

**NATIONAL OFFICIALS COMMITTEE  
OF  
USA TRACK & FIELD**

**2011 NATIONAL CONVENTION REPORT**

**Hyatt Regency Hotel  
St. Louis, MO**

**November 30-December 4, 2011**

**EXECUTIVE BOARD**

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Vice Chair – Training  
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**National Officials Committee  
Executive Board Meeting  
2011 Annual Meeting Agenda  
St Louis, MO  
Thursday, December 1, 2011  
11:00 AM To 12:50 PM**

Meeting called to order	Len Krsak
Reading/Approval of Minutes	Tom Hott
Treasurers' Report	Sue Polansky

**Officers' Reports**

Summary of Reports ..... Entire reports to be given at the General Session

Chair	Len Krsak
Vice Chair of Certification	Jimmy Stuart
Vice Chair of Training	Mark Heckel
Vice Chair of Rules	George Kleeman
Vice Chair of Awards	Gordon Bocock

**Sub-Committee Reports/Discussion**

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Adjournment

**National Officials Committee**  
**2011 Agenda**  
**St Louis, MO**  
**Officials General Session # 1**  
**Friday, December 2, 2011**  
**9:00 AM – 11:50 AM**

Meeting Called to Order	Len Krsak
Roll Call	Tom Hott
Reading/Approval of Minutes	Tom Hott
Treasurers' Report	Sue Polansky

**Officers' Report**

Chair	Len Krsak
Awards	Gordon Bocock
Certification	Jimmy Stuart
Rules	George Kleeman
Training	Mark Heckel

**Presenters**

Ludus Tours	Olympic Tours
Shelby Sharp	Marshal/Liability

**Continue with Subcommittee Reports ----- As time allows**

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Communication/Newsletter	Jimmy Stuart
Equipment & Facilities	Bob Springer
Evaluations	Murray Sanford
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Law & Legislation	John Bahakel
Master Referee	Jim Skelly
Uniform/Merchandise	Win Eggers & Keith Mitchell

**Agenda Continued**  
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**Saturday, December 3, 2011**  
**2:00 PM-4:50 PM**

**Guest**

USATF President/Board of Directors	Stephanie Hightower
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New Business	
Unfinished Business	
Adjournment	

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**COMMITTEE REPORT**

**CHAIR'S REPORT**

Len Krsak

As the year 2011 draws to a close I've tried to capture within the next two pages or so what has transpired over the year regarding the National Officials Committee.

2011 was a busy year for many officials starting in February and continuing thru the first part of August working a variety of championship meets: USATF (Senior, Youth and Masters), NCAA all Divisions I, II, III and finally in August the World Masters (WMA) which is conducted somewhere in the world every two years. In 2011 it was held in Sacramento, CA. George Kleeman from the Pacific Association was the meet director and did a remarkable job of putting the pieces of this meet together. A good indication that our training programs (clinics) and the availability of "Best Practices" material are paying dividends is that all of these meets were virtually protest free.

A considerable amount of time was spent in February preparing for a court deposition regarding an injury situation that occurred at Princeton University in 2009. Testimony was given as to how we (USATF – NOC) recruit, test, mentor and communicate safety at meets. End result of this case a judge dismissed USATF from the lawsuit.

I have observed that individuals are starting to use "Best Practices" material at meets and clinics. This is what the program was designed for, however we must be vigilant that all materials are relevant and up to date regarding rules and procedures. As I stated above regarding the Princeton situation, attorneys from both sides downloaded and printed much of the throwing material listed and presented the material as exhibits.

The transfer of certification material and equipment from Jim Flanik to Jimmy Stuart was completed in January 2011. Because of this transfer there was some downtime regarding the processing of certifications.

The NOC Executive Board decided at the Midyear meeting to process all future championship meet applications via e-mail. Delivering the applications via e-mail will save the NOC Committee in excess of \$2500.00 each year in expenses. Also Jimmy Stuart is re-developing the certification process for the next Olympiad. Sue Polansky has been very diligent in tracking the committees' money in an accounting process change over. Mark Heckel has been busy developing new training programs and updating current ones. In addition Mark has developed an event protocol form to be used by heads of events at USATF championship meets. As has been the norm for the past several years Gordon Boccock came to the midyear meeting well prepared to discuss award selections for the 2011 annual meeting. George Kleeman updated the committee regarding the various rule changes taking place at all levels of track & field i. e., USATF, NCAA and NFHS. Tom Hott does a great job in keeping a record of our meetings and getting the minutes posted in a timely manner. And last but not least Don Berry our parliamentarian does an excellent job of keeping our meetings civil and legal. In addition Don was selected to be the NOC's representative to the selection committee for 2011. The NOC executive committee as a group works well together and makes decisions in your best interest.

Membership – Officials renewing and keeping their membership current after the first year of a new Olympiad is a serious problem. Many do not renew after re-certification takes place for various reasons. I am currently addressing this situation with USATF's office staff for a resolution to this problem.

Throughout the year I have had many conversations, in person and via phone, with USATFs' staff, President Stephanie Hightower, and several members on the Board of Directors regarding matters that affect officials. They all are aware of the excellent work you do that benefits the sport and athletes.

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**COMMITTEE REPORT**

**SECRETARY'S REPORT**

Tom Hott

**National Officials Committee  
Executive Board Meeting  
Virginia Beach, VA  
Minutes  
Thursday, December 2, 2010  
11:00 am To 12:50 pm**

**Meeting called to order**

Len Krsak

President Krsak called the meeting to order at 11:10 am.

**Reading/Approval of Minutes**

Tom Hott

Motion by George Kleeman, second by Gordon Bocock, to approve the minutes of the Executive Board Mid-Year meeting. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report**

Sue Polansky

Sue Polansky summarized the financial report as of November 30, 2010 and the 2011 budget

Motion by George Kleeman, second by Gordon Bocock, to accept the financial report and the proposed budget. Motion carried.

**Officer's Report**

- Chair

Len Krsak

The Chair's report is on the officials' web site.

- Vice Chair of Certification

Jim Flanik

Jim Flanik reported there are about 7000 officials certified this Olympiad

However, a large number of veteran officials not recertifying

There are many new officials certified

- Vice Chair of Training

Rob Buzaitis

The training meeting met on Wednesday evening.

A copy of the training chair's report is on the web site

- Vice Chair of Rules

George Kleeman

The rules report is on the web site.

- Vice Chair of Awards

Gordon Bocock

Ron Daniel reported on the proposed Lori Maynard Race Walk award.

Moved by Don Berry, second by George Kleeman, to remove the selection criteria and procedure off the table. Motion carried.

Motion by Rob Buzaitis, second by George Kleeman, to amend the motion to include revised award selection procedure.

Amendment passed. Moved by Rob Buzaitis, second by Sue Polansky, to approve the motion as amended. Motion carried.

Mr. Bocock reported that some officials need to pick up award dinner tickets. He has 13 tickets left for the banquet.

**Sub-Committee Reports/Discussion**

- Master's Referee
- L/L Report

Jim Skelly

John Bahakel

Two major L&L proposals have been presented for approval by the L&L committee. Current USATF board members can be re-nominated without all the steps new board members can be nominated.

A board member's partial term for short time will not count against 2 term limit.

- Technical Officials

Laurie Boemker

Laurie reported that USATF may not need as many TO's as in the past. TO's will focus on field events.

The entire TO program is to be analyzed and perhaps redone.

**Old Business**



- Newsletter

No report

- Rules Reviews

The 2010 rules reviews are shorter than the 2009 reviews

New officials' reviews written for each discipline.

Association, National, Master, and Referee review in each discipline have been revised.

- Certification Task Force Committee – Update

Don Berry reported. The committee will meet on Thursday. The issue of certification and advancement will be an ongoing project. The goal is to improve certification system.

### **New Business**

- Clinic ... Template (Kit)

The idea of putting a clinic kit together has been discussed. The kit should include: what is needed in a clinic, clinic materials, etc.

President Krsak asked Rob Buzaitis to look into holding regional clinics

- Officials Selection Process

The procedure is the same as last several years.

Those selected for the national championship meets will be posted after last official's general meeting

- Vice Chair of Certification Process

Bylaws/Operating Procedures (Changes and/or updates)

- Grants ... Training video, ever applied for?

Sue Polansky will look into this

- Foreign Exchange Program

This has been a positive program. The committee needs to look at various countries in addition to the U.K.

- Uniform

A show of hands indicated that the majority of those attending the Executive Board meeting like the current uniforms.

The uniform committee will investigate this issue further.

- Unregistered officials attending annual meetings

Unregistered people can attend any meeting as long as they are USATF members. They just cannot vote.

- Recruiting

All associations must do a better job of recruiting new officials.

President Krsak suggested an introductory CD for recruiting use.

Training committee will work on this.

- NOC Board Election

Vice President of Awards, Vice President of Certification, and Treasurer will be elected for 4-year terms and the Vice

President of Training will be elected to fulfill the remaining 2 years of the term

All of the elections will be held during first officials' general meeting on Friday.

- Certification Chairs

Some Certification Chairs are not completing their entire jobs. In the associations in which this is a problem, the members of the association must address this issue as appropriate to each association.

- Rule Book

A discussion of having the rule book every other year instead of every year was held. A suggestion was made to have rule book available on digital reader.

The USATF rule book is edited on odd numbered years because the IAAF rules changes do not match USATF years.

There are some changes proposed for changing starting procedures.

- Adjournment

Motion by George Kleeman, second by Rob Buzaitis, to adjourn. Motion carried.

**National Officials Committee  
Minutes  
Officials General Session  
Virginia Beach, VA  
Friday, December 3 & Saturday, December 4, 2010**

Meeting Called to Order at 9:04 am Len Krsak

Motion and second to alter the order of the agenda items. Motion carried

Roll Call Tom Hott

Reading/Approval of Minutes Tom Hott

Motion and second to approve the minutes of the 2009 NOC General session #1 & #2, December 2009 NOC Executive Board minutes, and the NOC Executive Board Mid Year Minutes. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report Sue Polansky

Motion and second to accept the November 2009 financial report. Motion carried.

Motion and second to accept the 2010 proposed budget. Motion carried.

**Officer's Reports**

• Chair Len Krsak

Chair's report is on line as part of the NOC National Convention Report.

• Awards Gordon Bocock

Gordon Bocock presented the finalist nominees for each award

Vice Chair of Awards report is on line as part of the NOC National Convention Report.

• Certification Jim Flanik

Jim Flanik reported almost 7000 certified officials at this time.

Vice Chair of Certification report is on line as part of the NOC National Convention Report.

• Rules George Kleeman

George Kleeman summarized the work of the Rules Committee to date.

Vice Chair of Rules report is on line as part of the NOC National Convention Report.

• Training Rob Buzaitis

Mr. Buzaitis reported that the officials' exchange program with the U.K. is being reviewed. The committee is looking at other countries for exchanges. Vice Chair of Training report is on line as part of the NOC National Convention Report.

**Nominations/Elections**

Nominating Sub-Committee Val Foss

• Nominee's – NOC Treasurer

Nominees for Treasurer are Sue Polansky and DeLewis Johnson. No nominees from the floor. Motion and second to close nominations for Treasurer. Motion carried.

• Nominee's – Vice Chair Certification

Nominees for Vice Chair of Certification are Jimmy Stuart, Richard Schornstein, and E. Scott Rose. Don Berry was nominated from the floor. Motion and second to close nominations for Vice Chair of Certification. Motion carried.

• Nominee's – Vice Chair Training

Nominees for Vice Chair of Training are Rob Buzaitis and Mark Heckel. No nominees from the floor. Motion and second to close nominations for Vice Chair of Training.

- Nominee's – Vice Chair Awards

Nominee for Vice Chair of Awards is Gordon Bocock. No nominations from the floor. Motion and second to elect Gordon Bocock by acclamation. Motion passed.

Results of election

Treasurer – Sue Polansky

Vice Chair of Training – Mark Heckel

Vice Chair of Certification – Jimmy Stuart

Motion and second to destroy the ballots. Motion carried.

### **Sub Committee and Other Reports**

- Mike Price

Mr. Price presented a detailed overview of the official's insurance program.

- Shelby Sharpe

Mr. Sharpe presented a summary of the liability of officials and referenced a summary paper to be posted on line.

- Bob Podkaminer

Mr. Podkaminer presented a summary of the changes in the NCAA rules for 2010.

Motion and second to recess until 2:00 pm Saturday, December 5, 2010. Motion carried.

Motion and second to return from recess at 2:00 pm Saturday, December 5, 2010. Motion carried.

- Ed Gorman

Mr. Gorman reported on the USATF Indoor and Outdoor Championship meets.

- Affirmative Development

Ms. Grimes' report is on line as part of the NOC National Convention Report

- Appeals/Selections

Ms. Murray's report is on line as part of the NOC National Convention Report

- Communications/Newsletter

Mr. Stuart's report is on line as part of the NOC National Convention Report

- Equipment & Facilities

Mr. Springer's report is on line as part of the NOC National Convention Report.

- Evaluations

Mr. Sanford's report is on line as part of the NOC National Convention Report

- IAAF Technical Officials

Ms.Boemker presented a summary of the Technical Officials program. Will use only four Technical Officials at the USATF Outdoor Championship in 2011. There is an ongoing evaluation of the Technical Officials program and there may be some changes made to the program.

- Law & Legislation

Mr. Bahakel reported that an amendment will be recommended to the USATF delegates to allow a person who is serving an unexpired term of two years or less on the board to be eligible to run for two (2) full four (4) year terms. An amendment will also be recommended to allow a committee to re-nominate a sitting board member to a second term without the full nomination process. An amendment will be recommended to all an "other" category for USATF membership. Mr. Bahakel's report is on line as part of the NOC National Convention Report

- Master Referee

Mr. Skelly reported on the Master Referee program and announced the new Master Referees certified in 2010. He also reported the committee is working on a recruitment campaign to encourage more officials to apply. The testing process will include more situational questions also.

### **Special Reports/Topics**

Officials Insurance

Liability of Officials

NCAA Information

USATF Meet Information

Yvonne Grimes

Delores Murray

Jimmy Stuart

Bob Springer

Murray Sanford

Laurie Bomeker

John Bahakel

Jim Skelly

- Uniform/Merchandise

Win Eggers & Keith Mitchell

Mr. Mitchell and Ms. Eggers showed the new hat design and also a new long sleeve officials' shirt. A poll of those attending the meeting indicated the majority like the shirt design at present. A request was made for a straw hat hatband. Mr. Mitchell will look into the availability of a hatband. Mr. Mitchell's and Ms. Eggers' report is on line as part of the NOC National Convention Report.

- Women's Long Distance Running

Barb Palma

Ms. Palma asked those who may have pictures of women's long distance running committee or events to get those to her.

- Member Services

Ed Koch

Mr. Koch announced that the 2015 USATF Annual Convention will be held in Houston, TX and the 2016 USATF Annual Convention will be held at the Hilton Hotel in Orlando, FL.

- IAAF

David Katz

Mr. Katz announced the officials who worked the 2010 IAAF meets. He also referred to a referee handbook that is available on-line.

### **Other**

Meets needing officials were announced by representatives of the meets. Those meets include:

WMA World Masters

MAC Outdoor Championship

NAL DIII Indoor

Pacific Ten Conference Championship

MEAC Championship

NCAA DII Outdoor Championship

2011 Junior Olympics

2012 Junior Olympics

USATF Masters Indoor Championship

### **New Business**

No new business

### **Unfinished Business**

No unfinished business

Motion and second to adjourn at 4:05 pm. Motion carried.

**National Officials Committee  
Executive Board Meeting  
Virginia Beach, VA  
Minutes  
Saturday, December 4, 2010  
4:00 pm To 5:00 pm**

President Krsak called the meeting to order at 4:18 pm.

President Krsak stated the new officers elected at this convention will assume their duties on January 1, 2011.

Bob Podkaminer requested the Executive Committee write a formal letter of complaint to the USATF Board and President Hightower stating that neither President Hightower nor any member of the USATF board attended or spoke at either session of the NOC.

Jim Flanik moved, seconded by Rob Buzaitis, to have the Secretary write a letter of to the USATF Board and President Hightower concerning the lack of communication between the USATF Board and the standing committees. Motion carried.

President Krsak announced the Executive Board mid-year meeting will be held April 18-20, 2011. He will look into a facility in the Cincinnati, OH area.

Sue Polansky moved, second by Gordon Boccock, to suspend the officials' exchange program for 2011 only. Many members of the Executive Committee commented that because the WMA World Outdoor Championship is being held in California, there is little reason for USATF officials to travel overseas in 2011. Motion carried.

Sue Polansky moved, seconded by George Kleeman, to adjourn. Motion carried.

**National Officials Committee  
Executive Board  
Mid Year Meeting  
April 18 – 20, 2011  
Columbus, Ohio**

**Minutes**

**Chair** Meeting called to order at 4:21 pm April 18, 2011

**Secretary** Reading of Minutes

Motion by Gordon Bocock, seconded by George Kleeman, to accept minutes from 2010 Executive Board mid-year meeting and December 2010 Executive Board meetings. Motion carried.

**Treasurer**

Discussion to clarify Hall of Fame budget for 2011 to indicate budgeted income and budgeted expenditures.

Discussion to consider a 4-year financial plan to be developed for the next Olympiad.

Financial reports from December 31, 2010 and March 31, 2011 were accepted.

**Chair's and Vice-Chair's Reports**

Chair

President Krsak reported on the search for new USATF CEO position, a court deposition regarding an injury that occurred at Princeton University, the Indoor Championships, transfer of certification materials and equipment from Jim Flanik to Jimmy Stuart, and the use of "Best Practice" materials at meets.

Motion by Gordon Bocock, seconded by Sue Polansky to recess April 18, 2011 at 6:00 pm. Motion Carried.

Motion by Don Berry, seconded by Mark Heckel, to come out of recess April 19, 2011 at 8:00 a.m. Motion passed.

Vice Chair of Awards

Motion by Sue Polansky, seconded by Don Berry, that any listing of association award winners will be done by the local associations. Motion passed.

Motion by Sue Polansky, seconded by Mark Heckel, that NOC award lapel pins be given only to the award winner. Motion carried.

NOC National Awards -- The Executive Board policy is to furnish one award and one lapel pin for each award winner .

National Award Finalists

*Lori Maynard Award Finalists*

Elliott Denman  
Jim Hanley  
Ginger Mulanax  
Lawrie Robertson

Gary Westerfield

*James Gray Award Finalists*

Fred Adler  
Gordon Boccock  
William Hickman  
Len Krsak  
Keith Mitchell

*John Davis Award Finalist*

Don Berry  
Gene Edmonds  
Lawrie Robertson  
Charles Sheppard  
Ruth White

*Horace Crow Award Finalists*

Doug Allen  
Shirley Connors  
Mark Heckel  
Richard Messenger  
Eric Smith

*Charles Ruter Award Finalists*

Larry Dixon  
John Drolla  
Tom Hott  
Linda Melzer  
James McKee

Motion by Tom Hott, seconded by George Kleeman, to destroy the award ballots. Motion carried.

Discussion of Andy Bakjian Award. Nominations are being accepted at this time. Ballots will be voted on in September, 2011.

Discussion of Hall of Fame Award. Nominations are being accepted at this time. Nominations are due June 15. Ballots will be sent in September, 2011.

Discussion of actual awards (globes). Some have asked committee to consider rings for award winners. Motion by Tom Hott, seconded by Mark Heckel, to have Sue Polansky investigate the design and pricing of a ring to be available for purchase by NOC Hall of Fame award winners.

Vice Chair of Certification

7500 registered officials to date. Approximately 500 new officials since January 1, 2011. Will need a new card printer probably by the end of 2011. Will work on combing certification web site with officials' information web site. Jimmy is working on cleaning up the certification data base.

Vice Chair of Rules

No rules changes since December, 2010. Association certification chairs have the new rules reviews and answer keys. The rules are available on line. For the new Olympiad, the rules reviews will be revised to have about 25 questions and also to reflect any rules changes implemented in 2011.

### Vice Chair of Training

The Training Committee has initiated an internal information sharing web site for the members of the training committee. This site is not available to the general membership. The training subcommittees did not have full understanding of what each subcommittee was doing. With the new internal web site, this issue has improved. Need to tie training more closely to certification. The committee wants to standardize look and feel of print materials. Need to link certification with e-learning.

The Committee recommends development of a protocol sheet for how each event is run at national meets. Want to have prototype available for the horizontal jumps at the 2011 National Outdoor Championships. Training must be linked to recruiting and provide a pathway to advancement.

### ***Old Business***

Training committee has reviewed Eric Zemper's training materials. The materials are great materials, but need to be revised to more usable sections of information. The material needs to be reformatted to be usable for most officials.

### ***New Business***

#### **USATF Annual Meeting**

As of this date additional day has not been added to the meeting.

NOC will add a day to the selection committee agenda.

Room size for clinics and meetings were adequate last year. However, we may need to rethink room set-ups for some. Have surveyed officials selected for the National Outdoor Championship to discover topics for clinics to be held at that event.

Certification chair asked that the certification chair meeting be moved in the schedule so that meeting is not during one or more of the training sessions. We may need a session for certification changes if any.

This is an L&L year.

#### **Selection of officials for Championship Meets**

Application -- Re-design & make the application available on website for 2012.

Officials Representative To Selection Committee -- Don Berry was recommended to serve on the Selection Committee. Don agreed to serve.

Dates of meeting in December -- The selection committee will meet at least one day in advance of the USATF convention and the selection committee will meet two days.

#### **Certification Process**

Don Berry reviewed the proposals the Certification Study Committee developed.



Jimmy Stuart presented white paper submitted by Rob Buzaitis concerning proposed certification changes.

Jimmy Stuart presented a proposal concerning a new certification process for the new Olympiad.

Motion by Jimmy Stuart moved, seconded by Gordon Bocock, to add a New Officials level for first time officials beginning in 2012.

Motion by Gordon Bocock, seconded by Sue Polansky, to recess April 19, 2011 at 6:00 pm. Motion passed.

Motion by Don Berry, seconded by Sue Polansky, to come out of recess April 20, 2011 at 8:00 am. Motion passed.

Executive Board continued discussion of new certification proposals.

Jimmy Stuart will edit proposal he presented to reflect the ideas of the Executive Board and present it to the Executive Board.

A new I. D. Badge and Card Holder idea was discussed and approved.

A brief outline of Association Certification duties and responsibility was discussed.

The Executive Board commends Jimmy Stuart for his efforts in updating the certification process in an effort to assist association certification chairs in their duties.

The Board discussed drafting a common brochure for potential new officials. The training committee is charged with formulating the draft.

New On Line Evaluation Process -- A draft of the on line forms was presented to the Board. The Training Committee will work on the on line evaluation tool.

### **Topics For Discussion**

Electronic Measuring Equipment -- Recommendation to purchase 2 measuring devices. Len asked Mark to send him information concerning brand of device, cost, etc. Suggesting the cost is a USATF function.

Rulebox Software -- Provides on line training/testing/tutorial for a fee -- Executive Board agree that the NOC web site can provide this.

Kahuna Timing Request -- The Executive Committee agreed the NOC should not be involved in promoting a timing conference or convention.

Starter's Uniform -- USATF Indoor & Outdoor Championships. The Executive Board recommends the starters wear the uniform decided by meet management.

Officials Uniform Shirt -- National officials' uniform shirt policy is being reviewed.

National Official's Award Winners -- The national award winners will be posted on website with pictures.

### **Officials Situations**

Good News! -- The Pacific Association refunded \$120.00 back to the officials that worked the JO's in 2010.

Meet Issues -- Issues between officials & meet management at Championship meets were discussed. At a championship we have to convince people to only do their assignments and not other people's assignments. These issues must be handled at the time of the meet and on an individual basis.

IAAF Area Starter's Course -- Tiffany Banks was selected and participated in March. She will make a presentation at one of the general sessions at the convention.

Foreign Exchange Program -- The program has been suspended for 2011 due to the World Masters meet being conducted in California. We have contacts in Jamaica, Canada, and other countries. Motion by Sue Polansky, seconded by Gordon Bocock, to suspend the Foreign Exchange Program for 2012. Motion carried.

Development Official Mentoring Program -- The Training Committee was asked to develop criteria for this mentoring program.

Association Clinic Kit -- The Training Committee will develop a template for associations to use.

Training Videos -- The Executive Board would like to update videos for training officials in each event. Videos exist, but are quite old.

USATF Board -- Len Krsak is now communicating with the officials' representative to the USATF Board of Directors at least once per month.

Motion by Gordon Bocock, seconded by Sue Polansky, to adjourn at 11:29 am. Motion carried.

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**COMMITTEE REPORT**

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Sue Polansky

**USATF NATIONAL OFFICIALS COMMITTEE  
FINANCIAL REPORT November 1, 2011**

**Cash Available - January 1, 2011**

Income Account	\$ 0
Expenditure Account	0
Ledger Account	14,390.51
Cash On Hand	<u>1,390.18</u>
	<b>\$ 15,780.69</b>

<b>INCOME</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>	<b>BUDGETED</b>	<b>DIFFERENCE</b>
Certification	\$ 10,150.00 <del>X</del>	18,750.00	(8,600.00)
Sales Items			
ID/Name Badges	186.00	250.00	( 64.00)
Patches	75.00	500.00	( 425.00)
Pins	53.00	250.00	( 197.00)
Awards			
Sponsorship	460.00 <del>∞</del>	0	460.00
Hall of Fame Banquet	0	8,000.00	(8,000.00)
USATF Budgeted	<u>22,000.00</u>	<u>22,000.00</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 32,924.00</b>	<b>\$ 49,750.00</b>	<b>(\$ 16,826.00)</b>

**EXPENDITURES**

Communication			
Listserve	\$ 0	700.00	700.00
Website	0	200.00	200.00
Contingency (Miscellaneous)	0	250.00	250.00
Copying/Printing	0	700.00	700.00
Database/Computer Maintenance	1,727.4	7,000.00	5,272.54
Postage	44.00	1,000.00	956.00
Sales Items			
ID/Name Badges	0	300.00	300.00
Patches	0	400.00	400.00
Pins	0	1,250.00	1,250.00
Subcommittees			
Awards	0	6,000.00	6,000.00
Certification	0	4,000.00	4,000.00
Equipment & Facilities	519.28	500.00	(19.28)
Hall of Fame	0	2,000.00	2,000.00
Law & Legislation	0	100.00	100.00
Nominations	0	0	0
Rules	0	100.00	100.00
Selection	0	7,000.00	7,000.00
Training	787.10	8,000.00	7,212.90
Supplies	425.00	1,000.00	575.00
Telephone	0	900.00	900.00
Conference Calls	56.41	350.00	293.59
Travel/Food/Lodging			
Annual Meeting	4,000.00	4,000.00	0
Mid Year Meeting	5,250.21	4,000.00	(1,250.21)
Meet Liaison	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$ 12,809.46</b>	<b>\$ 49,750.00</b>	<b>\$ 36,940.54</b>

**Cash Available – November 1, 2011**

USATF Budgeted Account - Expenditures	\$ 9,234.54
Officials Account – Income	7,390.00
Cash on Hand	<u>1,890.18</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 18,514.72</b>

\* Ledger Account 17,380.51

Total Assets 11/1/2011 \$ 35,895.23

\*\* NOTES:

- The Ledger Account is money that that has been held over from previous years. This is used to make up the difference between our expenses and the amount budgeted to the NOC by USATF.
- ~~1~~\$2,990.00 of income for 2010 Certifications was placed into the Ledger Account.
- ∞ Payment for 2010 sponsorship of the Jim Grey and Race Walk awards.

**NATIONAL OFFICIALS COMMITTEE  
2012 PRELIMINARY BUDGET**

**Anticipated Reserve – January 1, 2012**

Cash on Hand	\$ 1,900.00
Officials Income Account	17,500.00
Officials Reserve Account	17,390.00
USATF Budgeted Account	<u>(17,000.00)</u>
	<b>\$ 19,790.00</b>

	<u>Anticipated Income</u>	<u>Anticipated Expenses</u>
<b>ADMINISTRATION</b>		
USATF Budget	\$ 29,800.00	\$ -
Contingency	-	250.00
Copying/Printing	-	700.00
Newsletter/Email Services	-	800.00
Postage	-	500.00
Supplies	-	1,000.00
Telephone	-	500.00
Conference Calls	-	350.00
Sales Items		
Name Badges	200.00	-
Card Holders (1000x \$.51)	-	510.00
Patches	500.00	-
Pins	250.00	-
Website Services/Hosting	-	<u>3,000.00</u>
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 30,750.00</b>	<b>\$ 7,610.00</b>
 <b>COMMITTEES</b>		
Awards		
NOC Awards	\$ 1,380.00	\$ 5,000.00
Hall of Fame		
Banquet	10,000.00	9,900.00
Gifts	-	270.00
Certification		
Members (800 x \$15)	12,000.00	-
Database Maintenance	-	9,400.00
Equipment & Facilities	-	500.00
Law & Legislation	-	100.00
Nominations	-	250.00
Rules	-	100.00
Selection	-	4,000.00
Training	-	<u>7,500.00</u>
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 23,380.00</b>	<b>\$ 37,020.00</b>
 <b>TRAVEL/MEETINGS</b>		
NOC Mid-Year Meeting	-	\$ 4,500.00
USATF Annual Meeting	-	4,000.00
USATF Meet Liaison	-	<u>1,000.00</u>
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>		<b>\$ 9,500.00</b>
 <b>TOTAL ANTICIPATED INCOME</b>		
	<b>\$ 54,130.00</b>	
 <b>TOTAL ANTICIPATED EXPENSES</b>		
		<b>\$ 54,130.00</b>

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**COMMITTEE REPORT**

**VICE CHAIR AWARDS  
REPORT**

Gordon Boccock

The Awards Committee report is designed as both a yearly and historical report. The section highlighted in grey will let you know what has taken place during the past year while the rest of the report will keep you informed of the history of the Awards Committee and the various Award Winners of the USATF National Officials Committee.

#### **Association Awards:**

The USATF Convention in Tampa – 1986 the National Officials Committee instituted the process of issuing a maximum number of annual **National Outstanding Official Awards**. The number of awards for each association is five percent (5%) of the total National, Master and Emeritus officials in each Association. The individuals in these categories are only eligible for one award in the Olympiad (2005 – 2008).

The **National Outstanding Official Award** is for the association to provide an appreciation to officials for their dynamic officiating, contributions to the organization and support to the athletes. This award is not to replace any local programs but in addition as this lets the National Officials Committee show support to you and your officials.

This distinguished award is printed on parchment and signed by our National Officials Committee Chair and the USATF President. This is embossed with the National Officials Committee seal.

The National Officials Committee Vice-Chair for Certification will provide the Vice-Chair of Awards with listing of each association's number of officials as of July 31

- The number of certifications for each association is determined by the number of upper level officials in each association as of August 1. Due to the fact that so many certifications were not processed by this date in 2005, the National Officials Executive Committee decided to allow each association to receive certificates for 5% of the total number of officials they had for the 2000-2005 Olympiad period.
- In 2005, the first year of the current Olympiad period, 57 associations were eligible for the **National Outstanding Official Awards**. Ten of these associations (Border, Central California, Missouri Valley, Montana, Oklahoma, South Texas, Utah, Virginia, West Virginia and Wyoming) did not return names for this award. That was 82% participation from the 57 associations eligible for awards and resulted in 384 certificates being processed and mailed to the various association certification chairs.
- In 2006, the second year of the current Olympiad period, 49 Associations were eligible for **National Outstanding Official Awards**. Alaska, Border, Central California, Dakotas, Montana, Nevada, West Virginia and Wyoming did not meet the requirements to be eligible to receive awards. Two of the associations (Minnesota and Oregon) eligible to receive awards did not return names for this award. That was 96% participation from those 49 Associations eligible for awards and resulted in 116 certificates being processed and mailed to the various Association Certification Chairs.
- In 2007, the third year of the current Olympiad period, 49 Associations were eligible for **National Outstanding Official Awards**. As in 2006 Alaska, Border, Central California, Dakotas, Montana, Nevada, West Virginia and Wyoming did not meet the requirements to be eligible to receive awards. Six of the associations (Gulf, Inland Northwest, Michigan, Ozark, South Carolina and Three Rivers) were eligible to receive awards but did not return any names. That was 88% participation from those 49 associations eligible for awards and resulted in 122 certificates being processed and mailed to the various association certification chairs.



- In 2008, the fourth year of the Olympiad period the **National Officials Committee voted at the mid-year meeting to allow the association to receive at least one certificate per year.** With that in mind I am happy to report that all 57 Association have sent in names and have received certificates for the **National Outstanding Official Awards.** According to the late Jim Grey, this is the first time in recorded history that 100% of the Associations have participated in this area. A total of 143 certificates were processed and sent to the various association certification chairs.
- For the 2005-2008 Olympiad Period a total of 764 Outstanding Official Awards were prepared and presented to the association certification chairs and given to deserving officials across the United States.
- In 2009, the first year of a new Olympiad period the National Officials Executive Committee decided to allow each association to receive certificates for 5% of the total number of officials they had for the 2005-2008 Olympiad period. 56 associations were eligible for the **National Outstanding Official Awards.** Five of these associations (Michigan, Minnesota, Pacific Northwest, Potomac Valley and Snake River) did not return names for this award. That was 91% participation from the 56 associations eligible for awards and resulted in 335 certificates being processed and mailed to the various association certification chairs.
- In 2010 the second year of the current Olympiad period, 56 associations were eligible for the **National Outstanding Official** awards. Only the Alaska association decided not to participate as numerous attempts failed to get any response from anybody in the North West. That was 98% participation from the 56 associations eligible for awards and it resulted in 128 certificates being processed and mailed to the various association certification chairs.
- In 2011 the third year of the current Olympiad period, 55 associations were eligible for the **National Outstanding Official** awards. After numerous attempts and reminders there were eight associations (Border, Florida, Long Island, Nevada, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Ozark and Three Rivers) that decided they have no outstanding officials this year. This was 85% participation from the 55 associations eligible for the award and resulted in 127 certificates being processed and mailed to the various certification chairs.
- Awards Certificates that have been awarded to outstanding officials from the various USATF Associations now total 1,355 since the 2004 Olympic Games.

#### **Horace Crow Award**

The **Horace Crow Award** was established at the National Convention in 1991. The National Officials Executive Committee established the following criteria to receive the **Horace Crow Award** at the mid-year meeting in 2006 . . .

- Must be a certified USATF field event official for a ten (10) year period
- Must be a National or Master Level official in good standing with the association which they are certified, with the National Officials Committee and with USATF
- Recognition by peers for their betterment and devotion to track and field officiating in the area of field events

#### **Nomination and Selection Process**

All the nominees for the **Horace Crow Award** will be presented to the National Officials Executive Committee by the Awards Sub-Committee. The Awards Sub-Committee will be divided into five areas with the committee members serving as the area representative for the assorted associations of USATF that make up each zone. The Awards Committee Area Reps will canvass their respective areas through recommendations from other USATF certified officials, association official's certification chairs and from association presidents for candidates for the **Horace Crow Award**. Once approved by the area reps these names, along with letters of recommendation of his/her accomplishments are to be sent to the National Officials Committee Vice-Chair of Awards who will then present them to the National Officials Executive Committee. The **Horace Crow Award** winner will then be determined by a vote of the National Officials Committee Executive Committee at the annual mid-year summer meeting. The winner of the **Horace Crow Award** will be presented at the annual USATF convention.

- This marked the **23<sup>rd</sup>** year for the **Horace Crow Award**. This year the Awards Committee presented 37 names to the National Officials Committee. This list of outstanding officials was narrowed down to the 5 finalists for the 2011 **Horace Crow Award** . . . . .
  - **Douglas R. Allen - outstanding throws official from the Kentucky Association.**
  - **Shirley O. Connors – outstanding horizontal jumps official from the Pacific Association.**
  - **Mark T. Heckel – outstanding throws and electronic measurement official from the Three Rivers Association.**
  - **Richard R. Messenger – outstanding weights and measures official from the West Virginia Association.**
  - **Eric C. Smith – outstanding throws and electronic measurement official from the Florida Association.**

**Past Winners of Horace Crow Award**

1992 – William Reeves (Florida)	2000 – Finn Hansen (Utah)	2007 – George Kleeman (Pacific)
1993 – Edward Lankford (Southwestern)	2000 – Eugene Stemm (Southern California)	2008 – James Flanik (Lake Erie)
1994 – Gene Edmonds (Indiana)	2001 – Len Krsak (Ohio)	2009 – Win Eggers (Illinois)
1995 – Shirley Crowe (Gulf)	2002 – Billy Walters (Southwestern)	2010 – Mike Armstrong (Arkansas)
1996 – Carl Mosley (Southern California)	2003 – Doug Winemiller (Mid-Atlantic)	2011 -
1997 – Richard McQuarrie (Southern California)	2003 – Gloria Winemiller (Mid-Atlantic)	2012 -
1997 – Keith Mitchell (Indiana)	2004 – Stanley Underwood (Tennessee)	2013 -
1998 – Fred Arnold (Southern California)	2005 – Lane Dowell (Oregon)	2014 -
1999 – Emmitt Griggs (Gulf Association)	2006 – Chester Bradley (Southwestern)	2015 -

**Charles Ruter Award**

The **Charles Ruter Award** was established at the National Convention in 1998. The National Officials Executive Committee established the following criteria to receive the **Charles Ruter Award** at the mid-year meeting in 2006 . . .

- Must be a certified USATF running event official for a ten (10) year period
- Must be a National or Master Level official in good standing with the association which they are certified, with the National Officials Committee and with USATF
- Recognition by peers for their betterment and devotion to track and field officiating in the area of running events

#### Nomination and Selection Process

All the nominees for the **Charles Ruter Award** will be presented to the National Officials Executive Committee by the Awards Sub-Committee. The Awards Sub-Committee will be divided into five areas with the committee members serving as the area representative for the assorted associations of USATF that make up each zone. The Awards Committee area reps will canvass their respective areas through recommendations from other USATF certified officials, association official’s certification chairs and from association presidents for candidates for the **Charles Ruter Award**. Once approved by the Area Reps these names, along with letters of recommendation of his/her accomplishments are to be sent to the National Officials Committee Vice-Chair of Awards who will then present them to the National Officials Executive Committee. The **Charles Ruter Award** winner will then be determined by a vote of the National Officials Committee Executive Committee at the annual mid-year summer meeting. The winner of the **Charles Ruter Award** will be presented at the annual USATF Convention.

- This year will mark the 15<sup>th</sup> year for the **Charles Ruter Award**. This year the Awards Committee presented 38 names to the National Officials Committee. This list of outstanding officials was narrowed down to the 5 finalists for the 2011 **Charles Ruter Award** . . . .
  - **Larry L. Dixon – Outstanding Clerk from the Ohio Association.**
  - **John C.D. Drolla, Jr. – Outstanding Starter from the South Texas Association.**
  - **Tom M. Hott – Outstanding Starter and Umpire from the Ozark Association.**
  - **Linda M. Melzer – Outstanding Clerk from the Ohio Association.**
  - **James L. McKee – Outstanding Umpire from the Kentucky Association.**

#### **Past Winners of Charles Ruter Award**

1998– Charles Ruter (Kentucky)	2006 – Jim Carlisle (Southwestern)
1999 – John Hickman (Ohio)	2007 – Sue Polansky (Long Island)
2000 – Warren Ring (Metropolitan)	2008 – Kenny Morton (Kentucky)
2001 – Dick Conners (Pacific)	2009 - Sue Polansky (Long Island)
2002 – Ginger Mulanax (Ozark)	2010– Karen Krsak (Ohio)
2003 – Dan Reynolds (Arizona)	2011 – Gordon Bocoock (Kentucky)
2004 – Shelby Sharpe (Southwestern)	2011 – Fred Thomas (Ohio)

2005 – Fred Adler (Metropolitan)	2012 -
2005 – William Buttermore (Ohio)	2013 -

### John Davis Award

The John Davis Award was established at the national convention in 2001. The National Officials Executive Committee established the following criteria to receive the John Davis Award at the Mid-Year Meeting in 2006

- Must be a certified USATF track and yield official for a ten (10) year period
- Must be a National or Master Level official in good standing with the association which they are certified, with the National Officials Committee and with USATF
- Recognition by peers for excellence and achievement by an individual who espouses through humanitarian efforts by leadership, fellowship and developmental welfare of others through USATF and its various programs.

### Nomination and Selection Process

All the nominees for the John Davis Award will be presented to the National Officials Executive Committee by the Awards Sub-Committee. The Awards Sub-Committee will be divided into five areas with the committee members serving as the area representative for the assorted associations of USATF that make up each zone. The Awards Committee area reps will canvass their respective areas through recommendations from other USATF certified officials, association official's certification chairs and from association presidents for candidates for the John Davis Award. Once approved by the area reps these names, along with letters of recommendation of his/her accomplishments are to be sent to the National Officials Committee Vice-Chair of Awards who will then present them to the National Officials Executive Committee. The John Davis Award winner will then be determined by a vote of the National Officials Committee Executive Committee at the annual mid-year summer meeting. The winner of the John Davis Award will be presented at the annual USATF Convention.

- This year will mark the 10<sup>th</sup> year for the John Davis Award. This year the Awards Committee presented 27 names to the National Officials Committee. This list of outstanding officials was narrowed down to the 5 finalists for the 2011 John Davis Award.
  - Donald P. Berry – outstanding official and humanitarian from the Maine Association.
  - Edward G. Edmonds – outstanding official and humanitarian from the Indiana Association.
  - Lawrie G. Robertson – outstanding official and humanitarian from the Pacific Northwest Association.
  - Charles L. Sheppard – outstanding official and humanitarian from the Pacific Association.
  - Ruth D. White – outstanding official and humanitarian from the Nebraska Association.

### **Past Winners of John Davis Award**

2001 – Win Eggers (Illinois)	2008 – Ron Boemker (New England)
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2002 – Frank Orsak (Gulf)	2009 – Finn Hansen (Utah)
2003 – Murray Sanford (Georgia)	2010 – Richard Moss (Georgia)
2004 – Yvonne Grimes (Connecticut)	2012 -
2005 – Richard Langenback (Pacific Northwest)	2013 -
2006 – Denise Hutchins (Oklahoma)	2014 -
2007 – Ron Althoff (Ohio)	2015-
2008 – Laurie Boemker (New England)	2016 -

### **James Grey Award**

#### **Criteria for Nominations**

The **James Grey Award** was established at the Mid-Year National Officials Executive Committee Meeting in 2006 when the Maine Association came forward and wanted to sponsor a National Officials Award. After a year of discussing the idea the National Officials Executive Committee established the following criteria to receive the **James Grey Award** at the Mid-Year Meeting in 2007 . . .

- Must be a certified USATF track and field official for a ten (10) year period
- Must be a National or Master Level official in good standing with the Association which they are certified, with the National Officials Committee and with USATF
- Recognition by peers for excellence and achievement by an individual who by providing the leadership, setting the example and going out of his/her way to help in the development of others in the USATF Officials organization

#### Nomination and Selection Process

All the nominees for the **James Grey Award** will be presented to the National Officials Executive Committee by the Awards Sub-Committee. The Awards Sub-Committee will be divided into five areas with the committee members serving as the area representative for the assorted associations of USATF that make up each zone. The Awards Committee area reps will canvass their respective areas through recommendations from other USATF certified officials, association official's certification chairs and from association presidents for candidates for the **James Grey Award**. Once approved by the area reps these names, along with letters of recommendation of his/her accomplishments are to be sent to the National Officials Committee Vice-Chair of Awards who will then present them to the National Officials Executive Committee. The **James Grey Award** winner will then be determined by a vote of the National Officials Committee Executive Committee at the annual mid-year summer meeting. The winner of the **James Grey Award** will be presented at the annual USATF Convention.

- This year will mark the 5<sup>th</sup> year for the **James Grey Award**. This year the Awards Committee presented 23 names to the National Officials Committee. This list of outstanding officials was narrowed down to the 5 finalists for the 2010 **James Grey Award**.

- **Fred A. Adler – outstanding official and former Certification Chair from the Metropolitan Association.**
- **Gordon D. Boccock – outstanding official and Certification Chair from the Kentucky Association.**
- **William R. Hickman – outstanding official and Certification Chair from the Pacific Northwest Association.**
- **Len A. Krsak – outstanding official and Certification Chair from the Ohio Association.**
- **Keith C. Mitchell – outstanding official and Certification Chair from the Indiana Association.**

### **Past Winners of James Grey Award**

2007– Charles Ruter (Kentucky)	2010 – James Carlisle (Southwestern)
2008 – William Price (Patomac Valley)	2011 -
2009 – Val Foss (Maine)	2012 -

### **Lori Maynard Award**

The **Lori Maynard Award** was established at the Mid-Year National Officials Executive Committee Meeting in 2010 when the USATF Race Walk Committee came forward and wanted to sponsor a National Race Walk Officials Award. After a time of discussing the idea the National Officials Executive Committee established the following criteria to receive the **Lori Maynard Award** at the mid-year meeting in 2010 . . .

- Must be a certified USATF track and yield official for a ten (10) year
- Must be a National or Master Level official in good standing with the association which they are certified, with the National Officials Committee and with USATF
- Recognition by peers for excellence and achievement by an race walk official who has given of themselves for years across the country by serving as a race walk judge, as a race walk official, as a race walk meet organizer or administrator and going out of their way to help in the development of race walking officials in the USATF organization.

### Nomination and Selection Process

All the nominees for the **Lori Maynard Award** will be presented to the National Officials Executive Committee by the Race Walk Committee. The **Lori Maynard Award** winner will then be determined by a vote of the National Officials Committee Executive Committee at the annual mid-year meeting. The five finalists and the winner of the **Lori Maynard Award** will be presented at the annual USATF convention.

- This year at the convention we will mark the **2nd** year for the **Lori Maynard Award**. This year the National Officials Committee were presented with these five nominations.
  - **Elliott Denman – an outstanding race walk official from the New Jersey Association.**

- **Jim Hanley – an outstanding race walk official from the Southern California Association.**
- **Virginia Mulanax – an outstanding race walk official from the Ozark Association.**
- **Lawrie Robertson – an outstanding race walk official from the Pacific Northwest Association.**
- **Gary Westerfield – an outstanding race walk official from the Long Island Association.**

**Past Winners of Lori Maynard Award**

2010 – Bruce MacDonald (Metropolitan)	2013 -
2011 -	2014 -
2012 -	2015 -

**Andy Bakjian Award**

**Criteria for Nominations**

Criteria for having the name of an official placed in nomination for the **Andy Bakjian Outstanding Official Award** . . . . .

- Must be a certified USATF official for a twelve (12) year period
- Must be a Master Level Official in good standing with the association which they are certified, in good standing with the National Officials Committee and in good standing with USATF
- Must have officiated at national championship meets and/or international championship meets
- Recognition by peers for excellence and achievement in track and field officiating
- Recognition by peers for their betterment and devotion to track and field officiating
- The **Andy Bakjian Outstanding Official Award** can not be a posthumous award

**Nomination and Selection Process**

The procedure to nominate an individual for the **Andy Bakjian Outstanding Official Award** is as follows . . .

- Nomination forms will be e-mailed to each member of the National Officials Committee and to the Officials Certification Chair of each association on August 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. They must be returned to the National Officials Committee Vice-Chair of Awards by August 30<sup>th</sup>. The nomination forms must include the name of the individual being nominated along with verified statements of his/her accomplishments.
- All nominees must endorse the statement of accomplishments to verify the validity of the contents presented by the individual doing the original nomination.
- If there are more than ten nominees, their credentials and statements of accomplishments will be sent to the National Officials Awards Sub-Committee. By secret ballot, the Awards Sub-Committee will select the ten names to be placed on the final ballot.

The procedure for final selection for the individual that will receive the **Andy Bakjian Outstanding Official Award** is as follows. . .

- The final ballot will be e-mailed to the following on October 1<sup>st</sup> and the ballot must be returned by October 31<sup>st</sup>.
  - a) National Officials Committee Executive Committee
  - b) Association Officials Certification Chairs
  - c) At-Large Members
  - d) Athlete’s Representatives
  - e) Chairmen Emeritus
  - f) National Liaison Officers
  - g) National Officials Committee Representatives
  - h)

(The individuals that make up the above group will vote in the following manner. The ranking will be a one for your first choice, a two for your second choice and so forth and your tenth choice will receive a ten and be your final choice. All ten places must be voted on to be an official ballot. The voting will be tallied like a cross country meet in that when you place a number 1 beside a person’s name he/she will receive 1 point while a 10 will give the individual 10 points. The votes will be tallied by the National Officials Committee Vice-Chair of Awards and the individual receiving the fewest number of points will be the winner of the **Andy Bakjian Outstanding Official Award** and presented at the Annual USATF Convention.

#### **Past Winners of Andy Bakjian Award**

1982 – Andy Bakjian (Southern California)	1994 – George Kleeman (Pacific)	2006 – Keith Mitchell (Indiana)
1983 – Charles Ruter (Kentucky)	1995 – Leo Costanzo (Pacific)	2007 – Dan Reynolds (Arizona)
1984 – Ken Cauoette (New England)	1996 – Rhea Warren (Florida)	2008 – Robert Podkaminer (Pacific)
1985 – Jack Milne (Mid Atlantic)	1997 – John Davis (Illinois)	2009 – Virginia Mulanax (Ozark)
1986 – Hugh Norman (Iowa)	1998 – Chester Bradley (Southwestern)	2010 – Shirley Crowe (Gulf)
1987 – Hal Canfield (Tennessee)	1999 – Gene Edmonds (Indiana)	2011 -
1988 – Clarence Crawford (Three Rivers)	2000 – Emmitt Griggs (Gulf)	2012 -
1989 – Jerome Perry (North Carolina)	2001 – Susan Polansky (Long Island)	2013 -
1990 – Ron Althoff (Ohio)	2002 – Finn Hansen (Utah)	2014 -
1991 – Lawrie Robertson (Pacific Northwest)	2003 – Richard Connors (Pacific)	2015 -
1992 – Bill Hartz – (Kentucky)	2004 – James Grey (Ohio)	2016 -
1993 – Dee Jensen (Dakotas)	2005 – Murray Sanford (Georgia)	2017 -



- This year at the convention we will mark the 30<sup>th</sup> year for the **Andy Bakjian Award**. For the past year 21 nominations were received by the Awards Committee and presented to the National Officials Executive Committee and the following are the 10 finalists for the **2011 Andy Bakjian Award**

1. James Carlisle (Southwestern)	6. Richard P. Moss (Georgia)
2. John C.D. Drolla, Jr. (South Texas)	7. Barbara J. Palma (Adirondack)
3. Ed J. Gorman (Ohio)	8. Kelly Rankin (Oregon)
4. Perry L. Jenkins (Niagara)	9. Warren J. Ring (Metropolitan)
5. William D. Mongovan (Connecticut)	10. Gary Westerfield (Long Island)

In 2005 there were 82 people eligible to vote to select the **Andy Bakjian Outstanding Official Award**. The following 25 did not vote . . . Donald Austin, John Bahakel, Darrell Baldwin, Gilbert Bradfield, Kenneth Chomo, Harold Cribbs, Clyde Crimmel, John Drolla, Merrill Fischbein, Raymond Fitzhugh, David Hampton, Rex Harvey, Mark Heckel, Thomas Hott, Denise Hutchins, Perry Jenkins, Val Judd, Karen Krsak, Thomas Light, Richard Minyard, Joann Mitchell, Martin Olivares, Barbara Palma, Patrick Pretty and Andrew Wiley. In 2005 the percentage of the eligible voters actually casting a vote was 70%.

In 2006 there were 83 people eligible to vote to select the **Andy Bakjian Outstanding Official Award**. The following 12 did not vote . . . Donald Austin, Gilbert Bradfield, Harold Cribbs, John Drolla, Merrill Fischbein, Val Judd, Thomas Light, Richard Minyard, Barbara Palma, Dale Settje, Sam Walker and Andrew Wiley. In 2006 the percentage of the eligible voters actually casting a vote was 87%.

In 2007 there were 125 people eligible to vote to select the **Andy Bakjian Outstanding Official Award**. The following 41 did not vote . . . . . Larry Antoniazzi, John Behakel, Derrek Benkompas, Albert Border, William Boyd, Gilbert Bradfield, Randy Brown, Richard Cabral, Clyde Crimmel, Jon Drummond, James Duncan, Merrill Fischbein, Sam Gorman, Frank Greenburg, Kevin Harrison, Denise Hutchins, Thomas Johnson, Harold Leonard, Tom Light, Duncan MacGregor, Al Minturn, Richard Minyard, Ralph Neighbors, Joey Newsome, Cedric Newman, Cassandra Norton, Jerome Perry, Raymond Pierre, Alma Price, Curt Ransford, Ross Ruchti, Adam Sanford, Stanley Scott, Dale Settje, Sam Smith, Jimmy Stuart, Edward Stuffle, Sam Walker, Tony Wayne, Andrew Wiley and Frank Wolfsheimer. In 2007 the percentage of the eligible voters actually casting a vote was 67%.

In 2008 there were 132 people eligible to vote to select the **Andy Bakjian Outstanding Official Award**. The following 41 did not vote. . . . Darrell Baldwin, Laurie Boemker, Al Booker, Gilbert Bradfield, Ken Cauoette, Jon Drummond, James Duncan, Merrill Fischbein, Ray Fitzhugh, Mary Lou Goomis, Frank Greensburg, Gary Humekawa, Robert Hooper, Nancy Kuyoth, Robert Kuyoth, Patrick Lavelle, Harold Leonard, Tom Light, Bruce Long, Lillian Mahoney, Al Minturn, Richard Maynard, Paul Morency, Gary Morgan, Cassandra Norton, Jerome Perry, Antonio Pettigrew, Raymond Pierre, Alma Price, Ross Ruchiti, Martha Sharpe, Shelby Sharpe, Sam Smith, Jimmy Stuart, Morris Vogel, Gary Westerfield, Monique White, Ruth White, Andrew Wiley and Earl Williams. In 2008 the percentage of the eligible voters actually casting a vote was 69%.

For the Olympiad Period 422 were eligible to vote and of this total 119 failed to vote. This leaves a total of 303 voting for the **Andy Bakjian Outstanding Official Award** for the four year period for a percentage of 72%.

In 2009 there were 136 people eligible to vote to select the **Andy Bakjian Outstanding Official Award**. The following 30 did not vote . . . Radir Annor, Don Austin, Virginia Bell, Walter Bell, Brian Brase, Merrill Fischbein, Robert Fontaine, David Garcia, Frank Greenburg, Rex Harvey, Denise Hutchins, Sven Jorden, Val Judd, Mark Lloyd, William Long, Lillian Mahoney, John McNichols, Richard Milan, Richard Minyard, Perry Jenkins, Jerome Perry, Adam Smith, Gordon Scruton, Sam Smith, Richard Sutton, Larry Swearingen, Jerry Westfall, Ruth White, Frank Wolfsheimer and Henry Woods. In 2009 the percentage of eligible voters actually casting a vote was 77.9%.

In 2010 there were 114 people eligible to vote to select the **Andy Bakjian Outstanding Official Award**. The following 31 voting delegates did not return a ballot after several reminders to try and get them to do so . . . Carrie Behrens, Gilbert Bradfield, Brian Brase, Earlett Buckley, Al Davis, Jerry Donley, Jon Drummond, Garfield Ellenwood, Glen Fortune, Joe Gentry, Mary Gooris, Denise Hutchins, Thomas Johnson, Sven Jordan, Val Judd, Mark Krug, Kristine Lung, Richard Minyard, Joanne Mitchell, Paul Morency, Gary Morgan, Ginger Mulanax, John Murray, Adam Sanford, Gordon Scruton, Sam Smith, Larry Swearingen, Chris Turner, Ruth White, Andrew Wiley and Eric Zemper. In 2010 the percentage of eligible voters actually casting a vote was 77.2%

In 2011 there were 140 people eligible to vote to select the **Andy Bakjian Outstanding Official Award**. The following 27 voting delegates did not return a ballot after several reminders to try and get them to do so . . . Linda Barnes (Snake River), Carrie Behrens (Oklahoma), Virginia Bell (Alabama), David Bowers (Indiana), Gilbert Bradfield (Wyoming), Earlett Buckley (Southern), Orlando Daniel (Central California), Jerry Donley (Colorado), Garfield Ellenwood (Athlete), Brant Flax (Gulf), Glen Fortune (Oregon), Paul Gooris (New Mexico), Warren House (Potomac Valley), Val Judd (Utah), Marty Kahler (Maine), Mark Lloyd (Nebraska), Chris McCann (Virginia), Jim McGlorin (New England), Richard Messenger (West Virginia), Ginger Mulanax (Ozark), Bill Ott (Long Island), Harry Simones (Oregon), Larry Swearingen (Border), Chris Turner (Colorado), Ruth White (Nebraska) and James Williams (Florida). In 2011 the percentage of eligible voters actually casting a vote was 80.7%.

## **Hall of Fame Award**

### **Criteria for Nominations**

Before nominating an official, check the list of current nominees to see if the person already has been nominated. It is not necessary to fill out a new nomination form for persons who already are nominated. They remain on the active nominating list for a period of five years. This Hall of Fame is intended to honor those certified Officials who have contributed significant efforts locally, nationally and, perhaps internationally. Nominees may be actively working, emeritus or deceased.

### **Nomination and Selection Process**

Officials being placed in nomination shall have:

- Officiated for at least twenty (20) years

- Served as an outstanding official for at least several levels of competition – youth, high school, collegiate, open, masters, national and/or internationally
- Officiating skills of the highest level and shall be recognized and respected by his/her peers. Received local association officials' awards and/or national awards such as the Andy Bakjian, Horace Crow, Charles Ruter, John Davis or Jim Grey awards, and/or awards of recognition by the national organization or international awards.
- Been a competition official displaying leadership ability by having served as a head official, coordinator or administrator at national meets

Nomination shall be accepted from anyone in the track and field community. They will be solicited from the general certified USATF Officials Committee. Nominations can come from other sources such as members of the National Sports Committees or Coaches Committee. There will also be solicitations of those who have been inducted into the Officials Hall of Fame.

<b>USATF National Officials Committee – Hall of Fame Inductees 2007 at Honolulu, Hawaii</b>	
Andy Bakjian – Southern California Association	Emmitt Griggs – Gulf Association
Chester Bradley – Southwestern Association	Finn Hansen – Utah Association
Ken Caouette – New England Association	Dee Jensen – Dakotas Association
Leo Costanzo – Pacific Association	Barbara Palma – Adirondack Association
Horace Crow – Pacific Association	Pat Rico – Metropolitan Association
John Davis – Illinois Association	Charles Ruter – Kentucky Association

<b>USATF National Officials Committee – Hall of Fame Inductees 2008 at Reno, Nevada</b>	
Ron Althoff – Ohio Association	Lori Maynard – Pacific Association
Clarence Crawford – Three Rivers Association	Heliodoro Rico – Metropolitan Association
Shirley Crowe – Gulf Association	Murray Sanford – Georgia Association
James Grey – Ohio Association	Tom Turk – Missouri Valley Association
George Kleeman – Pacific Association	

<b>USATF National Officials Committee – Hall of Fame Inductees 2009 at Indianapolis, Indiana</b>	
Richard L. Connors – Pacific Association	Stanley L. Underwood – Tennessee Association
Keith C. Mitchell – Indiana Association	W.A. Wise – West Texas Association
Warren J. Ring – Metropolitan Association	

<b>USATF National Officials Committee – Hall of Fame Inductees 2010 at Virginia Beach, Virginia</b>	
Herb Diboll Allen – Gulf Association	Al Minturn – Southern California
Rex J. Harvey – Iowa Association	Robert Podkaminer - Pacific

<b>USATF National Officials Committee – Hall of Fame Inductees 2011 at St. Louis, Missouri</b>	
John C.D. Drolla, Jr. – South Texas	Lawrie G. Robertson – Pacific Northwest
Linda M. Melzer - Ohio	Billy R. Walters - Southwestern
Richard P. Moss – Georgia	

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**COMMITTEE REPORT**

**VICE CHAIR CERTIFICATION REPORT**

Jimmy Stuart

First, I would like to extend a sincere Thank You to Jim Flanik for his help this year in the transition and for everything he did to help get me up to speed and settled in the new position.

In many respects 2011 was a typical year for certifications. As expected, we added about 1000 new officials since the end of last year. Currently there are 7918 officials with 4858 at the Association Level, 1224 at the National Level, 1792 Master level officials and 44 Emeritus officials. We also saw a number of new Association certification chairs and I want to express my gratitude to all of the certification chairs for their hard work and their patience going through the transition process this year.

There has also been a lot of behind the scenes work during 2011 to lay the groundwork for the new Olympiad and to fulfill our goal of revamping certification for the betterment of all track & field officiating in the United States. The finishing touches are being put on many items which will be covered in full during the annual meeting, but the following are some important highlights:

- Revamping of Certification Requirements
- Launch of a new mobile-compatible certification website in January 2012 with additional features coming later in the year including the ability for an official to log in to their own profile
- Purchase of a new ID card printer enabling us to print edge-to-edge cards in greater detail with higher resolution pictures

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**COMMITTEE REPORT**

**VICE CHAIR RULES  
REPORT**

George Kleeman

The rule changes approved by the NFHS and the rule interpretation and changes by the NCAA for 2011 were posted on the Officials Website as soon as they were available this summer. This was a rules year for IAAF and we have 82 changes proposed for consideration. The USATF Rules Proposal package was posted in mid October when it became official. Most are recommended for discussion at the convention as can be seen by the tally sheet from the October teleconference.

The Rules subcommittee issued the updated Rules Reviews for this Olympiad with reduced number of questions for some reviews in January. These will be updated for the current changes and issued by September for 2012-2015 recertification clinic to be held next fall and winter.

The subcommittee annual meeting will be on Thursday morning, December 1 at 8 am before the start of the convention. See the online convention meeting schedule for the room assignment. All interested parties are welcome. We will be discussing the plan for update the 2012 Rules Review Package. We will also discuss any significant proposed USATF rule changes which impact the competition official which are the result of the IAAF rule changes adopted this August. Only a brief summary of the most important rule change proposals will be presented in the first Officials Committee meeting on Friday. Thus if you want more insight into the proposals you should attend the subcommittee meeting.

### **Assignments for New Olympiad Reviews**

#### **Members**

<b>Disciplines</b>	<b>Last Name</b>	<b>First Name</b>	<b>Association</b>
Track & Field	Boyd	William	Virginia
Track & Field	Smyth	Jim	North Carolina
Long Distance Running/Cross Country	Price	William	Potomac Valley
LDR/XC	Mc Latchie	Carol	Oregon
Race Walking	De Weese	Carroll	Michigan
Race Walking	Daniels	Ron	Connecticut
Combined, Implement Inspector, Technical Manager, other	Smith	Eric	Florida
Combined, Implement Inspector, Technical Manager, other	Hott	Sherry	Ozark



**National Officials Committee  
Rules Subcommittee Agenda**  
Thursday, December 1, 2011  
St. Louis, Mo.  
8:00-10:00 am

Introduction of Members

Approval of 2010 Virginia Beach Minutes

Updates for 2012 Rule Changes for NCAA, NFHS, IAAF

Discussion of Rule Change Proposals for USATF 2012

Plan for Rule Review Updates for next Olympiad

Goals for 2012

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**National Officials Committee  
Rules Subcommittee Meeting**  
Thursday, December 2, 2010  
8-10 am, Virginia Beach

Attendees:

George Kleeman, Chair	Bill Boyd, Virginia Member	Bill Price, Potomac Valley, Member
Eric Smith, Florida	Carroll De Weese, Michigan, Member	Carol Mc Latchie, Oregon
Sherry Hott, Ozark	Mike Pekar, Arizona	Ron Daniel, Connecticut
Mark Heckel, Three Rivers	Eugene Stemm, So. California	Eric Zemper, Michigan
Chuck Von Holtz, Niagara	John Head, Southwestern	Roger Burbage North Carolina
Rex Harvey, Iowa	Lloyd Mc Millian, Southern	DeLewis Johnson, So. California
Mary Onken, Metropolitan	Paul Mahoney, Maine	Larry Callahan, Florida
Dennis Kunces, Maine	Donna Zirgibel, Minnesota	Elinor Tootle, Ohio
Man Baily, New Jersey	Chris Mc Beath, Virginia	Rod Larson, Florida
Jay Preston, Wisconsin	Kris Lung, Central California	Etic Zemper, Michigan
Joe Scecina, So. Texas	Dave Snyder, So. California	Terry Thurber, Southwestern
Mike Armstrong, Arkansas	Bob Springer, Pacific Northwest	Ronald Nichols, Southwestern
Dick Connors, Pacific	Gloria Lewis, Southern	Rhiney Williams, New Mexico
Shirley Connors, Pacific		

The meeting was called to order by the chair about 8:05 am. The attached agenda was discussed and approved. However the item concerning a secretary for the committee was not discussed. The meeting notes from 2009 at Indianapolis were approved as presented (see attached).

The updates of changes or interpretations for High School, NCAA and IAAF were discussed briefly and the group was referred to the Officials website where they have been posted since early fall. Items discussed were limited to those that impacted the competition official. The following proposals for USATF were then discussed. Items 14,24,37,39,40,46,50,52,53,58,59,62,65-74,78, and 98. The committee and attendees were reminded that 2011 was an IAAF change year and any submittal should be forwarded to George Kleeman or John Blackburn by the end of January.

The remainder of the meeting was spent discussing the goals for the remainder of the Olympiad which focused on updating the latest version this Olympiad's reviews. The remaining goal was to updating them for rule changes in 2011 and 2012 and reduce the questions to about 25 per test if that had not already be done this year. The questions concerning IAAF and/or NFHS competitions are now separated into their own exams. The due date was set for August, 2012 so that they would be ready for the 2013 clinic season and recertification.

The meeting was adjourned about 9:50 pm.

Submitted by George Kleeman, Chair.  
10/10/11

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**COMMITTEE REPORT**

**VICE CHAIR TRAINING  
REPORT**

Mark Heckel

2011 Was a transitional year for the Training Sub-committee. At the 2010 Annual Meeting in Virginia Beach, Mark Heckel (Three Rivers) was elected to complete the final two years of Rex Harvey's term. Rob Buzaitis (Michigan) had been serving at the interim vice-chair.

At the top level, we undertook some new initiatives. One of the first was to develop a "National Championship Event Protocol" for each field event and clerking. The first protocol that was developed was for the horizontal jumps. It was prototyped at the USATF Outdoor championships in Eugene, and was modified based on the comments of the crew and crew chief. The coordination of the development of these protocols will be handled by the Continuing Education group (Mike Armstrong, Arkansas, chair) with important input from the Advancement group (Rich Shoreinstein, Colorado, chair). In addition, first drafts of protocols for the pole vault and javelin have been developed and are now being reviewed and expanded.

To better coordinate and communicate among the members of the committee, and to better track the efforts of the various sub-groups, we initiated an internal website. The website contains a list of each committee, what projects they are working on, how to contact each member, a list of resources as they are created, and a calendar for charting events.

To better prepare materials for presentation and for posting, we developed a 1st draft of a style guide for those developing materials to follow. The intent is to make our documents uniform in look and feel, so that they are easily read, understood and used. In addition, we developed a uniform PowerPoint template for all presenters to use so that, while not interfering with their own style, we are sure that certain information is passed to participants, and that we have a clean, uniform appearance in all of our presentation.

To help presenters better prepare for making training or other presentations, either at the national or association level, we developed a "Presenters Handbook". The handbook provides perspective presenters and clinicians with some guidelines for materials preparation, as well as tips for making their presentation more effective. Based on a variety of presentation standards and personal experiences, the handbook is intended to both encourage more knowledgeable persons to present their content, as well as assist presenters in making their offerings even more effective.

Plans to produce a video or series of videos for preparation of field event venues have not progressed. Contact was made in January with a videographer in Colorado Springs and a script was prepared for the pole vault. However, considerations about the cost and the viewership of a video prompted a delay in moving to production. This may be more appropriate for a webinar, and if so, the original script may be easily modified to suit that approach. The type of media to be used may be a topic for discussion at the Annual Meeting.

While it has always been the intent to provide training opportunities for officials in attendance at the national championship meets, the very tight schedules at both the indoor and outdoor championships precluded this from occurring. We tried to work with the meet hosts and the meet schedules, but there were major constraints with both facilities and time to make this happen. We felt that it was better to not conduct any training than to have a poorly attended, rushed or inadequately staffed training session.

In August, the Clinics Committee began review of possible topics for clinics at the USATF Annual Meeting. After reviewing the previous list of presented and suggested topics, the committee ranked those deemed most worthy and necessary of inclusion at the Annual Meeting. With the approval of all Clinic Committee members, the Vice Chair of Training, and the National Officials Committee Chairman, four clinics were chosen: "Putting It All Together: National Championship Event Protocols", "The Throws: Prepare For Safety", "Creating the Ideal Start Team", and "the Importance of Proper Setup in the Vertical Jumping Events".

We are close to finalizing the training modules for the initial training for officials. Janice Berkebile (Florida) our instructional designer has been working to complete the modules. We anticipate that we will be able to introduce these for the new certification year beginning after the Olympic Games next year. These online modules, combined with other non-traditional and web-based methods of content delivery, will hopefully allow for greater reach of our training materials, greater acceptance by younger official prospects, and greater flexibility in keeping the materials up to date and current.

Looking ahead to 2012:

Our goals for the next year include -

- revitalizing the officials exchange program with a new venue and opportunity for officials
- continuing the development of the National Championship Event Protocol program
- creating stronger ties with the National Federation and the NCAA in developing and sharing training materials and processes for officials at all levels of competition
- continuing to offer opportunities for officials to gain broader and deeper expertise and understanding of the best officiating techniques
- expand the number of offerings via on-line channels for officials in all parts of the country

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**COMMITTEE REPORT**

**APPEALS SELECTION SUBCOMMITTEE  
REPORT**

Delores Murray

For the current year a total of six (6) letters were received for review by the appeals committee.

Five (5) letters were for non selection to the USATF National Championships and one (1) letter for how to improve one's chances for selection.

The following documents were reviewed in drafting the replies for those not selected for the National Championships.

- 2009, 2010, and 2011 Applications
- 2010 evaluations
- Selection list
- Appeal Committee Members input

The committee forwarded letters to each official with recommendation for "For no Further Action Recommended."

Members of the 2011 Appeals Committee

Delores G. Murray, Chairperson

Ray Fitzhough, California

Stanly Scott, Texas

Alma Jan Price, Maryland

Frank Wolfshiemer, Florida

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**COMMITTEE REPORT**

**COMUNICATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE  
REPORT**

Jimmy Stuart

As of November 2011 we have just over 3000 people receiving the newsletter. This is an increase of about 500 during the past year. While that's nice, it's not enough. We have almost 8000 certified officials, meaning that 5000 of them are missing a great chance to easily keep up with officiating news. In order to comply with anti-spam laws, the newsletter has to remain opt-in so please help spread the word amongst your local officials. We will be working with the certification chairs and the associations to continue to improve our communications numbers throughout 2012 and especially as we enter recertification next fall. Beginning with this new Olympiad, you will also be able to sign up for the newsletter when you certify.

In addition to the newsletter, our Facebook group has added another 150 officials, and has seen more lively discussion, stories, questions, and photos. If you're on Facebook be sure to look for the "USATF Certified Officials" group.

In January 2012 we are going to be switch to a new newsletter service. This new service will allow us to better integrate the newsletter with our website and Facebook and also provide some new integration tools that will be used with the new certification website. We will also be able to give the newsletter a facelift and make it more visually appealing.



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**COMMITTEE REPORT**

**EQUIPMENT & FACILITIES SUBCOMITTEE  
REPORT**

Bob Springer

During the year two newsletters, one in February and one in October were sent out to Throwing Officials, Technical Managers and Implement Inspectors. All officials that are certified as Implement Inspectors at any level automatically receive the newsletter. Also, all Certification Chairs receive a copy. Anyone else wishing to receive the newsletter must request a copy. The total distribution of the February newsletter was 883 copies. The September newsletter was delivered to 695 subscribers via email and another 145 via USPS. The former is down slightly from last year due primarily to culling the list of bad addresses while the latter is up. The net total is very close to last year.

The only real problems reported this year were related to maintenance of implements. Implements were being disqualified at several meets simply because the owners had not maintained them properly. There also appeared to be more brand new implements that did not meet specifications. I can only speculate on the reason for this.

There are several rules changes from IAAF this year. The major ones redefine the role of the Technical Manager and eliminate the minimum length for hammers. The first will require considerable discussion, while the second is going to be accepted by the implement inspectors since they seldom have any hammers with that problem. All rules changes will be discussed at our annual meeting on Thursday, December 1 in St. Louis from 3:00PM to 4:50 PM.

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**COMMITTEE REPORT**

**EVALUATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE  
REPORT**

Murray Sanford

Championships evaluated in 2011 were:

Senior Indoor

Combined Indoor

World/Youth Athletics Outdoor

Senior/Junior Outdoor

Junior Olympics Outdoor

Masters Outdoor

My Thanks to the 2011 Evaluators...only (13) evaluations not returned out of (188)...(36) not Returned in 2010.

The greatest difficulty with the 2011 evaluations...Not receiving officials contact information and assignments in a timely manner prior to sending out evaluation documents.

The evaluations received indicate our officials are doing outstanding work on the field of play.

Officials new to national level competition received good evaluations.

Head Judges are encouraged to share your evaluation with crew members.

Officials that want access to your evaluation...first contact your event head judge.

Should you not receive a response from your head judge... then contact Evaluation Chair, Murray Sanford. I will send you a "Request for Officials Evaluation" form to complete.

Evaluation information will be provided for (2008-2011 USATF competitions only).

#### Points of Emphases for completing evaluations...

- Read your cover letter of instructions and all evaluation documents before completing...
- Use the "on-line" if at all possible...many hand written evaluations are difficult to read...
- Please do not use red ink or pencil...difficult to make copies...
- Use extra copies of the evaluation document and comment sheets if needed for large crews...Place as many officials on one evaluation document as you can!!!
- Make sure you make at least one comment about each official evaluated...
- An explanation is required on the comment sheet for any rating of (1) or (2)...
- Field event head judges...Officials Record of Event Assignment/Assignments must be completed...use extra forms where needed.
- Use only the evaluation documents provided...do not modify or use your own...
- Evaluate combined events coordinators...
- Make sure your comments match your number evaluations...
- Please return the evaluation in a timely manner...
- Remember to make your comments on meet management, equipment, competition schedule, food, housing and any other items you believe can make our job easier and more efficient...

Evaluations make us better!!!

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**COMMITTEE REPORT**

**LAW & LEGISLATION SUBCOMMITTEE  
REPORT**

John Bahakel

2011 is a Law & Legislation year. This year's proposals should be posted on the USATF website for review. Some proposals that may be of particular interest are:

Proposal to allow notices relative to selection of Officials for National Championships that were previously required to be mailed may be sent electronically;

Proposal to require that Referees and Jury of Appeal members selected for National Championship events be USATF members in good standing and preferably certified Officials at the National or Master level;

Proposal to increase the minimum athlete representation to twenty-five percent (25%);

Proposal to add a Vice-President position to the USATF structure;

Proposal to allow a member of the USATF Board to serve in some capacity (not as an officer) on inside or outside groups;

Proposal that elections be done on the same day following a given format for all constituencies with vote casting in a centralized location;

There are other proposals relative to Associations, the sanction process, grievances and grievance process, selection of national team coaching staff and approval of records for road and track events.

This is a very generalized overview of what has been presented. You can expect some items to be adjusted by the end of the convention, some items tabled and some items to be withdrawn.

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**COMMITTEE REPORT**

**MASTER REFEREE SUBCOMMITTEE  
REPORT**

Jim Skelly  
Pat Lavelle

Members of the Subcommittee are: Jim Skelly Chair, Pat Lavelle Co-Chair, Fred Adler, Ron Althoff  
Ken Gibson, Dee Jensen, Rex Harvey, and Richard Moss.

Stanley Underwood has resigned from the Subcommittee for health reasons.

Two Officials have been designated National Master Referees since the last report.

The Subcommittee is continuing to collect descriptions and analyses of situations

That required referee review and decisions for use in evaluating future candidates.

### 2011 National Master Referee's

ITO's/ATO's – Grandfathered because of recent IAAF testing

John Blackburn	008998 Track/Field—Combined—LDR	South Carolina
Carol Coram	002030 Track/Field—Combined—LDR	Pacific Northwest
Dee Jensen	004456 Track/Field—Combined	Dakotas
George Kleeman	002461 Track/Field—Combined—LDR	Pacific
Robert Podkaminer	001461 Track/Field	Pacific
Eric Zemper	003383 Track/Field—Combined— LDR-Race Walk	Michigan
Tim Baker	001019 Track/Field—Combined—LDR	Potomac Valley
Laurie Boemker	004439 Track/Field—LDR	New England
William Boyd	007045 Track/Field—Combined	Virginia
William Buttermore	012570 Track/Field—Combined	Ohio
Jim Carlisle	006979 Track/Field	Southwestern
Jerry Colman	009526 Track/Field	Pacific
Richard Connors	001808 Track/Field—Combined—LDR	Pacific
Carroll DeWeese	016116 Track/Field--Combined—LDR	Michigan
John Drolla	004051 Track/Field	South Texas
Rex Harvey	004309 Field—Combined	Iowa
Mark Heckel	007643 Field	Three Rivers
Mark Kostek	007797 Track/Field	Nebraska
Mike Maryott	004916 Field/Combined	Nebraska
Kathleen McLymond	018362 Field	Niagra
Richard Moss	010135 Field/Combined	Georgia
Delores Murray	017134 Track/Field	Southwestern
William Pollinger	016818 Race Walk	New Jersey
Patrick Pretty	006677 Track/Field-Combined-LDR	Wisconsin
Bill Quinlisk	018316 LDR	Niagara
Richard Torrellas	003865 Track/Field—Race Walk	Connecticut



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**COMMITTEE REPORT**

**NOMINATING SUBCOMMITTEE  
REPORT**

Val Foss

For the **2011** USATF National Convention to be held from November 30 - December 4, 2011<sup>th</sup>, at St. Louis, Missouri, at the present time there will be **NO elections being conducted** at this year's USATF Officials Meeting.

However, at the 2012 USATF Convention (Daytona Beach, FL 11/28 - 12/2/2012), the USATF Officials Committee Chairs positions will be seeking candidates for the following 4 years' chairs positions; NOC - **Chair**, NOC - **Secretary** and **NOC – Rules**.

Start now seeking candidates for these 2012 chair positions.

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**COMMITTEE REPORT**

**UNIFORM/MERCHANDISE SUBCOMMITTEE  
REPORT**

Win Eggars  
Keith Mitchell

It has been a pleasure working with The Porch Collection in getting the shirts in and out in a short period of time. And this year we will be able to work with the Porch Collection as they are planning to visit with us at the convention.

Billy had said if enough were to want the long sleeve shirt he could carry it. But only if enough should showed interest in it. He did order the item. However we did not make enough orders and the item has been dropped. He can only order at the times that fit the inventory so he does not have a lot of inventory setting that is not of the correct sizes. He must meet certain min orders to get the price break for us.

Anyone wanting to order the following items should go to the Officials website at [www.usatfofficials.com](http://www.usatfofficials.com) and click on the

Uniform/Equipment/Merchandise.

You will find the following items listed.

Shirts & Hats -----The Porch Collection

Rain Gear & Jackets -----Boathouse

Fanny Pack -----Lane Advertising

Officials Necktie-----

Officials Long Scarf-----Jim McKee

Weather Writer-----Weather Writer USA

Hope to see you in St. Louis

## Representatives to the National Officials' Committee

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ADIRONDACK	JOE SHUFELT
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INDIANA	KEITH C. MITCHELL Sub for Keith JOANNE MITCHELL DAVID BOWERS

INLAND NORTHWEST	HEIDI CHEREL
IOWA	RICHARD J. LEUTZINGER LARRY McHONE
KENTUCKY	GORDON D. BOCOCK Sub for Gordon DOUG ALLEN KENNETH MORTON FRANK NEWTON
LAKE ERIE	JIM FLANIK
LONG ISLAND	WILLIAM P. OTT
MAINE	DONALD P. BERRY
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MICHIGAN	ERIC D. ZEMPER ROB BUZAITIS MARY JANNUASCH-ZEMPER Sub if needed
MID-ATLANTIC	KENNETH R. YERGER MONIQUE WHITE
MINNESOTA	MARK KRUG
MISSOURI VALLEY	KEVIN T. HARRISON
MONTANA	DENNIS M. GRUE
NEBRASKA	MICHAEL D. MARYOTT BILL SCARBOROUGH
NEVADA	RICHARD B. MINYARD, JR.
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NEW JERSEY	CRAWFORD SABIN
NEW MEXICO	PAUL GOORIS
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ROBERT TICE

OHIO

LEN KRSAK

Sub for Len

SCOTT ROSE

ELINOR TOOTLE

OKLAHOMA

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CAROL McLATCHIE

GLENN FORTUNE

DOUG BOWMAN

OZARK

VIRGINIA MULANAX

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WILLIAM R. HICKMAN

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Sub for Clearence LLOYD McMILLAN

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

CRAIG COOPER

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