



David B. Eavenson

Chapter

Track & Field Officials

February 4, 2021
Date

Zoom, et al
Location

- A. Call to Order:** The first meeting of the David B. Eavenson Chapter of Track & Field Officials for 2021 was called to order by President Hudson at 7:00 PM. Due to the current Pandemic the meeting was conducted via Zoom format. Prior to the call to order by President Hudson a preliminary check was made by Bill Gallagher to ascertain that all chapter members were able to sign in according to the newly established electronic procedure. That appeared to go well.
- B. President's/VP's Report:** President Hudson proceeded to welcome all members to the meeting and generally addressed the concerns that have been circulating regarding the uncertainty of the upcoming T & F season in relation to the current national health crisis from COVID-19. President Hudson was upbeat and cautioned all to basically be patient and adopt a "wait and see" attitude about the overall situation. He noted that things change daily and that no one, at this point, has a clear picture of how things will look in another month or so. There is much speculation, but nothing has yet been determined universally as to how the season will progress.
- C. Corresponding Secretary's Report:** Bill Gallagher followed President Hudson's remarks by introducing our newest Chapter member, Mark Morris. Mark, a long term teacher and coach, has a strong background in our sport's pole vault. Bill went on to remind members to make any needed updates about their contact information on both the PIAA website and the Chapter website. Bill also asked members to make sure that they had his email, Willgall082@gmail.com, in their address books in order to be sure to get vital Chapter information and other important notices. Other points from Bill were that there would be no new rule or case books distributed this year, since there was no season in 2020, those books would be used for 2021, and that other important 2021 season information could be accessed on the PIAA website. It was also recommended that members review our Chapter website and report any problems or suggested additions/changes to Bill.
- D. Treasurer's Report:** Skip reported the current balance of the Chapter's treasury to be \$1,465.98. Dues for the current year and payment for insurance coverage can be submitted to Skip by check via the US Mail-his address is listed on our website under his info on the roster. Orders for clothing and other items will be addressed at a future meeting.
- E. Announcements:** **Jim Ellingsworth** delivered remarks on the upcoming season from the PIAA perspective. Again, the basic message was that due to the current Pandemic much of the plans are still somewhat on hold until a more complete picture of how state-wide and nationally we can safely proceed to have a season that will consistently offer fair and safe venues for both athletes and spectators. **Larry Moser** then reported on the status of assignments for Mid-Penn. In keeping with the overall uncertainty of how the season will ultimately unfold, Larry remarked that some schools have given him meet schedules and others are still working on getting such necessary information to him. That factor has therefore obviously caused a delay in assignments and in preparing the usual protocols with ZebraWeb. Larry felt that things were running a few weeks behind normal, but that things

would soon improve and he would do his best to release assignments. No information on plans for the conference or district meets is yet available.

Zoom Issues- This part of the agenda was passed over as most Zoom issues seemed to have been addressed prior to the opening of tonight's meeting

- F. Presentation # 1: Brad Cashmen & Cherie Ramsey**
Brad and Cherie both reminded members that the 2021 Rules Interpretation Meeting on ZOOM would be on Monday, February 8th at 7:00 PM. It would be an encore of the 2020 meeting with some minor updates.
- G. Old Business:** None.
- H. New Business:** Nothing noted except a reminder of ZOOM procedures, the Rules meeting upcoming on Monday, February 8th at 7:00, and the importance of logging into that meeting.
- I. Issues/Items from the Floor:** None tonight
- J. Adjournment:** The 1st Chapter Meeting of 2021 was adjourned by President Hudson at 7:40 PM.
- K. Next Meeting:** Our next regular Chapter meeting-by ZOOM, will be held on Sunday, March 14, 2021. Members can begin to log in at 6:50, meeting to start at 7:00 PM.