April 6, 2025, Youth meeting minutes

**Attendees**

Rick Stucky, Carl Sniffen, Roger Hall, Lynn Brown, Gabby Simdars, Jerry Westfall, Amy Mast, Dave Skelton, Amy Vetter, Eric Peterson, Fran Munkenbeck, Ivan Vanski

**Club news**

Membership update – Lynn

Lynn reminded clubs to update their memberships on the USATF site. Membership needs to be current in order to receive reimbursement for sanctioning and to receive ribbons

Safe Sport update – Carl

Carl shared information on Safe Sport resources and Safe Sport 3-step process and wavier process, see attached document.

Amy of Tigard TC, shared that their meet will be just one day, May 10. The facility is not available on May 9. USATF Oregon’s youth meet calendar has been updated.

**Developmental meet updates**

Cross County – no new information

Track and Field

Rick shared the 2025 USATF Rules of Competition has the following rule change impacting 13-14 boys hurdles: 13-14 Boys 100m hurdles “36, outdoor effective now, indoor effect July 1, 2025

**Association JO updates**

Rick shared the Association is still seeking a site for the JO XC meet as WOU is not available Nov 8. A change of date is also being looked into for when WOU is available.

Rick shared that due to the condition of the hammer cage at MHCC, the Association JO hammer event will be June 14 at the Amity Throws event.

Volunteer registration for JOTF meet: <https://runsignup.com/Race/OR/Gresham/USATFOregonAssociationJuniorOlympic>

Gabby requested the horizontal jump board distances be announced before the meet. That information will be included in the Technical Manual.

**Reg 13 JO updates**

JOXC will be at WOU

**National JO updates**

The 2025 USATF Rules of Competition has added new relay events: 15-16, 17-18 Mixed Gender Relay (4x100, 4x400, 4x800) at National JO meet. The Association and Regional meet will include these relays

**Comments/Requests/Etc. Not on the agenda**

Lynn reminded clubs that athlete birthdate verification for the championship series is no longer done at the Association level. It is handled by the National office. Documents submitted for birthdate verification will be processed within five (5) business days of submission (excluding holidays). It is the responsibility of the registrant to ensure submission in a timely manner to meet entry deadlines. Use this link to verify the athlete’s date of birth:

<https://www.usatf.org/home-normal/top-utility-nav-content/membership/date-of-birth-verification-policy>

**Safe Sport Resources**

Oregon USATF Safe Sport Coordinator: Carl Sniffen  asvc@@oregon.usatf.org

Safe Sport Handbook: [usatf.org/safe-sport/usatf-safe-sport-handbook](http://usatf.org/safe-sport/usatf-safe-sport-handbook)

Safe Sport web address: [usatf.org/safe-sport](http://usatf.org/safe-sport)  also available through oregon.usatf.org

Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies (MAAPP):  [flipsnack.com/USATF/usatf-2025-minor-athlete-abuse-prevention-policies/full-view.html](http://flipsnack.com/USATF/usatf-2025-minor-athlete-abuse-prevention-policies/Full-view.html)

3 Step Safe Sport Compliance

 USATF Membership

 USATF Background Check

 Complete Safe Sport Training

Restricted Volunteer Waiver Program

 Waiver is only available at USATF Regional and Association Meets

 If a waver is available, it is only available for three meets within any calendar year

No waiver is available if the volunteer is in a position of authority (club board member or coach are examples of authority); volunteer has regular contact with athletes; and the volunteer is volunteering in a position that is not observable and interruptible by another adult.

Volunteer positions to which the waiver is usually available are volunteers helping do tasks like raking pits, raising bars, etc.

MAAP:

Model policies include:

 Meetings

 Individual training sessions

 Therapeutic and recovery modalities and manual therapy

 Locker rooms and changing areas

 Electronic Communications

 One on one interactions

 Transportation

 Lodging and Residential Environments

USATF Resources website provides policy summaries, posters and other aids to distribute or post on websites, meet locations or hand out to parents or volunteers