



Administrative Division

AAC Event Leaders Meeting

Wednesday, November 30

Call to Order / Attendance

Welcome and Remarks by Sandra Farmer Patrick
Kudos to Dexter McCloud for L&L meeting work.

Thanked Event Leaders for their hard work.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Motion made by Jon Drummond, second by Dexter McCloud, for approval of the minutes from the Oct 9 conference call. **Accepted Unanimously.**

Motion by Jon Drummond, second by LaTanya Sheffield that the minutes from the April 24th Conference call be approved. **Accepted Unanimously.**

INFORMATION PACKET

Keep the binder for future meetings to add inserts.
AAC Meeting Schedule is in the info packet.
Athlete Committee Assignments in the packet.
Help new athletes to attend future meetings during the convention.

L & L COMMITTEE ITEMS:

Agents Issues, PAA & increase athlete representation.
Agents regulations task force - revamped the agent certification program.

Professional Athlete Association (PAA) - This group moved for a 5E organization which will give it a spot on the USATF board spots. We have a new definition for professional athlete. Want to define a professional athlete as what the PAA defines as a professional athlete. Need to move that through L&L. This will allow autonomy with the PAA making the decisions for the athletes.

Increase athlete representation – a battle with some committees, we need to keep enforcing the percentage of athlete representation (20%).
Association membership is also an issue on the ballot - may be dependent on each sport committee.

Jon Drummond reiterated to make sure our voice is heard as the voting representation entitles us to such.

STAFF SCREENING

Staff Selection will be Friday for Men & Women's Head Coach and Head Manager for the Olympic Staff. Several athletes volunteered to be on this committee. We discussed the criteria for future staff selection and how the AAC has mentioned the need for Olympic level experienced coaches for some of the staff positions.

AAC 2006 OVERVIEW-

- IAAF does not have an athlete commission as functional as our committee, nor does it have representation like we do here.
- Lobbied to waive annual meeting fee for the athletes of \$150.00.
- Increased athlete commitment and participation within USATF.
- Implemented EX-Officio Committee to ensure that AAC has adequate athlete representation at the Board Meetings and AAC conference calls.
- Secure adequate coaching staff for the athletes at OTC – Chula Vista, in order to maintain residency.
- Implementation of the “Managers Pool Program”.
- Proposed bylaw for PAA
- Proposed new Agent Regulations Guidelines
- Initiated and implemented Post-Collegiate Scholarship Fund program for emerging athletes.
- Helped support the Rookie Camp which has 30-40 participants this year.

AAC Leadership Award – new this year

This will be presented on Friday.

AAC Meeting

December 1

I. Call to Order

II. Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve Dec 2nd meeting minutes by Sasha Spencer, seconded - **passed unanimously**
Sharrieffa Barksdale motioned for approval of the Dec 3rd meeting minutes, seconded - **passes unanimously**. Antonio Pettigrew motioned for the approval of the Dec 4th meeting minutes, seconded - **passed unanimously**.

III. Welcome and Introductions of Executive Committee and Event Leaders.

IV. AAC's Mission

- Established in 1980.
- We are committed to being athletes advocate. Started with 5 athletes
- Minimum of 20% representation on all committees
- Lobbied to waive the \$150 fee for athletes
- Increased athlete commitment and participation
- Implemented Ex-Officio committee to insure adequate representation
- Secure adequate coaching staff for athletes at the OTC to maintain residency
- Implementation of the "Managers Pool Program"

2008 Olympic Trials Presentation

- Barbara Kousky and Mike O'Reilly are on Committee and accompanied Vin Lanana in his bid review.
- Working as an entire community to make this a huge event.
- There will be another high performance meet at Oregon for the next three years
- Throws issues surrounding the site of the hammer. A motion was made by Ian Waltz, and seconded by Cari Soong, for the hammer to take place outside the oval at the Olympic trials. *This was passed unanimously.* Also it was highly recommended to add seating for 1000 spectators.

VII. Research Project

Krista Austin spoke about a gene research project on sprints, jumps and hurdles about the lineage of the athletes and the impact on their athleticism. She has a quick survey and would need a swab of DNA. This can help further research in the area and she is located in the lobby for the next few days.

Ralph Lindamen – Air Force Head Coach

Will be in the pool for Olympic Staff and was discussing his credentials for such position. (719) 930-4517 cell number if questions.

IX. Gleukos

CEO Mark Jensen spoke about his product and their support of USATF and free samples were given out.

X. IAAF

New rule to allow one 'B' standard athlete per event with two "A" athletes or less. This is currently for the 2007 World Championships and has yet to be officially adopted for the Olympics.

The track and field committees have adopted the process to decide the team on the day of the trials and not to allow chasing after the trials. They will send 4 names to not include more than one 'B' unless there are no 'A' athletes. Can enter two 'B's if no 'A' in the event, and one could compete and one could chase the standard.

XI. L&L Issue

Dexter moved to accept language changing the bylaw definition of a professional athlete to match what the PAA determines to be a professional athlete. Gary Morgan seconded and it *passed unanimously.*

An agent / coach task force Committee was created and will be chaired by Tyree Washington. They are looking for additional members to take part in this committee to review issues surrounding agents and coaches.

Jon Drummond wants this task force to look at coaches who are being paid sending athletes to certain agents without the athletes input as well as agents going after athletes prior to the completion of their collegiate eligibility

XII. Officials Clinic

Linda Metzler invited athletes to the officials clinic with Alan Bell who is the Head starter for the 2012 Olympics. There will be equipment and an experience to help the athletes. This is Saturday 1-4pm grand Ballroom 7.

XIII. PAA

The updates on the services the PAA has provided to date are:

Put \$50,000 over four years in to the elite athlete retreat.

Prize money has increased from top 5 to top 8 at the Olympic trials.

Expanded the Prefontaine Classic to include more events and athletes.

Promotional track meet proceeds are going into the PAA.

XIII. IAAF Cross Country

Anne Timmons asked for a resolution to maintain equal numbers on the men's and women's cross country teams for the IAAF World Championships. Teddy Mitchell made a motion to support this resolution. *It was seconded, passed unanimously.*

Be it resolved that USATF is not in favor of the IAAF Councils decision to have 9 men with 6 to score and only 6 women, with 4 to score as a team sizes competing at the world xc championships. We firmly believe that equal numbers should be represented for the senior men's and senior women's teams.

Motion to adjourn at 3:35pm

December 2, 2005

I. Meeting called to order at 8:25am

II. Sign in sheet for all athletes

III. Post collegiate Scholarship Athletes

Rookie Camp, Five years, True Signs of success with our young athletes

IV. Special Guests

Lamine Diack, IAAF President

He spoke to the group about his experiences in the United States and meeting with all the constituencies of this organization. He spoke about his love of the sport and his involvement in the sport. He talked about the history of the relationships with the IAAF, good and bad, covering from drug woes of the early 2000's to the highlights of the great performances in Helsinki in 2005. He touched on the lack of TV coverage in between Olympic years. He also is working with Craig to create partnerships to host future international competitions in the United States. Lastly he congratulated the young American team that was so brilliant in Helsinki!

Craig Masback, CEO

Craig discussed the work that was done in conjunction with Lamine Diack over the past few days for the betterment of the sport.

The AAC gave out a first time award called the **Distinguished Leadership Award** to Lauryn Williams and Sanya Richards for their involvement in the "Be a Champion" Program.

Bill Roe, USATF President

Welcomed everyone and commented on the leadership of the AAC. He also talked about the restructuring of the organization and the athlete involvement.

Amadeo Francis, IAAF Vice President

NACAC- North America, Central America and Caribbean. Have held NACAC XC

Championships in Orlando; mountain running, and multi's.

NACAC under-23 Championships in Santo Domingo and in 2007 NACAC Open Championships (First Ever).

Robert Hersh, IAAF Council

Talked about how our federation is the most athlete-active of all the other federations.

2006 World XC in Fukoka , Japan, 2007 World XC in Mombasa Kenya; World Road Running Championships in Hungary October 2007, then in 2008 will be in Italy for the half-marathon; World Indoors in Moscow 2006, World Indoors 2008 in Valencia, Spain and World Cup in Athens, Greece in 2006.

They also set the standards for the 2007 World Championships. The window was enlarged for the marathon, Race-walk and combined events. Also included automatic time qualifiers for the top 20 in NYC, Boston, Chicago, London and Berlin marathons for the 2007 World Championships. World Athletics Final 2006 will go to Stuttgart Germany. The Grand Prix is also being restructured. This will use a point scoring system. There will be Golden League, Super Grand Prix and Grand Prix and also Continental Meets.

The three meets in NACAC are Kingston Jamaica, Carson California and the Reebok Meet in NYC. The top scores (using their best five events) will be invited to take the 7 places of 8 in the Grand Prix final (with the 8th place being selected by the IAAF). IAAF has expanded its athlete's commission.

Toni Campbell, Al Joyner, and Todd Henson from the Olympic Training Center spoke about the facility and opportunities for training.

V. Liaison Reports

Angie Taylor, Sharrieffa Barksdale Report on Liaison Positions

Angie talked about a great meet and hospitality that was used by all the athletes. Sandy Snow, Sandy Fowler and Rita Somerlot did a great job as the staff leaders.

Sharrieffa spoke about the trip to Canada and the 56 medals they one. She also talked about the fun games and bonding things they did which had great results. They had a great coaching staff that really helped the athletes.

Thomas Johnson also talked about his upcoming position as Manager.

Sharrieffa also beautifully sang the song "Wind Beneath My Wings" for us.

VI. Athlete Support Program

Mike Conley spoke about the meeting Saturday at 4:00 pm in Board Room 2 to discuss this in more detail. He spoke about prize money for indoor and outdoor championships in 2006 and spoke about the post-collegiate scholarship fund.

The performance pool funding helps four years out and on in to help support them throughout the Olympiad. They start with a larger pool then work in to the top 10 in the event. The stipend is split and the second half only awarded if they compete in the national championships. Top 10 receives stipend, medical and coach bonus, then the next 10 receive bonus but not coach or medical.

There also is an elite athlete hardship fund. Operation Gold is given to athletes using the rankings. All this information will be in the handbook.

Tuition Assistance grants are available on a one-time basis for graduate and undergraduate. The insurance program is down to 170 this year and will drop 10 per year til 2008.

The USOC has dropped those spots each year. Criteria are top 2 at nationals or top 20 in the world.

We also have sport accident insurance. This covers if you are hurt competing or training. Event leaders need to communicate this info to their group. O jobs are picked by USOC and we just confirm that the athletes meet the criteria.

VII. USA vs Finland Throws Dual Meet

Had a great event this year and will repeat in 2006 and want other events to consider similar type meets.

VIII. Committee Reports

Stephanie Durst reported on the increased membership fee to \$30. The meeting to discuss such is at 9:00 am in General Competition.

Erica talked about Women's Track Coaches Committee.

Philip talked about development committee work Erica Bartolino said in the Records meeting they will now allow American Records to be set abroad.

IX. USOC Career Workshop

Keith Bryant talked about the new athlete Career program partnered with Adecco. They are offering a seminar tomorrow to look at this issue. Pat Glennon also spoke about his work at Adecco.

Motion to adjourn at 11:45 am.

December 3

I. Attendance Sheet was sent around.

II. Committee Reports

LaTanya Sheffield reported on Staff Selection.

Rose Monday spoke about high performance and development.

Kip Janvrin talked about Men's Track and Field issues such as relay selection.

Kim Keenan-Kirkpatrick spoke about the LDR Meetings.

Gwen Wentland spoke on coaches advisory.

Youth Nationals sites and bids were discussed.

III. Tim Baker

NTO is an officials group who is seeking diversity and athlete involvement. Please sign up if you are interested.

IV. Development Chairs

Larry James, Brooks Johnson and Sue Humphrey spoke about development

The athletes broke into event groups to discuss potential uses of development funds.

Lauryn Williams made a motion to review the rules regarding movements in the starting blocks, other than those which are initiated by the foot, that may distract or cause other competitors in that heat to false start.

Event Group needs:

Throwers – Domestic competition with international throwers

Distance – Quality competitions with top level comp and rabbits, hosting meets in convenient places and times, and medical testing of blood etc for feedback, then coordinating these things to improve upon performances.

Hurdlers – a summit in March between indoor and outdoor season to analyze different parts of the races, and have hurdles competed in all high performance meets. Add more 400 H races before nationals to give ample opportunity to compete.

Sprints -- More development meets outside championship meets on May 13 and June 10th. Add more sprint events to the championship meets.

V. Craig Masback / Doug Padilla

Doug asked about marketing of uniforms with athletes name on it. He asked to form a task force to look into this issue of if this is viable and if uniforms should be authentic or similar replicas.

Craig talked about potential uniform advertising in the future for IAAF competitions if and when approved by IAAF.

VI. Sandy Snow and Marci Ahern Indoor Championships February 24-26 in Boston.

You must have a valid passport valid until October of 2006 and you MUST bring it with you. The Indoor Worlds will be March 10-12 in Moscow, Russia. Team travel will be on March 5th returning March 13th.

2007 Outdoor Championships will be in Indianapolis, IN. Large committee is working to make a great event and there will be info provided after the indoor meet.

VII. PAA (Professional Athlete Association)

The PAA exists and is now part of USATF!!! The work has just begun and will be very challenging. This will take us to the next level to help with pensions, retirement, and collective bargaining. The closing session is from 8:30 am till 10:00 am and the athletes need to be there for the vote.

VIII. Other Business

Jenny Crain talked about the licensing fee for foreign athletes to be allowed to race in the US. Jill Pilgrim recommended that we need to tell the event directors to do drug testing. Jenny was looking for a motion from the floor to support this concept of instituting foreign licensing. Motion passes.

Remainder of Minutes

For the last 10 minutes of the meeting the minutes are incomplete and will be finished at a later date.

Committee on Athletics for the Disabled

December 1, 2005

Call to Order by Chair, Barbara Chambers and Introductions

Minutes from December 2004, tabled

Chair's Report (in Annual Meeting Reports Book)

COMMITTEE MEMBERS' REPORTS

Wheelchair Sports, USA - Denise Hutchins reported that the junior program has expanded to 21 years old; Barbara was elected chair of WSUSA; more than 20 meets held nationally which included Tri-Sate meet, Endeavor Games in OK (with over 250 cross-disability athletes), the National Junior Disability Championships in Tampa, FL

National Disability Sport Alliance (Cerebral Palsy) - Yvonne Grimes reported on the 2005 World CP Games held in Conn. Barbara reported that WSUSA and NDSA have entertained the notion of collaboration with possibility of merging programs

Disabled Sports, USA - Wounded Warrior Program immersing newly returning disabled veterans from the Iraq and Afghanistan conflicts in sport as part of their re-integration

US Association of Blind Athletes - no report

Special Olympics, Inc.- The first National S.O. to be held in Ames, Iowa. Unified Sports Track & Field Championships integrated 1250 athletes with disabilities and non-disabled peers in a two-day school-based meet held in Las Vegas, Nevada.

USA Deaf Track & Field - no report

Dwarf Athletic Association of America - Rich Robert reported on the National games and the diminishing number of athletes

OLD BUSINESS

Competition Rules (Eric Zemper) Any Rules changes need to be submitted by the end of Dec to be included in the 2006 USATF Competition Rule Book

Association Awards (2006) - Submit recommendations for next year

Coaches' Education - Rich Robert was (volunteered) appointed by the Chair to explore the possibility of including accommodations in Level I.

NEW BUSINESS

2006 Budget - Grants \$500 stipends for local assns to develop programs/ opportunities for athletes with disabilities at a grass roots level

IPC Clinics (Denise Hutchins)
IPC Classification Clinic- June 28-29, 2006 in Atlanta, GA
IPC International Technical Official (date TBD)

5km Cross Country Disability Championships
-- Steve Cuomo gave a report on the 5km Cross Country Disability Championships

ADA Accommodations - Barbara presented information on the ADA. After some discussion, this was tabled until the meeting Saturday.

Schedule for "work" sessions and Committee Assignments - work group to meet at 8am Friday, Dec 2

Adjourn - Next meeting Saturday, Dec 3 at 12:30

Session 2 -- December 3

Call to Order by Chair, Barbara Chambers and Introductions

Minutes from December 1, 2005 were handed out for review and corrected.

Chair's Report (in Annual Meeting Report) - Highlights included: information on Disability Sports Organizations (DSOs) losing total funding from the USOC and funding going to US Paralympics; DSOs seeking partnerships with USATF Associations to develop grassroots; and the inaugural 5km Cross Country Disability Championships.

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Dwarf Athletic Association of America - Rich Robert reported that they hold National games annually, but the numbers of athletes are diminishing. They do have 30 junior athletes, and will contact NJDC for inclusion.

OLD BUSINESS

2005 Competition -- Vignettes were presented for the USATF National Cross Country Disability Championships, co-sponsored by COAD and Long Island Track & Field; Clark Co. School District & Special Olympics Nevada Unified Sports Track and Field Championships held in Las Vegas; National Junior Disability Championships, held in Tampa Florida; and the multi-event/multi-disability Endeavor Games in Edmond, OK. Denise talked about the "Wounded Warrior" program. Additional information was shared regarding the cooperative program between USOC and the National Veterans Wheelchair Games to allow athletes to qualify for international teams. There was some discussion

about qualified officials, and meeting competition standards at the Vet Games.

Association Awards: 2005 Association award was presented to Long Island Track & Field for their involvement with the Cross Country Championships at the Awards Breakfast. Steve Cuomo was also presented with an award as race director.

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IPC Clinics (Denise Hutchins)

IPC Classification Clinic - June 28-29, 2006 in Atlanta, GA prior to the US Paralympic Championships.

IPC International Technical Official (date TBD) International officials will come to the US to train Master level USATF officials as ITOs.

Coaches' Education- Rich Robert reported that he, Denise Hutchins, Barbara Chambers, and Steve Cuomo met to discuss strategies. Rich will begin compiling information to be used at two levels: one for more experienced coaches to increase their skills to include coaching techniques for athletes with disabilities; and then one of entry-level coaches (parents, therapists). Charlie Sheppard added that Coaching Level I will be available as a DVD course, it would be easy to include one extra DVD to cover accommodations and modifications for athletes with disabilities.

ADA Accommodations - Jill Pilgrim explained in detail the new guidelines for accommodation athletes with disabilities in able-bodied events. The purpose of these guidelines is to provide athletes with disabilities (according to 504 Regulations) with the opportunity to formally request accommodations to able-bodied events, and be assured that every meet would be offering the same accommodations. In addition, meet directors would be able to have assistance from the National Office with making decisions on allowances. This will primarily affect track meets, and road races (who frequently allow a variety of provisions not only for athletes with disabilities, but also for strollers, etc) would not be as affected. There will be legislation presented tomorrow regarding including as a requirement for Sanctioning, a section would be placed on the meet registration forms (samples are on the USATF website).

Discussion followed about some of the new prosthetics (for amputees) being "performance enhancing equipment" (such as springs or too long for normal leg length). Since next year is a "Rules" year, a committee was developed (Al Orr, Denise Hutchins, Eric Zemper, and Mike Polansky, with ex officio member, Barbara Chambers) to look at possible modifications and interpretations of items, such as orthopedic equipment requirements, to be submitted to Rules in 2006 from COAD.

NEW BUSINESS

2006 Competition Dates

Endeavor Games, Edmond, OK	6/10-11/06
US Paralympic Championships Atlanta, GA	6/30-7/2/06
IWAS World Youth Games, IRE	7/11-17/06
Junior Nat'l Disability Championship Boston, MA	7/22-29/06

Report Committee Reps:

Officials: Denise Hutchins reported that after 15 years of attending Officials Meetings, COAD finally has a vote on the committee. She will be handing out meet information/applications to solicit officials.

Development: Dick Moss reported that Men's and Women's Development has merged.

Youth: Charlie Sheppard reported that championships have been awarded though 2007. In Youth, as well as several other committees, there was much discussion on the pending membership dues increase.

Associations: Barbara Chambers reported that there was much discussion on Coaches' background checks. Alan Roth, Associations Chair, discussed the new web-based program, "America's Running Routes", to offer a database of running routes throughout the nation. The program was announced two days ago, and has already had 800 entries. From a discussion held earlier this week, Alan suggested that the Chair formally request that routes are also marked as to wheelchair access (maybe indicated by an accessibility symbol).

Meeting Adjourned until 2006 in Indianapolis.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne Mitchell
Secretary

Coaches Advisory

The Coaches Advisory committee has devoted the past year to continuing to organize from a legislative position as L&L has not approved a starting number of delegates to the USATF Annual Meeting directly from our committee. A concerted effort was made to include all divisions of the coaching community and to be instrumental in the reorganization of the United States Track coaches Association which has changed its name to the United States Track and Field Cross Country Coaches Association. Our annual meeting has been planned around the meeting of the USTFCCA in Jacksonville.

Discussions have started to examine ways in which the CAC can have a greater contribution to the activities of USATF which impacts coaches. A task force was assigned to explore various issues and report back to the membership in early 2006.

The ongoing work of a task force to examine the elimination of college track and field programs was emphasized by the body of NCAA coaches voting to wear black wrist bands at the Division I Outdoor National Championships to protest the dropping of several track programs in the spring of 2005. This task force has also continued to dialogue with the NCAA to seek their assistance from a governance position.

Goals for the 2006 year are being developed to include, but not to be exclusive, the following:

- 1) retention and promotion of women coaches;
- 2) support of our coaching community to national meetings;
- 3) increasing further educational opportunities for coaches; and
- 4) to cultivate a direct line of communication for giving back and voicing concerns about issues in our broad event areas.

Respectfully submitted;

Terry Crawford, Chair

Law & Legislation

(See full report on our website...
http://www.usatf.org/about/AnnualMeeting/2005/2005LawAndLegislationPacket_approved.pdf)

Officials Committee Executive Board Meeting

Meeting called to order by Chair Linda Melzer at 10:00 am.

Executive board members present L.Melzer, L. Krsak, R. Harvey, J. Flanik, S. Polansky, G. Boccock, G. Kleeman

Secretary's Report – Given by L. Krsak
There were no additions or deletions. Two corrections were noted. Motion to accept report by G. Boccock, seconded by G. Kleeman. ***Report accepted unanimously.***

Treasurer's Report – Given by S. Polansky
Sue reported reimbursements have been received in a timely manner. Sue requested advanced knowledge as to when conference calls are to be made. The 2005 financial report through November 22, 2005, budget comparison as of November 22, 2005 and proposed budget for 2006 were discussed. Motion to accept report given by R. Harvey seconded by J. Flanik. ***Report accepted unanimously.***

Awards Chair Report – Presented by G. Boccock
Gordon thanked past Vice Chair Jim Grey for his input and recording keeping. It was reported an excellent number of people participated in the Andy Bakjian vote. The National Outstanding Officials Awards were expanded for 2005, 2000 – 2004 certification numbers were used. Dick Connors questioned some of the 2005 candidates for the Andy Bakjian not having national exposure and not being well known. G. Kleeman suggested rewriting criteria.

Certification Report – Presented by J. Flanik
Jim reported as of December 2, 2005, 5762 were certified officials for the 2005-2008 Olympiad. 1200 are new, estimate 6000 in the fold by December 2005. Goal is 10,000 by end of Olympiad or 1000 new officials per year. Jim stated it takes a month to prepare for selection committee meetings. It was reported future certifications will be done online, with each certification chair making entries. Objective is to start with one Association than go to five. Estimated cost for new system \$4,340. Additional cost \$1,380 per year or \$115 per month service fee. Committee unanimously adopted to go to the list server.

G. Kleeman questioned where to place list server expense in the budget, S. Polansky suggested under data base/computer. Jim also explained national meet application letter procedure for 2005.

Training Subcommittee – Rob Buzaitis

Rob explained clinics to be conducted at the annual meeting, i.e., certification, umpire/marshal, mentoring, breaking ties, field lynx – vertical jumps.

L.Melzer explained last clinic to be conducted i. e., starting will be presented by Alan Bell from England.

Rules – G. Kleeman explained 93 items are up for consideration. Majority are changes to conform to IAAF wording. It was mentioned B. Podkaminer is trying to consolidate all 5 rule books into one, but dose not have the authority to do it. For 2005 the NCAA has a lot of new editorials. NFH has made only two rule changes for the year. USATF Rules review test have been rewritten to 50 questions, one test per discipline. All certification chairs will receive disc with new test. Certification chairs can start using new test immediately.

L. Melzer informed committee goals would be discussed on Saturday 12/3/05.

G. Kleeman discussed agenda, suggested adding saving clause to agenda. George, also informed committee the Disable Discipline is looking for ATO'S. It was also announced there are currently three (3) ITO'S in the USA John Blackburn, George Kleeman and Eric Zemper.

L. Melzer discussed letters she receives through out the year. Linda also stated 2006 Masters Meet housing for officials is taken care of as well as Youth National and the JO'S, per Linda Phelps.

L. Melzer stated the following, approximately 400 officials applied for the 2006 championship meets. 120 applied for combined events, but only 15 will be selected, 60 for indoor and 120 for outdoor. Proposal made to L&L seeking legislation for food and housing for officials. Transportation and per diem probably will never happen. Discussed officials getting selection applications in by the due date. Date for 2005 was extended due to weather (hurricanes) conditions. Discussed Association officials chair versus certification chair as to who is the representative is to the NOC at the annual meeting.

L. Melzer discussed NCAA officials letter received from Mark Bockelman. He's exploring the idea of certifying USATF officials with NCAA certification. B. Podkaminer added additional information regarding NCAA certification.

K. Mitchell presented new officials shirt. NOC Board approved new fabric.

L. Melzer discussed definition and criteria for emeritus status. Currently the NOC has 25 officials certified as emeritus.

At 10:35 am L. Melzer called for a close session.

Point of information – 44 guests attended meeting. Meeting suspended at 12:00 noon till December 3, 2005 at 9:00 am.

Session 3 – Dec. 3, 2005

Meeting called to order by L. Melzer at 9:05 am.

Executive board members present L. Melzer, L. Krsak, R. Harvey, J. Flanik, S. Polansky, G. Boccock, and G. Kleeman.

R. Harvey informed board Alan Bell, from England would be conducting the Starters clinic later in the day.

L. Melzer introduced guest B. Roe and announced officials would receive two gifts at the last general session, a USATF patch and hip clip.

G. Kleeman suggested goals be set for the officials committees. All committee chairs to submit their respective goals. J. Flanik to inform all committee chairs.

Y. Grimes to apply for grant money to produce recruitment brochure.

G. Kleeman suggested NOC create a hall of fame committee, candidates should be some one on a national stage. B. Roe explained hall of fame procedures.

L. Melzer asked for definition of emeritus, J. Flanik presented draft, discussion took place. No decision reached.

L. Melzer discussed additional insurance program for officials. Additional information will be presented at the last general session.

J. Stuart stated new web site for officials is currently being designed.

L. Melzer established mid-year meeting dates for executive board members as July 7 – 9, 2006, place to be determined, either Columbus, Ohio or Cleveland, Ohio.

R. Buzaitis stated he will publish up coming meets on the Officials website.

D. Connors suggested USATF help supply officials for NCAA Div I Championship. Comments were expenses usually a problem for many officials to participate.

R. Harvey made a motion to go to a close session seconded by S. Polansky. Motion passed unanimously.

Session closed at 10:00 am.

Closed session began at 10:05 am.

Reconvene open session at 10:30 am.

J. Skelly reported 50 individuals have requested to take the master referee test. Six (6) individuals have been grandfathered, Six (6) have completed all requirements but have not been announced. 10 others are pending. Jim also stated some individuals are not submitting a complete package, items missing.

G. Bocoock made a motion to adjourn seconded by S. Polansky. *Motion passed unanimously.*

Point of information – 41 guests attended meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 10:45 am.

Officials Committee General Meeting

SESSION # 1 – Dec. 2

Meeting called to order at 9:00 am by Chair Linda Melzer.

The roll was called by Secretary, Len Krsak. A quorum was present.

First item of business, G. Kleeman discussed/explained L&L changes and proposals from the Officials committee. A motion was passed to suspend regular operating procedures to accomplish the following:

1. Renumber operating Bylaws, motion passed unanimously.
2. Correct, chairs of committees, motion passed unanimously.
3. Membership at 14 years of age. Discussion occurred. Dick Connors suggested young people become eligible, motion passed unanimously.
4. Membership to committees, motion passed unanimously.
5. Officials can have membership in multiple Associations, but can only be certified in one. Discussion occurred, Elbert Reed motion to accept seconded by Barbara Palm motion, passed unanimously.
6. Elect the Vice Chair of Awards same time as the Treasurer and Vice Chair of Certification. Motion passed unanimously.
7. Amend duties of committees into Bylaws. Motion passed unanimously.
8. Change order of business & operating procedures for annual meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

All above changes were introduced and passed individually.

L. Melzer discussed Officials L&L proposals that were not accepted.

1. L & L rejected food & per diem.
2. 4-f-1 encouraged acceptance.
3. Selection letter, to be mailed by September 15th of each year, if site determination has been made.
4. Item 48 (4-h-1-b) L. Melzer said was unacceptable and item should be rejected. As M & W Track & Field should not have a say in selecting officials. Discussion took place. W. Ring asked if there were any suggested changes, answer was yes. Lynn Cannon suggested negotiating with M&W Track & Field. T. Hott recommended splitting Item 47.

L. Melzer asked for a motion to pull Item 48 on Saturday night's session. F. Adler discussed when selection letter should be mailed. T. Hott clarified issue.

T. Hott informed group Item 45 was rejected as presented, L&L revised it with rewording. Discussion took place, E. Koch explained situation

and would try to correct it. G. Kleeman asked to consider ramifications.

L. Melzer asked T. Hott to re-present items to L&L.

Secretary's Report – Presented by L. Krsak
Secretary asked to suspend reading of the minutes, explained copies of minutes were available on the sign in table plus mailed to all register officials attending the annual meeting. Reports discussed were the 2004 annual meeting minutes, executive board meetings minutes and 2004 mid-year executive board minutes. Motion made to accept report by D. Berry, seconded by B. Buttermore. ***Motion passed unanimously.***

Secretary also addressed group regarding complying with requested responses.

Treasurer's Report – Presented by S. Polansky. Discussed budget, comparison of budget, proposed 2006 budget of \$19,000.00 vs \$18,000.00 for 2005. There were no questions. S. Polansky asked for a motion to receive report, Motion given by F. Thomas seconded by J. Flanik. ***Motion passed unanimously.*** S. Polansky asked for a motion to receive 2006 budget report. Motion given by J. Hickman seconded by G. Kleeman. ***Motion passed unanimously.***

Awards Report – Given by G. Boccock. Gordon thanked J. Grey for help and information received. 378 Outstanding Service Awards were issued to local Associations to present; 11 people were nominated for the Andy Bakjian award and nominees were cut to 10. Eighty-two (82) individuals returned votes, thirty-five did not respond. Nominees were F. Adler, L. Bailey, A. Boyajian, E.Callahan, S. Chaisson, L. Glover, W. Jackson, G. Mulanax, M. Sanford and F. Thomas. Winner to be announced Saturday, December 3. Horace Crowe Award to L. Dowell presented by C. Ruter, accepted by B. Springer. Charles Ruter Award to F. Adler & B. Buttermore, presented by C. Ruter. John Davis Award presented to B. Langenbach, accepted by B. Springer, presented by G. Boccock.

Former John Davis Award winners were presented pins by G. Boccock, 2001 W. Eggers, 2002 F. Orsak, 2003 M. Sanford, 2004 Y. Grimes and 2005 B. Langenbach.

Chair Awards were presented by L. Melzer, recipients were D. Berry, W. Eggers, K. Mitchell, R. Harvey and G. Kleeman.

G. Boccock announced USATF President's Award winners, E. Baxter, W. Eggers, F. Fink, J. Grissom, V. Peters, E. Phillips, N. Seifert and L. Seifert.

L. Melzer reported on NCAA proposal to enhance selection of officials for championships. B. Podkaminer followed up with discussion and explanation. Also announced Div. II funded a stipend for the 2005 championships. Div I & III were turned down. NCAA is considering an officials improvement clinic.

L. Melzer informed members housing for J.O.'S will be taken care of for 2006 as well as the Masters championship. Youth Athletics championship will provide housing & meals.

Vice-Chair, Certification – Presented by J. Flanik. Jim stated current number of certified officials at 5700. Estimated 6000 by year end. The average age is 48 yrs, national level 56 yrs, master level 61 yrs, emeritus 76 yrs. Objective for certification chairs re-certified all 2000-2004 Olympiad officials. Jim explained how and when online certification will take place. Estimated cost for new system \$5,000.00. Also, redefining definition of an emeritus official.

Rules – report given by G. Kleeman. All rules reviews have been rewritten. One test per current level with exception of Race Walk & LDR.

93 Items were submitted to the rules committee. G. Kleeman discussed Items #3, #7, #8, #15, #16, #19, #23, #36, #46, #49, #50, #59, #66, #67, #75 & #76.

B. Podkaminer tied in with the rules presentation, announced new ITO'S, J. Blackburn, G. Kleeman and E. Zemper. Also said the NCAA last made major changes to their rule book in 1987. Any suggested changes to NCAA rules must be submitted by May 1st of each year.

S. Sharp presented legalities of running an event regarding injuries and lawsuits. He also made a presentation to the Track Coaches Association. Shelby stated preventable injuries are the ones libel, "reasonable", use common sense and good judgement.

L. Melzer announced afternoon clinic schedule.

Point of information – 188 members attended 1st general session.

Meeting adjourned at 12:10 pm to be continued Saturday December 3, 2005.

Session # 2 –Dec. 3

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

The roll was called by secretary, Len Krsak. A quorum was present.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Nominating Committee Report -- None given.

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

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

Newsletter Report -- J. Hodges-Hite stated cost is approximately \$4500.00 per printing, and as always looking for articles.

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

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

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

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

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

Rules Committee Report – Presented by G. Kleeman, George stated copies of completed report are on the table, exception to the report men's LDR won't change till 2007.

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

OLD BUSINESS – None discussed.

NEW BUSINESS

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

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

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

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

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

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

Meeting adjourned at 6:15 PM.

Point of information – 151 members attended 2nd general session.

Respectfully submitted by:

Len Krsak,
Secretary

Organizational Services

SESSION ONE - Wednesday, November 30

The first session of the Organizational Services Committee was called to order at 8:15 a.m., Wednesday, November 30, 2005 by Chair Dr. Walter High.

After determining a quorum was present Dr. High proceeded to conduct the meeting in accordance with the written agenda presented.

Dr. High announced that Darlene Hickman was appointed to the committee from Women's T&F and that Virginia Miller and Jolene Moore were appointed from the Athletes' Advisory Committee.

Dr. High requested that pause be given to remember the contributions of Mark Springer to this committee.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from the 2004 meeting. ***The motion carried unanimously.***

Lynn Cannon presented a report of Association representatives to various committees she compiled for use by those committees to determine a quorum.

A discussion followed Lynn's presentation regarding the need for a timeframe for making changes to delegations.

Mike Conley made a presentation requesting that the Professional Athletes Association be granted membership in USATF as an Article 5.E.1 member. The organization was not seeking voting privileges.

A motion was made and seconded that the Professional Athletes Association be recommended for membership in USATF as an Article 5.E.1 with no voting privileges. ***The motion passed.***

Dr. High reported that he had received a request from the Youth Track Coaches Association for membership in USATF as an Article 5.E.1 member. Discussion on this matter was deferred to the second session committee meeting.

Richard Courtney reported that 20 Association delegations failed to meet the proper balance of athletes and/or coaches, 6 Associations failed to submit either minutes or financial reports as required.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the Credentials Subcommittee report as presented. ***The motion carried unanimously.***

Dr. High reported that seven (7) Organizations failed to pay dues and therefore had no voting rights at this annual meeting.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the report as submitted. ***The motion carried unanimously.***

A brief discussion ensued regarding terminating membership of these seven (7) Organizations.

Accreditation Subcommittee – Harry Simonis presented a report that 34 Associations have attained full accreditation, 19 Associations were granted provisional accreditation, and 4 were listed as having suspension of voting rights. A motion was made and seconded to accept the report in its entirety.

Sam Germany represented the Nevada Association and requested that voting rights not be suspended for the Association. Harry Simonis gave a report and discussion centered on the nature and cause of the Association's deficiencies.

After an extended discussion, a motion was made and seconded to amend the motion on the floor to move the Nevada Association to provisional accreditation. ***The motion passed.***

A motion was made and seconded to accept the Accreditation Subcommittee's report as amended. ***The motion carried unanimously.***

There was no **Nominations Subcommittee** due to the lack of elections at this annual meeting.

Elections Subcommittee – Ruth White reported that they had been requested to assist with elections for Masters T&F on Thursday at 10:00 a.m., Youth Athletics on Thursday at 3:00 p.m., Men's LDR on Friday, at 10:00 a.m., and by the Coaches Committee at a time yet to be determined.

Discussion of Law & Legislation was moved to the Saturday meeting due to a lack of time remaining at this session.

A motion was made and seconded to reschedule the Saturday meeting to 2:00-4:00 p.m. in City Terrace Room 7. ***The motion carried unanimously.***

The Session was recessed until 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, December 3, 2005.

SESSION TWO – Saturday, December 03

The second session of the Organizational Services Committee was called to order at 2:10 p.m., Saturday, December 03, 2005, by Chair, Dr. Walter High.

After determining a quorum was present Dr. High proceeded to conduct the meeting in accordance with the written agenda presented.

Mr. John Wissler presented a request on behalf of the Youth Track Coaches Association for membership in USATF as a 5.E.2 member with five votes in the Youth Athletics Committee. Mr. Wissler explained the organization's history and purpose.

Dr. High explained that votes by 5.E.2 members are granted based on the number of committees in which they have business.

Mr. Wissler stated that his group was willing to abide by the allotted number of votes.

A motion was made and seconded to recommend membership as a 5.E.2 member, with one vote in the Youth Athletics Committee, to the Youth Track Coaches Association. ***The motion carried unanimously.***

Annual Meeting Site Selection Subcommittee

Dr. High gave a report of the regarding the 2010 Annual Meeting. The Subcommittee recommended Virginia Beach, VA for selection as the Annual Meeting Site for 2010.

A motion was made and seconded to recommend Virginia Beach, VA for the Annual Meeting in 2010. *The motion carried unanimously.*

A brief discussion followed regarding making the local Association aware when a bid is received for an Annual Meeting in their area.

Dr. High called for any issues with suggested Law & Legislation items. There were none.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

Records Report

After due consideration of the recommendations of the Records Committee, the various sports committees have taken the action set forth below with respect to pending records. Items “approved” are submitted to the USATF General Meeting for ratification. The items referred to by numbers are as they appear on pages 147 to 162 of the USATF Annual Meeting Book.

I. Men’s Track & Field

Approve items 3-7, 10-16. Reject items 1, 2, 17, 18. Defer items 8, 9.

II. Women’s Track & Field

Approve items 1, 2, 4-6, 9-11, 13. Defer items 3, 7, 8, 12.

III. Race Walking

Approve item 10. Approve item 3 and correct time to 1:19:14.6. Approve item 4 and correct time to 1:33:28.2. Approve item 6 and correct time to 49:43.85. Provisionally approve item 2 pending course validations scheduled for December 2005. Provisionally approve item 12 pending course validations scheduled for December 2005 and correct name to Kate Dickinson. Reject item 7. Defer all other items.

IV. Men’s Long Distance Running

Approve item 4. Provisionally approve items 1 and 2 pending course validations scheduled for December 2005. Defer all other items.

V. Women’s Long Distance Running

Approve items 5, 8 and 9. Provisionally approve items 6 and 7 pending course validations scheduled for December 2005. Defer all others items.

VI. Masters Long Distance Running

Approve items 14, 19, 26, 27, 33, 34, 47, 48, 51, 52, 67, 68, 75, 78, 79, 89.

Provisionally approve items 13, 43, 46, 49, 50, 55, 58, 59, 77, 80, 84-87, pending course validations scheduled for December 2005. Defer all other items.

VII. Masters Track & Field

Defer items 85, 88, 95, 127 and 162. Approve all other items. Add and approve the following:

High Jump	M90-94	1.11	Donald Pellmann
	St George, UT	10/4/2005	
Long Jump	M85-89	3.27	Ralph Maxwell
	St George UT	10/4/2005	
Shot Put	M90-94	9.58	Donald Pellmann
	St George UT	10/3/2005	
Weight Pent	M80-84	4159	Dick Mulkern
	Las Vegas NV	9/30/2005	
Superweight	W55-59	8.77	Myrle Mensey
	Charlotte NC	11/17/2005	
1500 M	M40-44	3:49.82	John Hinton
	Durham NC	5/8/2004	
Pole Vault	M60-64	3.83	Matt Kilpelainen
	Las Vegas NV	10/2/2005	
Triple Jump	M75-79	9.30	James Stookey
	Las Vegas NV	10/2/2005	
Shot Put	M70-74	14.91	Gerald Vaughn
	Charlotte NC	11/19/2005	
Weight T	M80-84	13.56	Dick Mulkern
	Las Vegas NV	10/2/2005	
Weight T	W55-59	13.47	Myrle Mensey
	Las Vegas NV	10/2/2005	

Masters Race Walking

Approve items 1-10, 15-20, 23-26. Provisionally approve items 12, 21, 22 pending course validations scheduled for December 2005.

Add and approve the following Masters Race Walking Records:

14a	20 km	W55-59	1:58:41	Joanne Nedelco
	Sacramento, CA		2/14/99	
26a	40 km	M80-84	6:04:04	Herb Appel
	Ft. Monmouth, NJ		9/19/99	

Defer the following Masters Race Walking Record:

24a	20 km	M60-64	1:46:22	Leon Jasionowski
	Clermont, FL		11/13/05	

VIII. Youth Athletics

Reject items 10 and 13. Accept all other items.

The work of the record keepers – Bob Hersh, Ryan Lamppa, Linda Honikman, Donald Lein, Sandy Pashkin, Bev LaVeck, Denise Smotherman, the members of the Records Committee, past chair of the Records Committee, Basil Honikman, the Road Running Technical Council – Paul Hronjak, Neville Wood, Pete Reigel and Chair Mike Wickiser, the Technical staff of the USATF National Office – Keith Lively and Andy Gilmore – is greatly appreciated.

Submitted by

Justin Kuo, Chair

Rules

USATF RULES COMMITTEE SCORECARD – 2005 Annual Meeting, Jacksonville, FL Approved by Second General Session – December 4, 2005

Item	Action	Item	Action	Item	Action	Item	Action	Item	Action
1	A	21	A	41	AA	61	A	81	AA
2	T	22	A	42	W	62	A	82	A
3	A	23	AA	43	AA	63	A	83	A
4	A	24	A	44	A	64	A	84	A
5	A	25	A	45	A	65	W	85	AA
6	A	26	A	46	A	66	A	86	A
7	AA	27	A	47	AA	67	A	87	A
8	A	28	T	48	A	68	W	88	R
9	A	29	AA	49	A	69	AA	89	A
10	A	30	AA	50	A	70	A	90	AA
11	W	31	A	51	A	71	A	91	AA
12	A	32	AA	52	A	72	AA	92	A
13	A	33	A	53	A	73	A	93	A
14	A	34	A	54	A	74	A		
15	A	35	A	55	A	75	A		
16	A	36	A	56	AA	76	A		
17	AA	37	A	57	A	77	A		
18	AA	38	AA	58	A	78	A		
19	A	39	A	59	A	79	A		
20	AA	40	AA	60	AA	80	AA		

Final Actions: A=Accepted AA= Accepted As Amended R=Rejected T=Tabled W=Withdrawn

Amended items to the 2005 USATF Rules Package
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Item 7 – Add Rule 125.3 as follows and renumber: (IAAF 51)

When appointed, the Start Referee has the authority to make a final decision on any facts related to the start of a race where there is disagreement with a decision of the Starter. This authority is not granted in cases when the start involves a false start detected by a false start detection apparatus, unless for any reason the Referee determines that the information provided by the apparatus is obviously inaccurate or not fully considered.

Item 17 – Add the following as a Note:

Note: Orthotic inserts required for medical purposes are exempt from this rule.

Item 18 – Remove the Note from the submission.

Item 20 – Amend Rule 144.6 as follows: (IAAF 81)

Any athlete giving or receiving assistance during ((a field)) any event other than as specified in 144.3(a) must be cautioned by the Referee and warned that for any repetition, he or she will be disqualified from that event ((barred from further participation in that event. Any performance accomplished up to that time shall stand.)) If such disqualification occurs, any performance accomplished up to that time in the same event session shall not be considered valid. Performances accomplished in any previous event session, such as a qualifying round, shall stand.

NOTE 1: *For Youth Athletics exception, see Rule 302.5(k).*

NOTE 2: *Information conveyed to an athlete by an official is not considered assistance provided such information is made available to all athletes.*

Item 23 – Add Rule 146.4 and Add Rule 146.5 and

Amend Rule 146.3, as follows, and renumber: (IAAF 60, 89, 90)

Protests, at the discretion of the Games Committee or the Referee, may be made orally or in writing. For National Championships, they must be made in writing. ((For protests concerning field event measurements see Rule 180.14.))

Rule 146.4: In races where a false start control apparatus is used, if an immediate oral protest is made regarding a decision by the Starter to charge a false start, the Referee may allow an athlete to compete under protest in order to protect the rights of all concerned and provide the time required to determine if the information provided by the apparatus is obviously inaccurate.

Rule 146.5: If an immediate oral protest is made, regarding a decision of a Field Judge that a jump or throw is foul or is invalid, the jump or throw should be measured, if possible, in order to protect the rights of all concerned. The measurement should be announced only if the protest is upheld.

Delete Rule 129.4

Delete Rule 180.14

Item 29 – Add Rule 165.10(d) as follows: (IAAF 108)

In all fully automatic systems, the picture production and the time system shall be synchronized generating a uniformly marked time scale graduated in 1/100th of a second. The photo finish system must be able to produce a printed picture that shows the time for each runner.

Item 30 – Amend the first sentence of Rule 165.1 as follows:

Four ((Three)) methods of timing are official, hand timing, fully automatic timing, video timing, and transponder timing as set forth in this Rule.

Amend Rule 165.12 as follows and renumber Rules 165.12 and 165.13: (IAAF 108)

Video Timing

A videotape-based system may be used for non-championship competition, provided:

- (a) it complies with the provisions of Rule 165.10 ((is started automatically by the Starter's pistol));
- (b) it uses a videotape camera aligned with the finish line and videotape that produces at least 50 frames per second; and
- (c) it incorporates a timing device that generates a reading to 1/100th of a second. When a frame-by-frame videotape-based system is used, the official time for each competitor shall be read from the time of the frame where the competitor is positioned exactly at, or immediately after, the finish line;
- ((d) it is able to produce a printed picture that shows the time for each runner and whether or not the timing device has been started automatically by the Starter's pistol; and))
- ((e) it is so manufactured that the picture production and the time system are synchronized.))

Note: Video timing is not fully automatic timing and is intended to be used as a backup timing system.

Amend Rule 165.14 as follows:

((As an alternative,)) A photofinish system based on a combination of a video CCD (Charge Coupler Device) camera with a minimum of 100 lines per second, a computer and an appropriate electronic timing device may be used, provided this system is calibrated by an independent testing laboratory. ((The system must be aligned with the finish line and must comply with the requirements of Rule 165.12(a), (d) and (e).)) The system must record the finish through a camera with a vertical slit, positioned in the extension of the finish line, producing a continuous image. The image must also be synchronized with a uniformly marked time-scale graduated in 1/100th of a second.

Item 32 – Amend Rule 165.16 as follows: (IAAF 107, 110)

The use of transponder timing systems in race walking events not held entirely within a stadium, road and cross country races is permitted provided that:

Item 38 – Add the following Note at the end of the submission:

Note: In the 2000m event, if the water jump is on the inside of the track, the finish line has to be passed twice before the first lap with five jumps.

Item 40 – Amend Rule 169.4 as follows: (IAAF 133)

Each competitor shall go over or through the water ((, and anyone who steps to one side or the other of the water or of any hurdle or trails the foot or leg below the horizontal plane of the top of any hurdle at the instant of clearance shall be disqualified. The competitor must clear each jump, but may jump or vault each hurdle, or place a foot on each hurdle, including the hurdle at the water jump.)) . An athlete shall be disqualified if he/she:

- (a) does not jump any hurdle;
- (b) steps to one side or the other of the jumps; or
- (c) trails the leg or foot below the horizontal plane of the top of any hurdle at the instant of clearance.

Provided this Rule is observed, an athlete may go over each hurdle in any manner.

Item 41 – Amend Rule 170.8 as follows: (IAAF 135)

In the 4x400 Meters Relay, at the first take-over, which is carried out with the athletes remaining in their lanes, the 2nd runner is not permitted to begin running outside the take-over zone, and shall start within this zone. Similarly, the 3rd and 4th runners shall begin running from within their take-over zones. The second runners in each team shall run in lanes as far as the nearer edge of the breakline after the first turn where the runner may leave their respective lanes. ((may break from their lanes immediately they have passed the line after the first bend (breakline), which will be marked with)) The breakline shall be an arced line 5cm wide across the track, marked at each end ((and)) by a flag or cone ((at least 1.50m high)), positioned ((on each side of the track)) outside the track, at least 30cm from the nearest lane line.

NOTE: To assist competitors in identifying the breakline, small cones or prisms (5cm x 5cm no more than 15cm high) ((of the same color as)), preferably of a different color from the breakline and the lane lines, may be placed on the lane lines immediately before the intersection of each lane line and the breakline.

Item 43 – Amend Rule 170.10 as follows: (IAAF 137)

In ((other relay races)) any relay race, when lanes are not used, for a given exchange, waiting runners may ((can)) take an inner position on the track as incoming team members ((arrive)) approach, provided they do not

jostle or obstruct another runner so as to impede that runner's progress. In the 4x200m, 4x400m and sprint medley relays, waiting athletes shall maintain the order in accordance with Rule 170.9.

Item 47 – Amend Rule 180.4(e) as follows: (IAAF 145)

In the USA Indoor, Outdoor and Junior Outdoor Track and Field Championships, the order of competition for the fourth and fifth round ((for the final three trials)) shall be in reverse order of the best performance in the first three trials, and the order of competition for the final round shall be in reverse order of the best performance in the first five rounds. In all other competitions, the order of competition for the final three trials shall be in reverse order of the best performance in the first three trials, or in the order used for the above mentioned Championships, as determined by the Games Committee prior to the competition.

Item 56 – Amend Rule 180.20 as follows: (IAAF 157)

The maximum allowance for inclination of runways for jumping events and the Javelin Throw shall not exceed 1:100 laterally and 1:1000 downward in the running direction. In the High Jump, the maximum overall inclination of the runway ((and take-off area)) shall not exceed 1:250 along any radius in the direction of the center of the ((crossbar)) semicircular area located midway between the uprights and having the minimum distance specified in Rule 180.18.

Item 60 – Add Rule 185.9 as follows: (IAAF 170)

Wind Measurement - See Rules 163.10 through 163.14 for wind gauge placement, operation and reading requirements.

Item 69 –Amend Rule 187.25 as follows: (IAAF 191, 192)

Arc - All javelin throws shall be made from an arc of a circle drawn with a radius of 8m at the end of a runway 4m wide. This arc shall consist of a painted stripe or made of wood ((, metal,)) or other similar ((suitable)) material 7cm in width ((, painted)). It shall be white and sunk flush with the ground. Lines shall be drawn from the extremities of the arc at right angles to the parallel lines marking the runway. These lines should be 75cm in length, from the inner edge of the runway line, and 7cm in width. *** Make appropriate correction to Figure 11 ***

Item 72 –Amend Rule 187.23 as follows: (IAAF 195)

Shot Put Stop Board - The stop board shall be made of wood or ((some)) other suitable material in the shape of an arc so that the inner edge coincides with the inner edge of the rim of the circle ((, and)). The stop board shall be centered midway between the sector lines, and be so made that it can be firmly fixed to the ground. The board shall measure not less than 11.2cm wide, and have a chord between the ends of the board of 1.15m to 1.21m (± 0.01m) in length. ((to 30 cm wide, 1.15m (± 1cm) long measured straight end to end and)) The board shall be 10cm (± 2mm) high in relation to the level of the inside of the circle. The board shall be painted white. A diagram showing the layout of the Shot circle appears in Figure 9. *** Make appropriate correction to Figure 9 ***

Item 80 – Amend Rule 230.2a as follows: (IAAF 248)

CAUTION

- (a) Competitors must be cautioned by any Judge when, by their mode of progression, they are in danger of ((ceasing)) failing to comply with the definition of race walking (see Rule 232); but they ((are not entitled to)) shall not be given a second caution ((from)) by one and the same Judge for the same offense. Having cautioned a competitor, the Judge shall record all such cautions on the Judge's Tally Sheet.

Item 81 – Amend Rule 230.1(c) and add a new 230.1(d) as follows:

- (c) The Chief Judge shall assign the Judges to their respective judging areas and explain the judging procedure to be used during the race. At International Selection Competitions, the Chief Judge shall act as the supervising official for the competition and act as a Judge only in the special circumstance described in 230.3(f).

- (d) A Chief Judge's Assistant may be appointed to assist with the notification of disqualifications. At International Selections competitions, the position is required. The Chief Judge's Assistant shall not act as a Race Walking Judge.

(g) In road races, depending on the size layout of the course there should be a minimum of six to a maximum of nine Judges including the Chief Judge. In track races, indoors and outdoors, there should be five Judges including the Chief Judge. At International Selection Competitions there shall be six judges (including the Chief Judge) when the trial is conducted on a track, and there shall be no more than 9 judges (including the Chief Judge) when the trial is conducted on a road course.

Amend Rule 230.3 as follows: (IAAF 245, 251, 255, 257, 262)

- (a) When ((in the opinion of a Judge,)) a Judge observes a competitor who fails to comply with Rule 232.2, the Judge shall issue a red card. A red card is that Judge's proposal for disqualification of a competitor.
- (b) Red cards shall be given to the Recorder as soon as possible. If there is no Recorder, the red card shall be given to the Chief Judge. A Judge shall record all proposals for disqualification on the Judge's Tally Sheet.
- (c) When red cards from three different Judges have been sent to the Recorder or Chief Judge ((propose disqualifications)) on the same competitor, that competitor is disqualified and shall be notified of this disqualification by the Chief Judge or the Chief Judge's Assistant.
- (d) Notification of disqualification shall be given as soon as practicable after the competitor has finished, if it is impractical to notify the competitor of the disqualification during the race. The failure to give prompt notification shall not result in the reinstatement of a disqualified competitor.
- (e) The Chief Judge, and, when applicable, the Chief Judge's Assistant, shall use a red paddle for signaling disqualification.
- (f) At International Selection Competitions, the Chief Judge has the power to disqualify a competitor inside the stadium when the race finishes in the stadium, or in the last 100m when the race takes place solely on the track or on a road course, when his/her mode of progression obviously fails to comply with Rule 232.2 regardless of the number of previous red cards the Chief Judge has received for that competitor. A competitor who is disqualified under these circumstances shall be allowed to finish the race.
- (g) (((f))) For Championships and international trials races, ((a disqualification proposal)) one or more posting boards shall be placed on the course and/or near the finish ((used)) to keep competitors informed about the number of ((proposals for disqualification)) red cards that have been received by the Recorder or Chief Judge for each competitor. The symbol for each offense shall also be indicated on the posting board.
- (h) (((g))) Where appropriate equipment is available, computer devices with transmission capability may be used by the judges in communicating proposals for disqualification to the Recorder and the disqualification proposal Posting Board(s).
- (i) If the Referee is satisfied, on the report of a Judge or Umpire or otherwise, that a competitor has left the marked course thereby shortening the distance to be covered, the competitor shall be disqualified.

Item 85 – Amend Rule 260.4 as follows: (IAAF 269)

Each athlete who achieves a World Record shall submit to a doping control at the end of the event, to be conducted in accordance with IAAF Rules and Procedural Guidelines currently in force. The sample(s) collected shall be sent for analysis to a WADA-accredited laboratory and the results sent ((The result of this test shall be presented by the laboratory)) to the IAAF to be added to other information required for the ratification of the record. If such testing results in a doping violation, or if such testing is not conducted, the IAAF will not ratify this record.

Item 90 – Amend Rule 340.1 as follows: (IAAF 69)

Effective 1/1/2011, the Masters Long Distance Running Committee shall conduct and supervise a program for long distance running for all athletes over the age of ((40)) 35.

Item 91 – Amend CLASSIFICATIONS (d) as follows: (IAAF 69)

Masters: The Masters classification shall be limited to athletes who are at least ~~((forty (40)))~~ thirty-five (35) years old on the first day of the meet. Through 2010, Masters LDR will be limited to athletes who are at least forty (40) years old on the first day of the meet.