

**SC Association Annual Meeting
September 11, 2011
Friarsgate Park – Irmo, SC**

Meeting was opened by Chris Kling, 2nd Vice President at 2:37pm. In attendance were the following:

NAME	DESIGNATION	VOTING
Cathy Koziel	Membership Chair/Official	OK
Tammi Dennis	Mt Pleasant Track Club	OK
Maxwell Hamlyn	Official	OK
Gloria Wright	Member	OK
Janie Milliam	Non-member	----
Katina Davis	Non-member	----
Jeremy Davis	Non-member	----
Jesiah Davis	Member (8yrs old)/Quick Striders	----
Kayla Davis	Member (7yrs old)/Quick Striders	----
Corvarius Hellams	Non-member	----
Joseph Floyd	Non-member	----
Bennae Floyd	Non-member	----
Corsteviano Smith	Non-member	----
Conrad Koziel	Official	OK
Harris Richardson	New member	OK
John Blackburn	Official	OK
Archie Ard	Official	OK
Anvis Cole	Rock Hill/ York County Club	----
Norman Venyah	Officials Chair/Official	OK
Matthew Hawkins	Carolina Rockets	OK
Debra Hawkins	Non-member	----
Jeff Jacobs	Myrtle Beach TFC	----
John Pederson	Myrtle Beach TFC	OK
Tim Huber	Non-member/City of MB	----
Pamela Dantzler	Member	OK
Fran McCarroll	Member	OK
Fred McCarroll	1 st Vice President	OK
Wm Lange	Member	OK
Valerie Jacobs	Secretary/Classics TC/ Official	OK
Christopher Kling	2 nd Vice President	OK
Linda Ellis	Treasurer/Pee Dee Elite TC	OK
Richard Kerns	Quick Striders TC	OK
Bennie H Jones, Sr.	Quick Striders TC	OK
James M Jacobs	Member/ Classics TC	OK
Daniel Stevenson	Member/ Classics TC	OK

35 present- Quorum met with 6 clubs present.

Introductions of the present Executive Board members were performed. Chris Kling announced what positions were vacant. C. Kling announced the resignation of Danny Brooks, President. Mr. Brooks resigned due to personal reasons.

Secretary's Report

Valerie Jacobs read the minutes from the last annual meeting in 2010. There was a correction of the minutes. The correction is that Chris Kling was nominated for 2nd Vice President by Linda Ellis and not Valerie Beesley. This was noted. C. Kling asked for a motion to accept the minutes with correction. John Blackburn moved to accept the minutes read with correction and Tammi Dennis seconded the motion.

Treasurer's Report

Linda Ellis read the treasurer's report that she handed out. Questions were raised concerning not making a profit from the Youth National Meet. John Pederson from Myrtle Beach explained that the number of athletes that was projected was 5000. However, only 2000 athletes participated in the meet. The City of Myrtle Beach took a loss of \$100,000.00 at the meet but, SC USATF did not take a loss stated by J Pederson. Norman Venyah asked the question of "why bid for national meets if we do not make any profit?" Linda explained that this is a great way to get a bid to host the JO meets. Hosting a JO meet is where you will make a good profit.

Tammi Dennis asked about their club's reimbursement for the JO meet in Kansas. L Ellis stated that she would look into their reimbursement. Cathy Koziel questioned a notation about a debit in July 2011 of \$135.00 for sanction & membership. She stated that this was not her debit. L Ellis stated that she would be clarifying this up during the meeting. L Ellis found the discrepancy; the debit should have been for the month of August 2011 not July 2011. Motioned was made by John Blackburn to accept the treasurer report as read with correction and seconded by Tammi Dennis.

Official Chair's Report

Norman Venyah stated the number of officials we have and the levels they are in. He also briefly summarized the requirements for upgrades. He also suggested that you go on the USATF SC website under officials and get the accurate information. N Venyah stated that Valerie Beesley, John Blackburn and Brian McCue make up the Officials Committee that vote on the approval of the upgrade requests. N Venyah suggested that you should always keep up with and document your officiating experience. There are forms on the website to keep up with this documentation. Jeff Jacobs stated that Coastal Carolina will be hosting an official's certification clinic during the weekend of the XC JO meet in Myrtle Beach. This will be good for those at the meet to get certification while there. N Venyah also stated that there are online certification courses.

Membership Chair's Report

Cathy Koziel gave the membership report and distributed a handout. Membership totals for 2011 are as follows: 1,744 members (1,309 youth 18 & under), 493 voting members. There are 49

clubs with 29 as youth the remainder are open, masters, or event clubs. Currently we have 36 sanctioned events. C Koziel stated that memberships were up due to the Nationals being in Myrtle Beach, SC.

L Ellis brought up that USATF is given a discount membership for XC. If you know an athlete will only do XC, they can get a membership for 2011 only for \$10. C Koziel stated that memberships purchased after Nov 1, 2011 will be good until 12/31/2012. C Koziel stated that clubs need to get their practice schedules in for XC as well as sanctioned events due to insurance purposes.

Youth Chair's Report

Linda Ellis gave her report stating that we had 950 athletes at our Association Championship meet this summer. L Ellis stated all went well except with the timers on the field events. They tied places in the events which were incorrect; this messed up the team scoring. We have a contract with this timer for another year. She stated that all kinks will be worked out in the future which will alleviate this issue. L Ellis stated that this year for XC we will not have an Association meet because we are hosting the national meet. Our association meet will be Region 16 meet (the weekend after high school state meet); the top 20 finishers will advance to the National meet. Because of this there cannot be a bye for high school athletes. T Dennis stated that they can't register their high school athletes until after the high school state meet. This will be after the deadline to register athletes for the meet. L Ellis she will work with clubs to register the athletes.

Unfinished Business

Masters Chair position: Jim Roberts from Greenville Track Club has volunteered to be chair. C Kling will get his info.

New Business

A. National Annual Meeting

John Blackburn stated that he wished to attend the upcoming National Annual Meeting in St Louis, MO as a representative of SC. He will be there also as the National Rules Chair. L Ellis asked if National was paying any of his expenses. He stated that they paid everything but his registration. Archie Ard also stated that he wanted to attend to represent SC as an official or general body. J Blackburn stated the SC Association can have up to 13 votes at the meeting and has been poorly represented in the past. He encouraged people to attend the meeting.

John Pederson (Myrtle Beach) talked about the youth track and field meets this summer in Myrtle Beach, SC. He thanked everyone again for their work. He discussed some aspects of the upcoming XC regional and national meets in Myrtle Beach. Tim Huber (Myrtle Beach) talked about the opening ceremony. T Huber stated the opening ceremony will be held at the Sheraton Hotel (host hotel) on Friday. He also stated that they were planning some activities for the athletes during the weekend. N Venyah stated that the officials selection is ongoing for the National XC meet, the deadline to submit your application is Oct. 1, 2011.

B. Awards

Linda Ellis and Christopher Kling presented our National Champions with their awards. Kayla Davis (Quick Striders) SBG – 1st place in the 100m and 2nd place in the 200m. She was awarded a USATF Championship backpack with her name monogrammed on it. Kyle Watkins (Myrtle Beach) SBB – 1st place in the 400m, 800m and 4th in LJ was also awarded a monogrammed USATF Championship backpack.

Special Election

President – Christopher Kling was nominated by Linda Ellis and seconded by Cathy Koziel. Archie Ard made a motion to close nominations and to accept the nomination by acclamation. All agreed. Christopher Kling is our new President.

2nd Vice-President – Tammi Dennis nominated Tim Tyler, seconded by Cathy Koziel. Linda Ellis nominated Perry Funnie, seconded by Archie Ard. John Blackburn moved for the nominations to close and seconded by Norman Venyah.

Ballots were handed out as Cathy Koziel OK'd the members off of the attendance sheet. Both candidates' names were written on the board as well as the nominators speaking in their behalf. The ballot committee that tallied the ballots was John Blackburn, Archie Ard(official) and Daniel Stevenson(youth). The votes were as follows, Tim Tyler – 12, Perry Funnie – 10. Tim Tyler is the new 2nd Vice-President. J Blackburn motioned for the ballots to be destroyed and seconded by Christopher Kling.

N Venyah asked about the volunteers for the upcoming XC meets. L Ellis stated that she and C Kling will handle it by contacting the Myrtle Beach High ROTC and clubs.

J Blackburn motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by C Koziel. Meeting adjourned at 4:06pm.

Respectively Submitted by

Valerie Jacobs

Secretary

President Signature: _____ Date: _____

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