

USATF Southwest Region Associations Committee Meeting

Meeting Minutes

December 21, 2013

- I. Call to order
 - a. Jackie Callender called the meeting of the USATF Southwest Region Association Committee to order at 8:06pm on December 19, 2013 on a Telecon conference line.

- II. Roll Call
 - a. The following associations were present:
 - i. Border
 - ii. Oklahoma
 - iii. Southern
 - iv. South Texas
 - v. Southwestern
 - b. The following associations were absent:
 - i. Arkansas
 - ii. Gulf
 - iii. West Texas

- III. Approval of minutes from last meeting
 - a. Oklahoma association volunteered to take meeting minutes

- IV. Open Issue Discussion
 - a. Newsletter format. It was determined that the format of the newsletter would be with at 12 point font size, New Times Roman font and regular font style.
 - i. There will not be a Christmas edition newsletter.
 - ii. It was suggested by the Southern association that previous newsletters be recaptured in a summary outline
 - iii. Jackie Callender will compile the most valuable documents (MVD) sent throughout 2013, as well as info from his executive board meeting later this month as the newsletter for 2013. Associations are invited to send significant events they would like to share in the end of year newsletter. ***Newsletter is expected to be ready the first week of January.***
 - iv. Agreed that there will be a newsletter for 2014 sometime in January.

 - b. New accreditation standards. Associations need to be aware of these standards and should make sure that they have the required documents on hand to complete the process.

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- i. Association reps were concerned with the required dates the new accreditation documents would be due.
 - ii. Jackie Callender said he would reach out to Herb Nicholls and Desiree Friedman for the mandatory dates documents would be due.
 - iii. Jackie Callender made a note that Chapter 7 of the Governance Manual offered 10 key must haves for each association.
 - c. Required championships have been reduced from 21 to 20 for 2013
 - i. Jackie Callender emailed email correspondence to the group relating to this issue.
 - ii. There was not a specific championship eliminated, but information was provided on how an association might meet the required number.
 - iii. Toni Nichols shared her thoughts on how the required number could be met.
 - d. New lifetime membership numbers.
 - i. Since the numbers do not come with an expiration date or association affiliation, it doesn't insure active membership.
 - ii. There was discussion on the real benefits of being a member of USATF, and how some entities are reaping the benefits without being members.
 - iii. Discussion was made on the 50% club membership requirement.
 - 1. Jackie Callender made the point that some smaller associations should not be held to the same standard as others. Demographics and economics should also be a measure.
 - e. Funding delegates to the annual meeting.
 - i. Question was posed to the attendees on how they handled funding delegates.
 - ii. There was not intended issue, just informational.
- V. New Hot Issues
 - a. There were no new hot issues brought to the committee for discussion or follow up for a later time.
- VI. Adjournment
 - a. Jackie Callender adjourned the meeting at 9:45pm.

Minutes submitted by: Jacci White – Oklahoma Association

Minutes approved by: