2019 MTF Treasurer Report

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I cannot give a full accounting of all MTF expenses in 2019. USATF has not provided me with any ledgers since the Spring. All events billed directly though or paid directly by USATF since last Spring are not on MTF books. This includes travel, hotel, drug testing, and related expenses for the MTF Outdoor, WMA Toronto, and other events. I was not able to close MTF books for the end-of-years 2017 and 2018 due to USATF not getting back to me with needed changes and corrections. I do not know what the status will be at the end of 2019, but I am advocating that USATF start afresh with MTF books with a zero balance except for the following designated savings accounts:

- 302-00-086-09 Donations $12,485.00
- 30011 Pole Vault Contributions 10,666.49
- 30011 Contributions Sub-Grant Program 2,800.00

Total MTF Savings $25,951.49

I am planning on resigning in December after the Annual Meeting and after having served as MTF Treasurer for 11 years. I have gone through three different USATF Chief Financial Officers, many accounting and procedure changes, and more. During my service the USATF direct support for MTF and MTF independent funding has increased about 700% compared to when I started in the position. USATF has increased the MTF budget, provided uniforms and other in-kind support, and more. MTF has independently gotten WMA athlete support for travel and medals, as well as other contributions and funding.

I am hoping with my leaving that everything can start fresh from the current position and MTF can proceed on its path of growth, starting with a new and clean set of accounting and books. Personally, I cannot keep up the load with my responsibilities with World Para Athletics, World Masters Athletics, and officiating for USATF and NCAA, and City Commissioner in my city. In the past year, I have had Mike Travers shadowing some of my activities as Treasurer so that he can transition and start anew as MTF Treasurer. At times, the MTF Treasurer is the equivalent of a fulltime position. I plan to resign after the Annual Meeting so that the MTF Chair can make the appointment for a person to serve the remaining one year of my term as Treasurer.

The Treasurer’s budget for 2019 was $4,000. I have currently spent $313.68 as Treasurer. I spent more for supplies, etc. but I never asked for reimbursement. I have spent other money as Games Committee or some other capacity. With shipping costs for sending files to the new Treasurer, new software for the new Treasurer, possible having to travel to meet with the new Treasurer, and Annual Meeting expenses, the costs could jump dramatically but should stay within the Treasurer’s budget. The new Treasurer will need to buy software, supplies for printer/scanner, postage supplies, a possible file cabinet, and will incur higher travel costs than I had under my Treasurer Budget. My travel to the MTF Indoor and Outdoor Championships was covered under Games Committee expenses. It would also be helpful if the Treasurer had the budget and was included in trips involving the MTF Chair to meeting with USATF. This would be an opportunity to meet with USATF Financial Staff to get ledgers, etc., and to hopefully straighten out differences between USATF and MTF books.