



2023 Officials Annual Meeting

Phil Leake- Chair

Meeting: Sunday, August 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Start Time: 10:00 AM PT

1. Welcome: (Phil) Good Morning and Welcome to the Pacific Association's Annual Officials Meeting! We certainly have had a good year!! Lots of success within our association mostly the results of our meets held by the Pacific Association and lack of Protests. Congratulations keep up the amazing efforts. We all make a difference!
2. Chair's Remarks: It is XC Season we already have several meets on the PA Calendar. Track Season is over but there are plenty of XC meets the Collegiate and High Schools are in full force. There are LDR and Race Walk opportunities to officiate as well. Please take a look at the PA calendar on our website for scheduling purposes and your own personal calendar.
  - a. In Memoriam
  - b. Thanks- UC Davis: WE would like to thank Coach Ngoni Makusha and the University for hosting our meeting and allowing us to utilize their facilities. A Big Thank you to Kathy de Contreras and her daughter for taking care of the organizing the event.
  - c. Outcome of NCAA Conference and D1 West Regional Meets/Regional Youth Meets
    - The NCAA National's West Coast held at Sacramento State's Hornet Stadium. A lot of tickets were punched at Sac St in order to advance to finals in Texas. This was the largest meet we hosted in our district this season. The majority of the Officials officiating at the meet were primarily Pacific Association Members. The representation in running and field events was evident. Only 6 protests were filed over the 4 day competition. The Pacific Association continues to set up with accurate effectiveness and support. Thereby maintaining higher standards providing safe and efficient participation for the athletes. Allowing the athletes to compete at their best. PA Officials remain trained, unbiased and knowledgeable.
3. Coaches Presentations –ARC, CSUS, UC Davis, others : There were no Coaches in attendance therefore there were no Coaches presentations.
4. Upcoming Meets (John Mansoor/Rob Benoy)

- 2023 D1 NCAA Cross West Regional-Sacramento
- 2024 US Masters Outdoor Track Championships-Sacramento
- 2024 D1 NCAA Cross Mountain West Region-Reno
- 2024 D2 NCAA Cross Nationals Championships-Sacramento
- 2026 D1 West Region Track Championships-Sacramento
- 2024-2025 Indoor Track @ Reno

#### 5. You Make the Call (Ryan Cowley)

You Make the Call : Nine officiating scenarios contributed by Pacific Association Officials were presented, and the group discussed possible solutions and applicable rules. Some of the key takeaways from the discussion:

- Safety - arrive at a meet with plenty of time to assess the venue for potential safety hazards and correct them
- Proactive Officiating - think about what could go wrong, and prevent it from happening .
- Dealing with obnoxious coaches/parents - keep your focus on the athletes maintaining professionalism. Approach Meet Management if behaviors change needing improvement.
- Dealing with protests - the event moving forward. Preserve the rights of the Athlete. Always!

#### 6. Certification Chair's Report (Ajay Padgaonkar)

- Keep your resume up to date and apply for upgrade, if eligible.
- 10 Upgrades each in 2022 & 2023
- RRC and Mentors can help with understanding the process. Do reach out if you need clarification.
- Request to National/Master Officials understand the process and help deserving officials upgrade.
- Stay 3-way compliant Membership, SafeSport, and NCSI Background Check.
- Out of 275 Certified 30 have not completed either SafeSport or Background Check. Some have not renewed membership for 2023. Reach out to any of these groups for assistance.
- Championship Applications NCAA & USATF
- NCAA 2 Step Process RefQuest Registration then completed application with resume submission.
- USATF Master and JO Open to all applicants. Olympic Trials & U20 applicants are limited to National and Master submissions only.
- Next Fall 2024 Recertifications for the Olympiad will begin. Look for emails around the same time as our Annual Officials Meeting.
- Officials Head Count by Levels : Total Officials 275, 59 Masters, 38 National, 55 Association, 123 Apprentices. (90) of the Apprentices added within the last 3 years. (35) 2022, (18) 2022, (37) 2023.

#### 7. Training Chair's Report (Bill Bartel)

- Coordinating Training in the Central Association is being organized for sometime this fall. Possibly November and December 2023. It could be possible to certify 12- 20 people interested in becoming Certified Officials. Bill will be working with Lynell Glover and Chris Medina. Trainings for Pacific are being organized the schedule and calendar will be available soon.

#### 8. Regional Resource Chair's Report (Dennis Boyle)

- Dennis Boyle the Mentoring Committee is in place with 6 Mentors. Each mentor now has Officials in their common areas of living in order to stay connected and continue supporting the new and newer Officials. The 6 Mentors are Dennis Boyle:(530)276-1976 Northern California, Southern Oregon, Reno, Brandon O'Leary:(415)518-4209 San Francisco & North Bay, John Busto: (707)628-6309 West Sacramento, Dave Mantooth: (209)838-7810 East Bay, Scott Kostka (530)888-6557 Sacramento Sub: Placer, El Dorado, Sutter, Ryan Crowley :(650)889-6594 South Bay South. The most important thing is to make sure who is your mentor in your regional area make contact

#### 9. LDR Chair's Report (Rick Berman)

XC: 19 Aug (Sat) - 22nd Annual SCTC XC Challenge - Santa Cruz

XC: 26 Aug (Sat) - 30th Annual Phil Widener Empire Open - Santa Rosa

XC: 10 Sep (Sun) - 37th Annual Golden Gate Park Open - Golden Gate Park

XC: 16 Sep (Sat) - 12th Annual Rebels XC Challenge - Carmichael

Road: 1 Oct (Sun) - Urban Cow Half Marathon - Sacramento

XC: 8 Oct (Sun) - 27th Annual John Lawson Tamalpa Challenge - China Camp

XC: 15 Oct (Sun) - 4th Annual GVH Lagoon Valley XC Challenge - Vacaville

XC: 21 Oct (Sat) - 14th Annual Willow Hills XC Open - Folsom

XC: 28 Oct (Sat) - 25th Annual Matt Yeo Aggies XC Open - Martinez

XC: 5 Nov (Sun) - 18th Annual Garin Park XC Challenge - Hayward

Road: 12 Nov (Sun) - Clarksburg Half Marathon - Clarksburg

XC: 19 Nov (Sun) - 37th Annual PA XC Championships - Golden Gate Park

Road: 3 Dec (Sun) - California International Marathon - Sacramento

Road: 17 Dec (Sun) - Christmas Relays - San Francisco

#### 10. Racewalk Chair's Report (Robert Hooper)

- Race Walk has several meets coming up. Please sign up to receive information about Training. RW Committee will assist in all areas of training and certification in RW with style.

#### 11. Youth Representative's Report (Don Collins)

- Keep an eye for upcoming dates for XC High School Meets. Information will be available on the PA Calendar.

#### 12. PAUSATF Board of Athletics Delegates Report (Rob Benoy)

- No updates at this time. Please submit your meet information to Robert on the form provided. Take a moment review the information and double check to assist us in providing correct information for all XC & Track and Field Events.

#### 13. Rule Changes (John Shirey)

- Make sure to review current rule changes. There are several changes needing to be reviewed. The information was provided. Review your Rules!!

#### Lunch

#### 14. Introducing the 2023-2025 Officials Committee Executive Board

- Chair: Phil Leake, Vice Chair: Teddy Hayes, Past Chair: Mike Bower, Training Clinic Chair: Bill Bartel, Secretary: Tori Busto, At Large: Robert Benoy, At Large: Ryan Crowley, Board of Athletics Representatives: Ajay Padgaonkar, Mike Bower, Cori Evans, Jon Price, Certification Chair: Ajay Padgaonkar, Awards Chair: Dr Leon Glover Jr., LDR Official Coordinator: Rick Berman, Race Walk Representative: Robert Hooper, Youth Committee Representatives: Don Harding, Don Collins.

#### 15. PAUSATF Foundation (John Shirey)

The USATF Pacific Association is excited to announce our 2023 George Kleeman Training Grant recipients. With thanks to our donors, we are thrilled to be able to support 10 Pacific Association athletes as they train, compete and look forward to the USATF Nationals and beyond. Please join us in rooting for our grantees at the Nationals and through the remainder of the competitive season. The 10 Recipients are as follows: Elena Bruckner (Discus), Jason Smith (Long Jump), Robyn Stevens (Race Walk), Justin Lewis (High Jump), Craig Huff (Steeplechase), Jestena Mattson (Heptathlon), Mark Huizar (5K), Sean Davidson (1500/5K), Sara Jane Underwood (800m). Congratulations to you all!! Note: currently Officials are the largest and best group donating to the foundation. We are trying to find other donors to support our cause and athletes.

#### 16. PAUSATF Update (Irene Herman)

- The PA USATF Association Board Meeting will be a Zoom Meeting September 17<sup>th</sup> 10:00AM - 1:30 PM. Please submit any questions or information for the upcoming meeting. Looking forward to discussing several new items and the upcoming meetings in Orlando Florida in December of 2023.

#### 17. Awards (Chair's Awards)

- 2023 Chair's Awards: Craig Brooke, Jorn Jenson, Dave Sundin, Ryan Cowley, John Mansoor, Bob Wright

#### 18. Awards Association and National (Leon Glover)

- 2023 PAUSATF Officials Committee Award Winners: George Newlon Memorial Award- Mike Brown , Horace Crow Memorial Award- David Mantooth, Sonny and Lori Maynard Memorial Award- Leon Glover, Dick Connors Memorial Award- Dave Shrock, Dick Barbour Memorial Award- Joe Nemeth
- 2023 National Official Awards: Cris Houston, Charlotte Sneed, Cori Evans, Nicolle Goldman, Doug Bradley, Nancy Flannery, Laura Barger, Tyrone Taylor, Monty Steadman, Ken Hunter
- 2023 Association Awards: Michael Choice, Bill Ackerman, Gail Decatur, Jose Pena, Michael Morris, Dru Carroll, Stephanie Bolden, Paul Troppy, Linda Patterson, Lloyd Stephens, Robert Benoy
- 2023 Association Apprentice Awards: Erica Monsegue, Randy Rafael, Rhonda Hopson, Bruce McCay, Dawn McCay, John Coman, Doug Nareau, Keith Bunker, Gary Staves, Chris Nichols, Christine LaWanPo, James Wang, Megan Johnson

#### 19. Old Business

- Updates Monographs

#### 20. New Business

- Robert Benoy's Challenge Coin: At any given time an Official could be awarded a Challenge Coin. The idea is to award the individual something on the spot at the moment the day of exceptional performance and going above and beyond in the live moment. Ensuring the best possible outcome for all athletes.
- We need to create By-Laws for disciplinary purposes in case action needs to be initiated.
  - PAUSATF Annual Banquet (Irene Herman)
- Where to have the banquet is the question. Tori researched the Vacaville area and way too expensive!!! Angie Longworth is checking into the East Bay Area.
- John Shirey: The Raffle the paperless system seems to be working. Let's see if this is what's we want to do again next year. Thank you all for your contributions!!!! More Officials donate to the Association Foundation than anyone else.