## **USATF 2014 Annual Meeting**

## December 2-5, Anaheim California

This year meeting started off with a Bang, with CEO Max Siegel announcing that the operating budget has grown from 17million to 34 million and as well as everyone's operating budget was honored and then some for each and every committee. With that being said the Masters Track and Field committee budget was increase by \$20,000 and as well as free Team gear any athlete representing and participates in any International Competition to wear at the meet. The Master Budget report for 2014 is reported in detail in **Item 1A**. The 2015 Master projected report and budget line changes from 2014 to 2015 are in detail in **Item 1B**. This budget was approved by the states delegates. This year was the last year that LDR and Master T&F will have combine meeting at the convention, both party agreed it was best in order to move forward in our sport.

We had bids for Masters Indoors and Outdoors Championship for 2017. Their where bibs from North Carolina and Albuquerque it was a close vote with Albuquerque winning 28 to North Carline 26 votes. The Outdoor Championship was a lot easier with only one bidder being Baton Rouge; the greatest concern was the heat and how was it going to be dealt with. The organizers did a great job in satisfying all their concerns about heat and award them the bid for 2017 Outdoors Championship.

The special invites events for masters at the USATF Championships Indoors and Outdoors have been selected for the indoors it will be women 60m dash and 1500m run for men, for the outdoors the event select was the 3k for women and men. Information will be posted online in order for you to know how to register if you meet the qualification to enter into the event.

We had great media coverage everyday by paper and TV at the Master Outdoor Championship in Winston-Salem. We offer for the first time, we offered grant money for first time participants at the Master Championship we had seventy-five appreciations and fifty grants where given from the \$5000 dollar available grant money. This is something we plan to try again this year (2015) for first timers at any Master National Championship in 2015 in order to help keep building the sport. This year championships will be in Indoors Winston-Salem NC March 20-22, 2015 and Outdoors in Jacksonville, Fl. July 23-26, 2015. The World Master will be in Lyon, France Aug 4-16, 2015.

The Master Track and Field records reported that where accepted and rejected for 2015 for the Indoors and Outdoor season are listed on **Item 2A-2D**. The Masters Female Athlete and

Master Award Winner of the Master Athlete of the Year is Irene Obera which is presented at the Jesse Owens awards banquet here at the annual meeting. The Master Male Athlete of the Year is Robert Hewitt more information about their great season can be found on **Item 3A**. We also have each age group winners for the female and male that can be found on **Item 4A**. For FYI the 30-39 age groups will have it on section in 2015 female and male.

Last but not less the Master Chair Gary Snyder was award the David Pain Service Award congratulation to him for more detail **Item 5A**. The Master alaezon Latashia Key

Respectively submitted

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