

2017 YOUTH ANNUAL MEETING REPORT

On November 29, 2017 there was a Youth Workshop and the theme was “Back to Basics”. We were introduced to the Youth National Committee members, Youth Chairs, Regional Coordinators and National Office Staff.

There was a review of the Chain of Command, Review of the 2018 calendar, an \$2 entry fee restructure and the Training & Development Manual, Roles and Responsibilities, Review of Rule 300s, how to host a successful meet with a checklist, youth records and Coach Credentials.

Dr. Robert Watts was our guest speaker during our lunch and we walked away with the theme of Rejoice and Stay Positive.

There was an emphasis on consistency on all levels of competition.

We reviewed recruiting Officials and Volunteers. Given a goal of reaching new membership numbers in each association, getting sponsorship and utilizing Social Media.

We are being held accountable of checking Coaches Safe Sports and Background Screening.

There was a presentation on the USATF Youth Cross Country Camp, Athletic.net and Run, Jump, Throw.

The 2018 USATF National Junior Olympic Cross County Championship will be held in Tallahassee, FL. On December 9, 2017, 2018 Youth Calendar was presented. There will be no Zone meets to qualify for the 2018 USATF Hershey Youth Indoor Championships being held at the Ocean Breeze Athletic Complex, Staten Island, NY, 2018 USATF National Youth Outdoor Championships will be held College at Bockport, Rochester, NY on June 26 – July 1, 2018 and the 2018 National Championships will be held July 23 – July 29, 2018 in Greensboro, NC.

There was a vote for the following: the 2019 Junior Olympic Cross Country meet will be held in Madison, WI, the 2019 Outdoor Youth meet will be held in Durham, NC.

The 2019 Hershey Junior Olympics Youth Track & Field meet will be held in Sacramento, CA

Rules 144.3, 170.3 and 180.11 (Youth exception) were passed.

Sarah Austin with the Legal National Office reviewed Safe Sports, Split Locations, Waivers and Volunteers.

Every Association should have a Code of Ethics and Conflict of Interest given to all its Clubs.

There was a review of Protest Forms and the process of filing a protest.

The Ethics Committee reported on Ethics Rights and Violations, Grievances, Conflict of Interest and Codes of Conduct.

The Vin Lananna spoke and challenged us to make the 2021 World Outdoor and 2028 Olympics the best ever.

We held Zone Representative and Alternate Zone Representative elections.