



**NJTFOA**  
**New Jersey Track & Field Officials Association**  
**Southern Chapter**

**President:** Ed Colona  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President:** Ed McGowan  
**Recording Sec:** Rita Bivans

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice President:** Russ Williams  
**Corresponding Sec:** Carol Haworth  
**Treasurer:** Charles Carroll

**Minutes of Regular Meeting-** May 18, 2016

**President** called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 8:03 PM

**Attendees:** As per sign-in sheet

**Recording Secretary's Report:** Minutes were sent electronically; there were no questions or corrections; minute's approval was motioned by Jim Mohan and seconded by Ed McGowan.

**Treasurer's Report:** Revenues totaled \$644.00; balance \$23,783.04; expenses \$311.83; balance total \$23,471.21. Approval of report was motioned by Carl Rickershauser and seconded by Gene Hartz.

**Corresponding Secretary's Report:** Officials were reminded that it is their responsibility to keep track of attendance without contacting the secretary.

**Committee Reports:**

- **Membership – no report**
- **Evaluation - no report**
- **Ethics/Grievance – no report**
- **Constitution –** Gene reviewed the process for amending the constitution, reminding the membership that the written changes were sent electronically for review. There were no questions to the changes so a vote was taken. Vote for approval was taken by a show of hands – there was a majority show of hands and no hands shown for a no vote. The amendments were approved.

**Assignors report:** Ed announced that an official is needed for the New Egypt meet. There was a review of rainout procedures. Assignors must be notified by 2:00 pm by the school if a meet is cancelled so that it can be posted in a timely manner. That does not always happen. If an official reports and the meet was cancelled, the official receives half pay. Officials should let assignors know if the directions they give are incorrect so that a correction can be made via arbiter.

**Cadet Report: No report**

**Awards Report: No report**

**President Comments:** The correct uniform for all officials and the importance of coming to a meet prepared to work any venue was reviewed. Be prepared with your equipment and supplies. For the sectionals, you will be paid via ARBITER Ref Pay.

There was a comment about the time frames and pay for the Tri County meet which ran from 8:30 am to 6:00 pm. Officials were from NJTFOA Southern and USATF. Carl will speak to the assignors and Tri County Assoc. There was also a concern about Middle School assignments/requirements and the number of officials. Ed Colona asked Ed McGowan to meet with the appropriate Middle School staff to clarify expectations. Dates for the coming year are: Wed., 9-14; Wed., 11-2; Thur. 1-19-17; Tues., 2-28 (Mandatory Meeting-7:00 pm); Thr., 4-6-17 and Mon., 5-15-17. March 27<sup>th</sup> is the 7:00 pm mandatory make up meeting in Robbinsville. Announcement of the paper election results are- Pres. Russ Williams, Ed McGowan 1<sup>st</sup> VP and Kathy Hunter 2<sup>nd</sup> VP.

**Vice President's Comments:** Russ Williams announced that report time for sectionals for Friday, May 27<sup>th</sup> is 3:00 pm and for Saturday, May 28<sup>th</sup> the report time is 9:00 am at all locations. It is a holiday weekend so plan ahead. Thanks are extended to Ed Menold and Gene Hartz for their work on amending the constitution.

The Vice President extended commendations to Ed Colona, our out-going president for his hard work and dedication to the association over the past two years. Commendations and gratitude were also expressed for our out-going past president, Gene Hertz's many contributions, especially in maintaining award data and chapter governance documents. Both men expended time and energy in moving us forward as an association and that is greatly appreciated.

**Training Activities and Q/A on Rules: Gene Hertz and "Breaking Ties and Other Points"**

1. Umpires should have an order of events
2. Head field referee should make sure cards by the field officials are turned in before they leave; cards should go to the judge and not the FAT team.
3. If there are ties in the trials, move both athletes to the finals; in the finals for height and distance, if there is a tie, break the tie as per Rule 7 section 3 art.1 & 2. HJ/PV - Know when to go down a height or up. If you can't figure out what to do, ask your field referee.

**Motion to adjourn and seconded at 9:00 pm.**

Respectively submitted  
Rita Bivans, Recording Secretary