

USATF Ozark Association Officials Committee 2023 Annual Meeting Minutes

September 10, 2023

The USATF Ozark Association Officials Committee Annual Meeting on September 10, 2023 was held at the University City Library. The meeting was chaired and called to order at 1:45 p.m. by Ed Rowold. Eleven members were in attendance of 34 (need 50% for a quorum).

The agenda was approved, and the minutes of the March 26, 2023 meeting were approved. A list was distributed of the 15 individuals who received USATF Ozark Officials Committee Outstanding Service awards for 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022.

Eileen Morris, Treasurer, reported an ending balance as of March 26, 2023 of \$1659.65. Income reported was \$0. Expenses were \$436.24. The balance as of September 10, 2023 is \$1,223.41.

Eileen Morris, Certification Chair, reported that we currently have 34 officials certified 3-step (14 Master, 10 National, 6 Association, and 4 Apprentice). Another eleven formerly certified officials have at least one requirement pending.

Ed Rowold commented on the operating procedures for the USATF Ozark Officials Committee. They were formatted with the USATF Association Bylaws template on September 29, 2019. The Covid-19 pandemic delayed approval by our officials committee. Further change recommendations were made September 20, 2022. The USATF National Office has mandated several changes for all Association Bylaws in 2023. More changes are needed to align our operating procedures, are being made, and will be submitted for review to be approved at our 2024 USATF Ozark Association Officials Committee Midyear meeting.

Old business included some meets in 2023 that were worked by Ozark Officials:

- USATF Association Open & Masters Outdoor Track & Field Championships held June 24th at Parkway Central HS
- USATF Region 9 JO Outdoor T&F Championships held July 6-9 at Arkansas State University (Jonesboro, AR)

New business included some meets needing Ozark Officials:

- USATF Ozark Association Open and Masters LDR Championships TBA
- USATF Ozark Association Open and Masters Cross Country Championships TBA
- USATF Ozark Association JO Cross Country TBA
- Indoor Track & Field season @ Principia College December 2023 through February 2024
- USATF National JO Outdoor Track & Field Championships at College Station, Texas on July 22-28 in 2024

Our \$20 annual dues had been suspended during the Covid-19 pandemic. After discussion a motion was made by Peggy Rowold and seconded by Sam Douglas, then unanimously approved to collect dues for 2024 and keep the dues at \$20.

There was no action taken on a March 26, 2023 recommendation to change our quorum to a minimum of 10 members present. The reason is that the new version of USATF Associations Bylaws will require all committee meetings, except Executive Committee meetings, to have a Quorum defined as a minimum of 15 eligible voting members.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Ed Rowold, Secretary pro tem