

2012 USATF Georgia Association Annual Meeting
Hyatt Regency Atlanta, Atlanta, GA
August 25, 2012 – 9:00 a.m.

- **Meeting as called to order at 9:14 a.m.**
- **Open Session:** President Dube introduced the USATF Board of Directors. He acknowledged Kerri Betts-Henry as acting Secretary in place of Marlene Atwood and Jacquelyn Anthony as acting Parliamentarian. President Dube welcomed all guest and acknowledged the association's growth and development on the local and national level.
- **President's Awards:** President Dube recognized all recipients. Two (2) out of eight (8) recipients were present. Awards were presented to Vernika Reeves, 2nd VP Communications, Pamela Hudson, By-Laws Review Chair.
- **Keynote Speaker – John Bevilaqua**
Mr. Bevilaqua shared a PowerPoint presentation of the new LakePoint Sports complex in Bartow County. It is a dream athletic facility scheduled to open in 2013. The facility will accommodate various sports including baseball, soccer, cheerleading, volleyball, track and field, etc. There will also be housing, shopping and entertainment. Mr. Bevilaqua mentioned that he is hopeful that this facility will be the site for the 2016 Olympic Trials. He opened the floor for Q&A, during which he was ask to address accommodations for track & field such as warm-up tracks, doping and housing.
- **Approval of Minutes – Annual Meeting – August 27, 2011.** Motion was made by Jacqui Collins to accept the minutes submitted; Seconded by Matthew Chestnut. All In favor – 29; Oppose – 0; Abstentions – (check Jacquelyn's notes) (motion carries)
- **USATF Georgia Bylaws – Proposed Review**
Motion was made by Dexter McCloud to remove tabled item from 2011; Seconded by Matthew Chestnut. All In favor – 21; Oppose – 0; Abstentions – 0 (motion carries)

Pamela Hudson, Committee Chair proceeded to present revisions to the current Bylaws. Changes to the 2012 bylaws will be accepted as a packet. The following changes were proposed:

- Dissolution of the executive committee -strike executive committee where listed throughout bylaws.
- name each position individually
- Written notice by way of electronic notification, which would allow notification via email to be acceptable.

- Failure to renew membership by 1/31/2012 in accordance with Article 5E. Revise to remove “immediate removal.”
- Nominations, Article 7 – “Good Standing” requirement, remove “twice-nominated” prohibition
- Article 9 - Remove prohibition on governing body “dual participation”. Unduly restrictive, Allow voters to weigh in.
- Article 10 – Revised to limit voting to one vote regardless of number of positions held
- Article 11 – Remove requirement that Athlete Advisory Chair be an active athlete.
- Article 12 – Open for revision
- Article 16(D) – Change “may” to “shall”
- Article 20 – Allows for amendments to Operating Procedures, has budgetary implications.

Motion was made by Dexter McCloud to Adopt proposed revisions to 2012 Bylaws packet; Seconded by Matthew Chestnut.

Motion was made by Inez Finch to vote by ballot; Seconded by Bob Brier. All In favor - 26, Oppose – 7, Abstain – 2 (motion carries)

Motion to accept or refuse Bylaws packet. Voting members present: 46.

All In favor(yes) – 27, Oppose(no) – 17

44 ballots cast (motion failed. 2/3 vote needed to pass)

Motion was made by Dexter McCloud to vote on changes by Article; seconded by Jaqui Collins

All In favor - 18, Oppose – 17, Abstain – 2 (motion failed. 2/3 vote needed to carry)

- **Special Election – Interim Treasurer.**

Tricia Jenkins presented her background in accounting. She holds a Bachelor’s in Accounting from KSU and is currently pursuing her Masters. It was explained that the current Treasurer resigned.

Motion was made to close nominations. All In favor – 33, Opposed – 1, Abstentions – 0 (motion carries)

Motion to accept Tricia Jenkins as Treasure made by Jean Hartleb; Seconded by Inez Finch.

All In favor – 32, Oppose – 1, Abstentions – 0 (motion carries)

- **Club Registration** – Inez Finch. Online registration is scheduled to be available Nov 1, 2012.
- **Meeting Adjournment:** (I do not recall that a motion was made to adjourn) we dismissed and went to the Committee Breakout Sessions at 11:07 a.m.

Minutes scribed by Kerri Betz-Henry
On behalf of
Marlene Atwood
USATF Georgia Association Secretary