

**USA Track & Field New England  
Hilton Garden Inn, Waltham, MA  
Annual Meeting Minutes  
September 23, 2012**

Present: *See sign in sheet attached*

President Stephen Viegas opened the meeting at 4:11 PM

Vice President John Oleski made a presentation of the 2011-2012 Athletes of the Month

Kasie Enman	September 2011
Heather Cappello	October 2011
Tim Ritchie	November 2011
Waltham Track Club	December 2011
Adrienne Thornton	January 2012
Carla Forbes	February 2012
Carl Wallin	March 2012
Sheri Piers	April 2012
Matt Pelletier	May 2012
Abbey D'Agostino	June 2012
Jordan Samuels	July 2012
Buzz Gagne	August 2012

**President's Comments:**

President Stephen Viegas began his remarks by thanking the BOG members for their work this past year. He had high praise for the Managing Director Steve Vaitones.

He then made brief remarks, noting that among USATF associations, New England was consistently in the top 5 and was recognized at the recent Associations Workshop in Pittsburgh PA. He explained that he had two major observations from the past year:

1. The New England Association is one of the most outstanding in USATF.
2. The level of hostility amongst BOG members is too high.

Steve explained the election process and that Joan Bohlke would preside over the presidential election. Also the three independent ballot counters were Justin Kuo, Skip Cleaver and Robert Cedrone.

**Managing Directors Report**

Looking back Steve Vaitones reported that the association won an award for 2012 as one of the best in the country.

The Association offered a Level 1 Coaches Clinic.

Initiated background checks for all BOG members.

Reporting on the present he said it was a problem running the Association this year when a number of the BOG members resigned leaving vacant sports chairs.

The Association was awarded a grant from the National Office to conduct scholastic hammer throw clinics.

The Association issued the highest total of event Sanctions of all USATF Associations.

It's difficult to recruit new members especially youth who have other athletic choices.

The Association needs to recruit younger Officials because the current group is aging and the long hours spent officiating at events is difficult.

### **Treasurers Report:**

Stephen Peckiconis said copies of the financial reports were placed on the table outside the room. He explained the association had \$450K in the bank. Sanction revenue was about \$58K. All programs make money.

### **Chairs Report:**

All reports are written and on line at the association website.

**Old Business:** Steve called for old business there was none.

### **New Business:**

The first order of new business was the association elections.

### **President:**

Steve Viegas and Tom Dederian were nominated and seconded by the membership.

Tom Dederian 83

Steve Viegas 69

Tom Dederian elected president, but Steve Viegas stayed on to finish running the meeting. Steve will also hold a seat on the board for as long as Tom is president.

### **Vice President (3)**

Jim Garcia, John Oleski and Victoria Barnaby were nominated and seconded by the membership and elected by acclamation from a motion from the membership.

## **Secretary**

Gary Snyder and Eric Narcisi were nominated and seconded by the membership.

Eric Narcisi 106

Gary Snyder 39

At Gary Snyder's request Eric Narcisi, began taking meeting minutes. Everything written up to this point was submitted by Gary Snyder. The rest of the minutes (from this point forward) were submitted by Eric Narcisi.

## **Treasurer**

Stephen Peckiconis was nominated and seconded by the membership and elected by acclamation from a motion from the membership.

**Sports Chairs** (1 year term): all chair candidates were unopposed. They were nominated and seconded by the membership and elected by acclamation from a motion from the membership.

**Men's LDR** - Gary Circosta (GBTC)

**Women's LDR** - Lisa Doucett (CSU)

**Masters' LDR** - Joe Navas (Whirlaway)

**Open T&F** - Yvonne Green (NBB)

**Masters' T&F** - Mike Travers (MassVelocity)

**XC** - Jason Cakouros (HFC)

**Mtn/Ultra/Trail Running** - Paul Kirsch (White Mtn Milers)

**Racewalking** - Justin Kuo (NEW)

**Youth Athletics** - Leigh Petranoff (Turbojav AC)

## **Athlete Representatives**

The following candidates were nominated and seconded for the three athlete rep positions (along with vote count):

Jason Ayr (WMDP) – 74

Will Feldman (GBTC) – 63

Jim Burgoyne (Twilight Throwers) – 62

Reno Stirrat (Whirlaway) – 52

Dan Kramer (NBB) – 35

Will Feldman, Jason Ayr, and Jim Burgoyne elected as athlete reps.

### **National Convention/Annual Meeting Delegates**

The following candidates were nominated and seconded. The list also includes vote counts and percentage of ballots that a candidate appeared on.

. Dave Dunham	67	85%
. Jim Garcia	65	82%
. Will Feldman	64	81%
. Steve Vaitones	62	78%
. Paul Kirsch	61	77%
. John Oleski	57	72%
. Stephen Peckiconis	56	71%
. Mike Travers	56	71%
. Laurie Boemker	54	68%
. David Kerin	52	66%
. Justin Kuo	52	66%
. Tom Derderian	52	66%
. Carla Coffey	51	65%
. Leigh Petranoff	50	63%
. Victoria Barnaby	43	54%
. Gary Snyder	37	47%
. Eric Narcisi	30	38%
. Stephen Viegas	22	28%
. Gary Circosta	16	20%

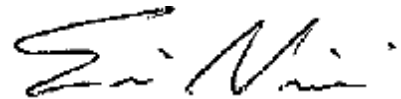
. Caleb Evanter	2	3%
. Mark McDermott	1	1%
. Joe O'Leary	1	1%
. Jeff Silveira	1	1%

The voting took place at the meeting but wasn't counted until the next day. The New England Association can send up to 16 delegates, but must have the required number of coaches and athletes included in that number. The top 16 vote getters here, which includes Dave Dunham (67 votes) down through Gary Snyder (37 votes), meet the requirement for numbers of coaches and athletes.

The meeting adjourned after the ballots were collected and it was determined that there was no more business to discuss.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm (attendance list on the following pages).

Respectfully submitted,



Eric Narcisi

**Boston Athletic Association**

Karen Ringheiser  
Timothy Ritchie  
Suzanne Walmsley

**Cambridge Sports Union**

Lisa Doucett  
Joe Fischetti  
Gordon MacFarland  
Stephen Peckiconis  
Jon Waldron

**Central Mass Striders**

Dave Dunham  
Kevin Gorman  
David Lapierre  
James Pawlicki  
Kevin Tilton

**Emerging Elites**

Frederick Treseler

**Falmouth Track Club**

Courtney Bird

**Gate City Striders**

Skip Cleaver  
Oliver McMahon  
Bill Newsham

**Greater Boston Track Club**

Victoria Barnaby

Jon Berit  
John Blouin  
Brennan Bonner  
Edward Breen  
David Cahill  
David Callum  
Gary Cattarin  
Gary Circosta  
Kevin Cordaro  
Tom Derderian  
Caleb Evanter  
Katie Famous  
William Feldman  
Kathryn Fobert  
Jennifer Gardynski  
Jason Garrity  
Alex Gomes  
Brenda Greene

**GBTC (continued)**

Daniel Hall  
Matthew Haringa  
Cynthia Hastings  
Ryan Irwin  
Samuel Jurek  
Taylor Krajewski  
Amelia Landberg  
Michelle Lang Blouin  
Christopher Lowe  
Allison Lynch  
Meghan Lynch  
Adrian Macdonald  
Kyle Linn MacQueen  
Allison McCabe  
Brian McNamara  
Chas Mitchell  
Anna Novick  
John Raguin  
Emily Raymond  
Alyse Rocco  
Nicole Rogers  
Kevin Sheehan

Bo Wang

**Greater Lowell Road Runners**

Jason Bui  
Jim Garcia  
E J Hrynowski  
Peter LaGoy  
Glenn Stewart

**Greater Springfield**

**Harriers**

Barry Auskern  
Peter Stasz

**HFC Striders**

Jason Cakouros  
Chris Canning  
Chris Diehl  
Jimmy Fallon  
Andrew Holmes  
Matt Lynch  
Mark McDermott

**Liberty Athletic Club**

Jan Holmquist

**Mass Velocity Track Club**

Michael Baugh  
Robert Bowser  
Roy Charette  
Barbara Foster  
David Galligani  
Thomas Gillen  
Warren Graff  
Charles Kelley  
Shigeki Makino  
Chris McConnell  
John Oleski  
Roger Pierce  
Diane Pomeroy  
Edward Proctor  
Brian Rowles  
Robert Segal  
Gary Snyder  
Scott Steeves  
Michael Travers  
Stephen Viegas  
Meirwyn Walters

**Mass. T&F Officials Association**

Dennis Berry

**Mystic Runners**

David Corbett  
Wayne Dwyer  
Meg Michaels

**New Balance Boston**

Joan Bohlke  
Kevin Curtin  
Katie DiCamillo  
Erin Dromgoole  
Yvonne Mok Green  
Daniel Green  
Max Jack  
Tim Kaijala  
Daniel Kramer  
Daniel Lounsbury  
Chris McCann  
Jessica Minty  
Joanna Murphy  
Paul Rupprecht  
Tiffany Spearman

**New England Walkers**

Thomas	Knatt
Justin	Kuo
Edward	O'Rourke

**New Hampshire Tracksters**

Edward	Daniels
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**North Medford Club**

Ken	Robichaud
Paul	Schell

**SISU Project**

Caitlyn	Clark
Matthew	Germain

**Somerville Road Runners**

Robert	Cipriano
Alison	Lackey
Joseph	O'Leary
Michael	Quinn
Steve	Vaitones

**Sugarloaf Mountain AC**

David	Martula
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**Turbojav Athletic Club**

Leigh	Petranoff
Tom	Petranoff

**Twilight Throwers**

James	Burgoyne
Bob	Cedrone
Jim	Chamberas
Buzz	Gagne

**Waltham Track Club**

Joe	Tranchita
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**Western Mass. Distance Project**

Jason	Ayr
Joseph	Czupryna
John	Messer
Jesse	Regnier
Scott	Vander Molen

**Whirlaway Racing Team**

Scott	Anderson
Paul	Doe
Paul	Hammond
Eric	Narcisi
Joseph	Navas
Chris	Spinney
Reno	Stirrat
Susan	Stirrat
Kenneth	Warren

**White Mountain Milers**

Paul	Kirsch
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**unattached**

Laurie	Boemker
William	Clark
Christopher	Hickey
Matthew	Pelletier

Attendance - The following were in attendance but were not eligible to vote:

Ted Loska BUTXC

Mark Tuttle GBTC

Nich Haber NED

David Goodman NED

Adrienne Thornton

Imani Jones

Paul Kelly HFC

Mary Kate Champagne NBB

Patrick Samuels Camb Jets

Jordan Samuels Camb Jets

Iwona Boruch

GSH

Margaret Early

WTC

Rod Hemingway GBTC

Eric D'Agostino

Donna D'Agostino

David Isley WTC

Charlotte Sykes WTC

C. Forbes WTC

Carla Forbes WTC

Marcia Forbes WTC

Sonya Jampel WTC

James Jampel WTC

Jacob Jampel WTC

Pete Warrington GBTC

Tim Vermette WRT