

**2019 USATF Pre-Annual Meeting
Masters Track & Field Committee Conference Call
Nov 20, 2019**

Attendees:

Rex Harvey, Chair	Jerry Bookin-Weiner, Vice Chair
Amanda Scotti, Secretary	Carroll DeWeese, Treasurer
Latashia Key, Active Athlete Representative	Sandy Triolo, Communications Subcommittee Chair
Mike Travers, East Region MTF Coord	Bill Murray, SE Region MTF Coord
George Mathews, NW Region MTF Coord	Mark Cleary, West Region MTF Coord
Jim Weed, Mid America Region MTF Coord	Robert Thomas, Midwest Region MTF Coord
Bob Weiner, Chair appointee to the Exec. Committee Committee	Sandy Pashkin, Chair appointee to the Exec. Committee

Meeting Opened by Rex Harvey at 9:03pm EST

Stated purpose of the call was to go over the Annual Meeting agenda and get input.

Main topics of the Conference Call:

-Operating procedural changes that would going forward allow enough Active Athletes to vote so that the selection of Active Athlete delegates could be avoided.

- MTF will be required to have a parliamentarian at their meetings, Rex intends to ask Jim Pearce
- The MTF meetings will need to adhere to the rules of conduct.
- At the annual meeting, the chair will ask the committee's approval to address agenda items out of the order given.

-Written requests for active athlete delegates will be displayed at the first MTF General Session with a name and corresponding number for voting purposes. The form to submit names has not yet gone out via social media. It is on the website but to date, the secretary has received no forms. The MTF Communications Subcommittee chair, Sandy Triolo, was asked to make a special post on social media addressing the need to get the forms turned in as early as possible and provide a link to the form. For the voting, it is unclear at this time whether there will be oversight from the Administrative Services Committee.

- When it is time to vote for an Active Athlete Representative, the Chair or Vice Chair will run that portion of the meeting. Nominations will be taken, nominees will be given three minutes to speak and take questions before a vote. Any active athletes present may vote on this position.
- The Chair has five at-large voting members to appoint, and will likely save some of the appointments to accommodate those who have no other way of obtaining voting privileges.

- Discussions will be held regarding By Laws and Operating Regulations amendments that apply to masters. Those topics will be pre-prepared by the Vice Chair and/or Chair. The L&L representative may be in the room to present this; that is unclear at this time.

-The new proposed MTF Operating Procedures have been sent to everyone on the call. Comments were requested.

-MTF Treasurer, Carroll Deweese, will be stepping away from the position at the end of the calendar year. Mike Travers will be appointed to take his place then. Carroll is asking the National Office for clean start, keeping the carryover accrued and dismissing any past debts. This puts MTF in a better position financially going forward. Rex asked Mike to stay on top of individual budgets so members know where they stand.

-Subcommittee Reports

The Anti-doping Subcommittee Chair cannot attend, a substitute may be asked to report
Any Chairs present will be asked to present their reports, which will also be displayed on the screen.
Sandy Pashkin will go to the Records Committee meeting and can report for that subcommittee.

-Appointed Positions Reports

Those Committee heads present will be asked to report.

-Robert Thomas will speak to upcoming meets, bids for 2022 indoor and outdoor championships will be presented.

-Old business

- Elizabeth Guarneri will speak regarding uniforms for Toronto, she is optimistic that we will have enough. If running short, date of entry will be considered as to who receives a uniform. The team short-sleeve shirts have been reserved for use as uniforms and the London uniform will be acceptable completion wear. It is preferable to wear the blue uniform in finals.
- Morris Williams has made a proposal to allow only club members to score points at Championship meets. This will be presented and discussed.

-New business

- Club Awards for Men/Women/Combined. Discussion will take place re if awards should/will go three deep for each category. Sandy Pashkin pointed out that the larger clubs may see a lot of duplication.
- International Services Charges. When registering for the WMA Outdoor meet US athletes will pay a \$10 fee that will come back to MTF and MLDR to pay for a pin, and the two US athlete parties. The pins and party information, including dates, will be included in the US athletes' packets. The parties will be held at one of the US host-hotels
- Also upon registering the US athletes will have an option to purchase various physiotherapy options. There are a variety of prices and options offered. Athletes have to pay upon registration or opt out. These services will not be available for purchase at the meet. Robert Thomas reported that to date, MTF is looking to fund the travel of 16 physio team members, enough to have 2 trainers, 2 massage therapists, and 1 chiro at each venue. Plus a team medical doctor. These numbers are dependent upon the number of US athletes who pay for the services and may change based on the final numbers.
- Regarding transgender athletes, WMA currently does not have an official policy but it is being worked on.
- Several international athletes will now compete for the USA as they have met the requirements to do so. Sandy Pashkin asked the Chair to provide a list to her so that upon registration there are no problems.
- The new website. At this time it appears to be inadequate for the needs of MTF. Much needed information is missing, inaccurate or misleading. There is a process to submit change requests, and problems should be pointed out to the Chair and Vice Chair.

-Call ended at 10:25 EST

The following was emailed to those on the call prior to the Conference call:

Annual Meeting Agenda

Call the Committee Meeting to order (Rex)

Appoint Parliamentarian (Jim Pearce)

Read and Display rules of conduct of business: (Jim Pearce)

- To change Rules of Debate (2/3rds required)
- Two minutes maximum debate per person
- Person may speak a second time only after everyone else
- Alternate for and against motions
- Debate is limited to 20 minutes on any motion
- Can be extended with 2/3rds vote

Display and Roll call of Officers, Association Delegates, and other authorized Committee members as detailed in Section VI of these Operating Procedures to create voting list. (Secretary)

Secretary to read and display the numbered names of athletes submitting a valid written application to be designated as Active Athletes. (Secretary)

Verify the Active Athletes by a majority vote. (Committee)

Those AA members shall determine their Representative to the MTF Executive Committee by a process of nominations, seconds, and acceptance. 3 minutes presentation each with 3 minutes of questions also. Secret ballot. Designate two non-active athlete members to distribute, collect, and tabulate the ballots with possible help of the Administrative Services Committee.

The Chair shall select up to five (5) at-large voting members of the MTF Committee.

Display minutes of preceding meeting and vote approval (Rex)

Display, discussion and voting on proposed amendments of: (Rex)

- Bylaws:
- Regulations:
- Competition Rules:
- MTF Operating Procedures.

Reports of officers (verbal and/or display)

- Chair (Rex)
- Vice-Chair (Jerry)
- Secretary (Amanda)
- Treasurer (Carroll, Mike Travers)

Reports of the Regional Coordinators

- East (Mike Travers)
- MidAmerica (Jim Weed)
- Midwest (Robert Thomas)
- Northwest (George Mathews)
- Southeast (Bill Murray)
- Southwest (Lester Mount)
- West Mark Cleary

Reports of the standing subcommittees.

- Anti-doping (Cheryl Bellaire, Marilyn Mitchell)
- Awards (Rachel Guest)
- Budget (Carroll, Sara Reese, Elizabeth Garneri)
Expense reimbursements (Sara Reese, Elizabeth Guarneri)
- Communication (Sandy Triolo, Bob Weiner)
- Combined Events (Bill Murray)
- Exhibition Events (Linda Carty)
- Games (Jim Flanik)
- Hall of Fame (Mark Cleary)
- Inclusion (Geo Melichar)
- Racewak (Jo Burrows)
- Rankings (Roger Vergin)
- Records (Jeff Brower)
- Throws (Sue Hallen)

Reports of appointed positions as appropriate.

- Hall of Fame Make-Up Class (Marilyn Mitchell)
- Historical (Jeff Davidson, Ken Stone)
- Club Ethics (Jim Pearce)

Reports of prior National Championships. (Ames LOC)

Reports of future National Championships. (Robert Thomas)

Championship Site selection. (Robert Thomas)

- Friday Morning: 15 minutes for Louisville new indoor facility presentation.
- Saturday Morning: Indoor Bids Spokane 2022
- Saturday Afternoon: Outdoor Bids Louisville 2022

Old business:

- International uniforms issues (Rex, Elizabeth Guarneri)
- Proposal to allow only club members to score in MTF Championships (Rex &??)

New business:

- Possibility of separate M & W club awards. (Rex, Mark Cleary)
- International Athlete Services Charge (Rex, Jerry, Robert Thomas, Phil Greenwald)
- Transgender athletes.

Announce Transfers to Team USATF Masters:

- Deaneth Edwards
- Marsha Baird
- Inga McIntyre
- Neringa Jakstiene
- Grace Liang
- Vitaly Stepanov

Announce date, place, and time of special meetings and the next annual meeting.

Adjourn