

DELEGATE REPORT FOR THE NATIONAL OFFICIALS COMMITTEE

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From: Scott Rose, Ohio Association Delegate to the 2013 USATF Annual Meeting

During this year's Annual Meeting in Indianapolis, Indiana, I was able to attend two meetings of the National Officials Committee (NOC) including one of the four Officials Training Clinics. This report will be a compilation of the two meeting and the clinic. I attended the

- Officials General Session No. 1 on Friday, December 6
- Officials Clinic ~ Officiating an IAAF World Championship on Friday December 6
- Officials General Session No. 2 on Saturday, December 7

The chair, Len Krsak, opened the session of the National Officials Committee with the reports from the secretary and treasurer, both available on line on the [Officials webpage](#). The reports were approved.

The Oregon/Tracktown Contingency spoke to the group about their excitement to host the USA Junior Championships, the IAAF World Junior Championships and the 2016 IAAF Indoor Championships in Portland. They pledge to continue to bring major track and field competition to Oregon.

The NOC bylaws changes were presented with a short discuss. The changes, which were approved, will modify the election/selection of representatives to the Board and modify the notification procedures and the definition of a quorum.

Gordon Bock presented the finalist for the several NOC Awards. Three are to be inducted into the Hall of Fame, Gene Edmonds of Indiana, Ed Koch of New Jersey and Gary Westerfield of Long Island.

Mark Kostek presented an update on rule changes. Of importance is the NCAA requirement for collars around the pole vault box. The collar must meet specific ASTM standards. There are three suppliers that can provide the ASTM approved collar, Gill, MF VS Athletics.

Jimmy Stewart reported that the selection committee received 454 applications to work the three national championships (Indoor, Senior Outdoor, Junior Outdoor) and the IAAF World Junior Championships. The selection committee rejected 21 applications for being incomplete. The Ohio Association had 14 officials selected to work one or more of the championships.

The Chair announced there is grant money for officials under the age of 40 to work the Youth National Meets. There is a limited amount of funds available so grant request should be submitted soon. The money is to encourage and support the younger officials who are typically short of funds or time off from their jobs.

The last major topic was presented by Bob Podkaminer. The USATF Officials Committee is in early discussion with the NCAA for the certification and supplying officials for the NCAA National Championships. With the help of Arbiter, training programs will be developed and officials certified. This will not impact any conference of local meet unless the school would ask for assistance. Again, the committee is very early in negotiations.