

# *Association of Track Officials of Michigan*

Minutes of January 29, 2016  
Association of Track Officials of Michigan  
Clare, MI

MEMBERS PRESENT: There were 27 members present for this meeting.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: The meeting on January 29, 2016 was at 7:30 p.m., not 10:00 a.m. as stated in the December minutes. The minutes for December were approved after meeting time correction was made.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Nothing to report, but welcomed everyone to the meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The treasurer's report for January was approved. At the time of the meeting, we had 190 memberships for 2016 and 79 registered for the clinic.

ATOM NEWSLETTER: Tom was not present for this meeting.

WEBMASTER: George reported the current number of visitors is at 12, 682 as of Tuesday afternoon, January 26, 2016. An increase of 207 visits since the December 13th meeting. The following updates have been made: 1. Posted available dates for the 2016 MHSAA On-Line Track and Field Rules Meeting 2. Posted on the "Rules Clarifications" page a multi-page document from the National Federation of State High Schools (NFHS) of Track and Field Pre-Meet Notes of 2016, including a review of 2016-2017 Rule Changes 3. Posted minutes of the Executive Board Meeting held on November 15, 2015, 4. Notice of the above postings on both the ATOM Facebook page and the ATOM Twitter page.

1<sup>st</sup> VICE-PRESIDENT: Lynn reported that meeting dates for 16-17 were reserved. The Spartan Cafe is reserved for the June meeting.

2<sup>nd</sup> VICE-PRESIDENT: no report

## REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORTS:

ZONE 1: Al reported things are going well and he is working on scheduling meets.

ZONE 2: Lynn said he emails all zone members our board minutes and any information he receives. The indoor meet at U of M was very busy with approximately 1500 runners in attendance. The two-day State Finals will be at Aquinas.

ZONE 3: Darlene and Geri were not present for this meeting.

ZONE 4: Dan reported scheduling for the spring is going well.

ZONE 5: Kathy reported scheduling for the spring is going well.

ZONE 6: Lew reported Michiana Timing wants to schools to not schedule all meets on the same day as they don't have enough crews to cover all the meets. Scheduling for Zone 6 is very active.

ZONE 7: Gordie reported that because Zone 7 is so big, it's difficult when scheduling meets. He needs schools to change meet days to get officials.

ZONE 8: John reported all is quiet in the U.P. He has emailed all the U.P. track officials, but has not received one reply.

USATF: Eric reported there will be a Level 1 training clinic on Saturday, March 26th, from 9:00-4:30 at MSU. Contact Eric to register.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

Constitution: Proposed changes have to be in the hands of members 30 days prior to vote. The Savings Clause will allow us to change this policy and allow the membership to vote on the constitutional changes proposed at the general membership meeting the morning of the clinic. We will need a two-thirds majority for changes to pass.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

Lynn referred to Eric: Eric wants to do away with start lines for two-turn staggers. For 800 meters, go to a one-turn stagger, and for the 1600 & 3200 meters, go to a waterfall start.

Lynn summarized the clinic sessions available for the next day.

The next ATOM meeting will be March 13, 2016, at the MHSAA Building in East Lansing at 10:00 a.m.

Future ATOM meeting dates: April 17, September 11, November 13, and December 11, 2016, all at 10:00 a.m. at the MHSAA Building. October 9, 2016, will be the Past Presidents' meeting. Past Presidents will meet at 9:30 a.m. and the regular board meeting will be at 10:30 a.m. at the MHSAA Building.

Meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

Minutes taken by Kathy Hutfilz

Submitted by Jill Sandro.