

USATF Illinois Semi-Annual Meeting  
Bolingbrook High School  
Bolingbrook, IL  
Minutes  
September 30, 2008

Attendees:

Mary Watters (Springfield Striders)	Art Pahl (SW Suburban Cheetahs)
Jess Gathing (Kankakee TC)	Duane Stubblefield (Kankakee TC)
Melissa Delaney (NSB)	Brenda Kimbrough (NSB)
George Giddings (Kankakee TC)	Derrick Calhoun (Firestarters TC)
Damani Shakoor (Stealth Bombers TC)	Marc Jones (Zephyrs TC)
Lorette Cherry (Zephyrs TC)	Diane Henry-Graham (Race Walk)
Win Eggers (Officials)	Patrice Wilson (Zephyrs TC)
Angelo Brown (Illinois Elite)	Rudy Christian (Maxfitness)
Deeanna Slenk (Officials)	Lee Slick (Officials)
LaVon Burks (LV's Cheetahs)	Alicia Cole (Fast & Fit TC)
Lazheta Richardson (Fast & Fit TC)	Mary Pletica (Elgin Sharks)
Judy Milroy (Huskie TC)	Dorothy Dawson

Dorothy Dawson opened the meeting at 1:15 p.m.

Old Business – None

New Business – Update of the Illinois Association Bylaws. Bylaws acceptance moved by Brenda Kimbrough and seconded by Marc Jones.

Committee Reports

Race Walk – Diane Henry Graham

- In June hosted the National RW Junior Elite Camp.
- RW did well at Junior Nationals.

Officials – Win Eggers

- Presented certificates for Above & Beyond to Marc Jones & Kim George.
- Recertification will take place after December.
- Officials will be listed at USATF Illinois website.
- Officials must work one meet a year.
- Test available on website: [www.usatfofficials.com](http://www.usatfofficials.com).
- Will send availability for test to office.

Long Distance Racing – Greg Evans

- No report.

Masters – Steve Cohen

- Looking for indoor & outdoor meets for masters.
- July 19, 2009 Midwest Masters Track & Field Championship.

- USATF Illinois can bid for 2011 Indoor & Outdoor Championship.
- Summer meets should be Open & Masters.
- Clubs hosting or including masters should advise Steve Cohen.
- Planning to host Masters Meet in 2009 at Olivet University.

Open – DeVaughn Benion

- No report

Coaches Education – Marchan Adkins

- No report

Youth – Marc Jones

- Patrice Wilson: Clubs must complete advancement process before leaving the meet.
- Brenda Kimbrough:
  - o Coaches should not go to Fred with issues during the meet. They should see Marc, Art, Pat or Brenda.
  - o Passwords to coaches only.
  - o We are looking to introduce digital signatures.
  - o Deadlines will not be extended.
- Marc Jones:
  - o State and regional meet needs volunteers.
  - o Coaches should have rules book with them during competition.
  - o Have knowledgeable people input data for state meet.
  - o XC Association Championship is November 15, 2008 at Mahomet.
  - o XC Region is schedule for November 22, at Kiswaukee College.
- Fred Kreppert discussed digital signature.
- Megan Gullo of Athletico talked about addressing sports injuries. She can be reached at: [ptdocmeg@yahoo.com](mailto:ptdocmeg@yahoo.com). The subject line should be: USATF Illinois.
- Art Pahl talked about drug testing and the upcoming ITCCCA meeting.
- Dorothy Dawson: Coaches are encouraged to submit resumes for coaching the international team.

We were dismissed at 3:20.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorette Cherry,  
Secretary