cross Country Series. Lastly John mentioned that the NY Association is looking for a long term youth athlete program. We hope to get the young boys & girls to stay in the sport. We provided over \$25,000 in grants to our youth clubs in 2019.

Adrian Crichlow gave the Open & Masters report. The Open & Masters athletes had a good year. Indoors, we had 2 champions and 10 medalists at the open championship at OB. We had 4 champions and 13 medalists at USATF Masters Championships. Outdoors, 12 NY athletes won their events at the USATF Masters Championships and 23 NY athletes medaled. In the Outdoor open meet 5 athletes won gold and 15 qualified for worlds. In LDR Fiona Bayly won the 5K Masters Championships. Roberta Groner won the masters 8k and finished 6th in the IAAF championship marathon.

Adrian thanked all who participated in the Adam Sanford Invitational Track meet this summer. He also reminded all that there is a need for more Open & Masters clubs.

John Padula gave a report on the Racewalk. Cierra Durcan won the NBN title. We set new association records in every age group. Additionally, participation was up at every meet.

Jordan Temkin gave the coaches ed report. The NY Association hosted a Level 2 Coaching Certification program at St Johns. On 9/5 we hosted a strength and conditioning clinic at Xavier HS given by legendary coach Vern Gambetta. We also started a injury prevention clinic with Prehab physical therapy.

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John Padula mentioned that the New York Association is looking to credential the coaches who have teams at any NY Association meets. The primary purpose is to protect the sport of track & field, as per the guideline established by Safe Sport. We'd like to keep the non-coaches in the stands and not have just anyone walking around on the field or by the track..

Officials report, told the Association that there are currently 114 certified officials in the NY Association. We are in compliance with the USATF Guidelines.
30 officials were selected to work the Indoor National Championship and 6 for the outdoor championship.

John mentioned several of the upcoming meets. The Milrose Games will be on February 8, 2020 at the Armory. Ocean Breeze Athletic Complex on Staten Island and Park Slope Armory in Brooklyn will be holding several Youth Track Series meets this indoor season. There will be several Indoor Championship Meets held in New York this coming indoor season:

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| February 9 | USATF New York/New Jersey Open and Masters, Ocean Breeze |
| February 23 | USATF New York Youth Championships, Ocean Breeze |
| March 13-15 | National High School Championships, Armory |
| March 20-22 | Hershey Youth Indoor National Championships, Ocean Breeze |

Outdoor Meet dates have not been finalized at this time. But it plans to be a busy Outdoor Track & Field season in New York. Specifically mentioned was the USATF Club Nationals which have been held at Icahn Stadium in the past. USATF decided to hold the Club Championship meet every other year instead of every year.

John spoke about the NY Association website. The New York Association website can be used for member management, USATF store, sanctioning information, financial information, contact and event information. It is intended to be the means of communicating with the coaches, athletes & their parents. We firmly believe in celebrating our athletes and their accomplishments. John then mentioned social media. The New York Association currently has: 1,737 Facebook followers, 2,256 Twitter followers & 3,790 Instagram followers.

There have been some problems with the USATF National website recently. USATF plans to revamp their website soon

USATF New York held its third annual Awards Banquet to honor the outstanding performances of the athletes in 2019 and the significant contributions made by its officials, administrators and media partners.

Forty Four (44) Athlete of the Year awards were presented to athletes in Race Walk, Long Distance Running, Track & Field, and Youth Athletics

Elections were held for the following positions on the New York Association Executive Board:
1st Vice President – John Padula Only nominee. Reelected by proclamation
Northern County Rep – Gus Young only Nominee. Elected by proclamation

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Active athlete. Olive Smart and Zakia Haywood Nominated. Zakia drops out and Olive elected by proclamation.

2nd Vice President (only through 2020). Stephanie Irvin only Nominee, Elected by proclamation

Motions to close.

2nd and approved by acclimation.

Motion to close the meeting was made by Sidney Milden, seconded by Sandra Edwards and approved by all. Meeting ended at 4:35 PM.