

USATF Illinois Semi-Annual Meeting Minutes
Proviso East High School
October 28, 2007

Member Attendees:

Pat Wilson (Zephyrs)
Marc Jones (Zephyrs)
Win Eggers (Officials)
Jess Gathing (Kankakee TC)
Derrick Calhoun (Firestarters)
Matthew Toye (UCTC)
Kendriya Johnson (NSB)
Darlene Simmons (Angelic Flyers)
F. Lee Slick
Mary Pletica (Elgin Sharks)

Robi Ann Nalls (Ill Elite)
Art Pahl (SW Sub TC)
Diane Graham-Henry (R C)
Damoni Shakoor (Ill Stealth Bombers)
Walter Alexander (Angelic Flyers)
Robert Kingery (LV's Cheetahs)
Bambade Shakoor-Abdullah (ISB)
Mary Watters (Spfd Striders)
Kim George (NSB)

Dorothy Dawson opened the meeting at 1:10 p.m. calling for old business:

Old Business:

- Every athlete at national JO in California received a shoe bag.
- Lawrence, Kansas is the site for the cross country national JO.
- Illinois received excellent rating for the Youth National meet.
- All bills (expenses) are not in from Youth National meet.
- 2005 JO with Indiana hearing regarding monies (\$35k) still pending. Indiana paid \$12,500. Illinois is taking legal action to obtain balance plus interest.

New Business:

- The Check-Free Corporation to donate to youth athletics. In March 2008, each youth chare and regional coordinator will attend a workshop to ensure that all are doing the same thing the same way.
- Conflict of Interest statement to be added to by-laws upon receipt of verbiage from national office and adoption by Executive committee.
- Illinois coaches who are interested in coaching the national team should submit resumes to the office.
- A handbook is being developed to provide instructions on starting and managing a track and field club.
- The position of Zone Rep is up for election at the national convention.
- National convention to be held in Hawaii during last week in November.

Committee Reports:

- Officials -Win Eggers
 1. Three nominees for official of the year (T Todd, Jill Grosssman)
 2. National Hall of Fame, 10 officials
 3. Need resumes for next Olympiad.
- LDR - Bob Geiger – Absent.
- Race Walking - Diane Henry-Graham
 1. 6 new officials.
 2. Held an one hour race-walk clinic this am at Proviso East.
 3. Jim received an honor by RW Committee.
 4. A junior RW received 3rd place at Pan Am Games.
 5. Working with youth (Elgin Sharks) at youth national and regional.
 6. RW'ers did well at (NACAC).
- Masters – Steve Cohen – Absent.
- Open – DeVaughn Benion – Absent.
- Coaching Education – Marchan Adkins – Absent
- Race Walk – Diane Graham-Henry
 1. Participated in the Junior Race Walk Camp with three (3) Elgin Sharks athletes.
 2. Illinois will host the Race Walk Camp in 2008.
 3. Illinois could possibly host Race Walk clinic.
- Youth – Marc Jones
 1. Four major meets this year. Thank you.
 2. Cross-country state meet will be held at Lake of the Woods in Mahomet, IL. Regional meet will be held in Terra Haute. Nationals will be held in Lawrence, Kansas.
 3. Illinois Zone meet will be held on February 16th.
 4. YNI will be held at Proviso West High School. Date TBD.
 5. Association meet in 2008 will be held on June 20 – 22 at Olivet Nazene University.
 6. Regional meet is July 10 – 13 probably at Vernon Hills.
- PrePaid Legal Presentation.

Results:

President:	Dorothy Dawson
VP Administration:	Brenda Kimbrough
VP Operations:	Art Pahl

Secretary:
Treasurer:

Lorette Cherry
Jess Gathing

Youth

Jess Gathing, Vice Chair
Marc Jones, Chair
Art Pahl, Operations
Paul Schaap
Billy Poole-Harris
Mary Watters
Kim George, Secretary
Darlene Simmons, Asst Secretary