



NJTFOA
New Jersey Track & Field Officials Association
Southern Chapter

President: Russ Williams
2nd Vice President: Kathy Hunter
Recording Sec: Rita Bivans

1st Vice President: Ed McGowan
Corresponding Sec: Carol Haworth
Treasurer: Charles Carroll

Minutes of Regular Meeting – November 1, 2017

The president called the meeting to order at 8:00 pm with the flag salute. It was announced that two of our members will be relocating- Diann Ashton (16yrs) and Arthur Ashton (10 yrs). Their service will be missed. It was also announced that Fran Harwell was recently honored by the NAACP with the Game Changer Award. There was a moment of remembrance to pay tribute to Al Siniscalchi. Our Association contributed to the Paul Hilton Rowan Scholarship Foundation; anyone interested in information or contributing to this scholarship, see our recording secretary for contact information. The recipient of NJSIAA annual state award for Boys Cross Country is Bart Cranston. Ed Colona will Receive national recognition for the Track and Field Contributor Award.

Recording Secretary's Report: Minutes were distributed electronically, reviewed and approved by the association.

Corresponding Secretary's Report: Officials were reminded to update their contact information on the sign-in sheet and Arbiter.

Treasurer's Report: The balance forward was \$8842.43 minus expenses of \$917.38; this leaves a balance of \$7930.05. The report was accepted and approved by the association.

Committee Reports:

- **Membership-** Ed reported that concussion training will not be conducted as part of the mandatory meeting. Officials must go online and take the training; certificate of completing the course must be submitted to Ed McGowan. Copies of certificates from other sports can be used but must be submitted.
- **Ethics-** No report

Assignors Report: Bart reports there will be 14 meets at Toms River. Assignments will be posted around February; if you have worked in the past but do not plan to work this year let Bart know.

Carl reports that the Cross Country season was a great success, although there were fewer meets. Payment for winter meets will be through Arbiter. Dates are on the SJ Coaches website. For winter track you will be signing-in and signing-out.

Cadet Class: Bob Delambily announced that cadet classes will begin January 10, 2018 and continue to the end of the month at Cherokee High School. Those interested should contact Bob.

President's Comments: There has been anthem kneel down actions at scholastic events. There are many opinions on this. NJSIAA states, this is none of our (officials) business, whether for or against these actions, we are not to react to it. It's a school/team issue.

Please check and review all emails and our website to be kept informed about our association. **The January 16, 2018 meeting has to be moved due to a conflict in the Glenn Landing MS's calendar.**

Look for an announcement with the new January date.

Remember the requirement for attendance – 2 regular and 1 mandatory meeting is the requirement.

We will be implementing a new action using an Incident Report that will be used by starter/referees.

The report once completed is submitted to the president. After the mandatory meeting there will be a brief session with all starters/referees regarding this report.

Training Activities and Q & A: Linda Rosbert provided information on the new process for registration.

I. Make sure your Arbiter information is up to date; put in your travel ranges and changes in contact information, especially your phone number.

II. Changes in the spring include individuals must register online, pay your dues to NJSIAA and pay \$10 for your annual background check. Association dues (\$40) will be paid directly to Charlie. If you are in more than one association; you can do this all at one time. Only one background check per year is required.

111. (Russ) Attendance will be taken and sent to Arbiter and maintained by the state. You will be in or out of association in regard to attendance on whether you meet state requirements.

Question: Will there be a class for starters this year? There will be a future announcement.

President adjourned the meeting at 8:40pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rita Bivans