



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
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Minutes of Mandatory Meeting, February 27, 2018 was opened at 7:10 pm by the president with the flag salute. Bill Thompson's (honorary member) presence was acknowledged and a thank you note from Tom Concannon was read. The membership was presented with a suggestion of adding Arnie Oakman to our list of honorary members. This suggestion was followed by a motion, seconded and carried by the membership.

Members of the executive committee (as listed above, including Carl Rickershauser, advisor) were introduced; this was followed by the introduction of the Representatives to the State Executive Committee, Bob Delambily, Carl Rickershauser, Warren Martin, Ed Colona and Fred Swartz.

Recording Secretary's Report: Minutes from January 16, 2018 sent electronically were approved.

President's Comments:

A constitutional change of Article V5.03 was approved at the January 2018 executive committee meeting. After review, a motion was made to approve this repeal by Linda Rosbert. After a second by Kristi Hunter, the action was passed.

State awards will be given on April 8th, 12 noon, at the Westin in Princeton (Route 1). Ed Colona will receive a national award (Contributors Award) and Bart Cranston will receive a state award for boys Cross Country.

On-line testing runs from March 1st to March 31st. You must score 80% or higher to pass.

Remaining meetings for the year are Thursday, April 5th and Monday, May 14th

It was announced that a new 2nd Vice President will be needed, following Ed McGowan's ascension to the presidency.

Concussion Certificates were due February 26th. If you have not turned in your certificate, make sure you see Ed McGowan after the meeting.

Be sure you are appropriately dressed in required uniform when you arrive at a meet. Look professional. Top layer must be yellow with NJSIAA logo on it. An Incident Report Form has been created because in the past we have not had a paper trail if something happened at meets. This form will be used by starters/referees with copies going to the official and the VP of the Association. Russ will meet with all starters after the meeting to go over the form.

Assignors Reports:

Linda- All meets are posted; Tuesday is the big day for meets (short officials for Tuesday). You must sign up for RefPay, especially if you work the Indian schools. Make sure you check Arbiter daily and accept/decline assignments on time. You must check with schools for canceled meets.

Bart –April 7th, the Don Danser Relays is the first meet and will be held at Lenape HS. The Rowan Girls Invitational Meet will be held the first weekend in May (Friday, May 4th and Saturday, May 5th) at Washington Twp HS. The Camburn Meet information tba.

Ed- In Burlington County, Tuesdays and Wednesdays are crowded days, especially April 11th. If you have not accepted meets; assignment may have changed. Make sure you check arbiter daily.

Bob Delambily introduced the 17 Cadets. As their name was called, they stood and were presented to the association with a round of applause. Bob extended thanks to Bill Scott, Jack Pierce, Tom Concannon, Russ Williams and Dave Harris (one of the cadets) for their assistance with the training sessions.

Russ thanked Gene Hertz for all he does to compile information for our awards system and put together our awards ceremony.

Bill Thompson received a special certificate; others received awards for 10, 15, 20 and 25 years of service. Bill Kile (30 yrs), Ed Colona, Gerry Mathis (35 yrs) and Bob Delambily (40 yrs) were officials with highest number of service years. Bob Delambily will also receive the Woodbury Relays Award.

Bette Colona received the Richard Johnson-Martin Pocius Service Award and George Wilson was recognized as the Official of the Year.

Training Session by Chapter Representative of Regulations, Ed Menold:

1. 4-3-1 Uniforms for Track and Field and Cross Country are now found in one place in the rule book. Uniform must be school issued or school approved.
2. 6-5-11 The length of the pole vault cross bar has been expanded within the same length of high jump.
3. 6-2-14 Prohibitions regarding warm-ups were listed previously without an announced penalty; now a penalty has been added (DQ) 6-2-10, 6-2-13

Q/A: Jim Mohan asked about an equipment purchase. A motion was made for the executive committee to investigate and subsequently purchase needed equipment. The motion was carried. It was also added that when officiating field events make sure everyone is safe- do not turn your back on the circle or any area of competition.

Starters were reminded to meet with the president after the meeting.

Adjournment by president.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rita Bivans