

**NATIONAL OFFICIALS COMMITTEE
GENERAL MEETING – SESSION # 2
DECEMBER 3, 2005 – RIVER TERRACE
HYATT REGENCY – JACKSONVILLE, FL**

Meeting call to order at 4:10 PM by Chair L. Melzer.

The roll was call by secretary Len Krsak. A quorum was present.

Meeting started with chair L. Melzer announcing gifts to be given to officials, i. e., USATF patch and hip clip. Linda also informed members a hall of fame committee will be instituted. Chair also discussed AAU letter received, and what you can do as a certified USATF official.

Selection Committee Report --- Given by J. Gentry, explained how difficult a process it is to complete the selection. Joe also expressed what one needs to do to be selected. Chair L. Melzer added additional information regarding the process.

G. Kleeman, explained hall of fame process and selection, coaches one year, contributors the next year, about 7 people per year.

R. Harvey, discussed 2005 clinics, stated all were well attended.

Affirmative Development Committee Report --- Presented by Y. Grimes, she stated a new committee mission statement. Goals 1) to obtain statistics on selected officials 2) analyze after selection is made from one year to the next. 3) increase a larger base of officials to apply for championship meets. Committee has a 4 year plan.

Appeals/Grievance Report --- Given by R. Fitzhugh. Year 2005 committee received 9 letters and 6 phone calls. Explained process the committee goes through.

Equipment/Facilities Committee Report --- Presented by G. Kleeman, two newsletters were sent out during 2005 to approximately 500 individuals. Lacking people for weights & measures, need more people to apply. Attendance at committee meeting at the 2005 annual meeting was excellent.

Evaluations Committee Report --- Presented by M. Sanford. Murray thanked committee for their help during 2005. Officials who want to know their evaluation should check with respective head official first, than with Murray Sanford. Discussed evaluation form which can be submitted either on line or mailed. Only at USATF meets are evaluations required.

IAAF Report --- Given by G. Kleeman, discussed ITO'S, ATO'S and NTO,S. George stated additional NTO'S are needed.

Master Referee Committee Report --- Given by J. Skelly, Jim announced committee members. To date 50 people have inquired about the position. Current status 6 have been grandfather in, 6 have passed test but have not been announced as yet, and 10 are pending. Referee experience must be on resume. No committee member or G, Kleeman can give a reference letter of recommendation. Re-doing C D that contains test, current copy has a glitch.

Nominating Committee Report --- None given.

Selection Committee Report --- Given by E. Griggs, stated he may resign due to health issues, responsibility on committee, to review forms.

Uniform Committee Report --- Given by W. Eggers and K. Mitchell, presented new shirt, cost will increase and USATF logo will be removed. Also displayed Boathouse jackets. They also stated 4 x shirts will be available in the future.

News-Letter Report --- J. Hodges-Hite stated cost is approximately \$4500.00 per printing. Always looking for articles.

Web-Site Committee Report --- Given by R. Buzaitis in place of C. Stephens. Rob reported web-site is checked twice per week. Committee is seeking information and articles to be posted on the web-site.

Historian Report --- Given by C. Ruter, presented a history book on USATF officials with information from the beginning till the present. Cost to purchase book as of this date has not been determine.

Sub-Committee Reports --- As follows:

L & L --- Report given by T. Hott Item #45 rejected by L & L, Item #46 removed, Item #47 accepted with re-wording, Item #48 officials committee to withdraw. Summary the officials committee got 3 out of 4 through. Motion to accept L & L report given by G. Kleeman seconded by P. Lavelle. Motion passed unanimously.

L. Melzer reported K. Taylor will be the associations representative and W.Eggers to organization services. An announcement was made that the 2010 annual meeting will be at Virginia Beach. Hotel rooms to be under \$100.00.

Rules Committee Report --- Presented by G. Kleeman, George stated copies of completed report are on the table, exception to the report masters LDR won't change till 2011.

Disabled Athlete's Report --- Presented by D. Hutchins. All 2005 meets were short on officials. She also stated a number of qualifying meets were held during 2005. Discussed all championships.

Old Business --- None discussed.

New Business --- Bob Tice introduce Irene Herman who gave a presentation regarding an additional insurance program for officials working meets other than USATF, \$12.00 per person per year. She also suggested each individual purchase an umbrella policy to their current policy. Discussion took place. B.Colman made a motion to explore program seconded by P. Lavelle. Motion passed unanimously.

L. Melzer discussed USATF board of director's book on restructuring. Many disciplines will lose representation.

K. Turner discussed selection process. Informed members 2005 was a great success also informed membership 2006 selection results will be posted at the end of the meeting.

J. Gentry said M & W track & field questioned some officials health and abilities. Possible physical testing may be required in the future.

G. Kleeman discussed saving clause motion. Motion passed unanimously.

L. Melzer asked for a motion to adjourn . Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 6:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Len Krsak
NOC Secretary