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Chapter
Track & Field/CrossCountry
Officials

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Date

Zoom, et al

Location

- A. **Call to Order:** President Lerew called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.
- B. **President's/VP's Report:** President Lerew welcomed the members and turned the meeting over to our interpreters, Cherie and Brad. (See below.)
No V. P. report this evening.
- C. **Corresponding Secretary's Report:** Bill Gallagher welcomed everyone to our first Zoom meeting since last spring and reminded people about the sign in procedure for Zoom. Bill mentioned that all attendance info should also show up on the PIAA website and that officials should sign in to the PIAA website and check to see that all info is updated and correct. The same goes for our chapter website—check it to make sure that your info is correct and up to date with phone #'s, addresses, etc. You can also check your meeting attendance on the PIAA website. When participating in a Zoom Chapter meeting you must make sure that your video camera is turned on for the duration of the meeting. Another note about attendance—you can take the Online T & F Officials exam to get credit for meeting attendance. That online exam is available only until March 25th.
- D. **Treasurer's Report:** Skip reported a current balance of \$3,030.98, with one additional check yet to be deposited.
- E. **Announcements:** Covered in Old Business Section & Items from the Floor further on.
- F. **Presentation # 2:** Brad Cashman & Cherie Ramsey

Cherie presented a review of the 2022 Points of Emphasis—A. Exchange Zone, B. Use of Electronic Devices, & C. Adapted Athletes. That information is available on Page 75 of the 2022 Rule Book.

Brad reviewed Points of Emphasis from 2019 regarding Uniforms, which was covered in the emailed handout for this evening. Brad then went on to cover PIAA Modifications of Select NFHS T & F and Cross Country Rules, specifically Rule 3-2-4n pg.12, Rule 4-3-1b7, pg. 23, and Rule 4-4 Note, pg. 23. (Meeting note-No gloves to be worn in relay races or throwing/vaulting field events.) The modifications were also included in the emailed handouts.

Brad went on to review the topic of Wearable Technologies and encouraged officials to be familiar with the policy as presented in tonight's handout.

Brad finished this evening's presentation with a brief review of Participation and Entry Limitations as explained in the Rule 4-2-2 Table, which can be found on page 21 of the Rule Book.

- G. Assignor/Arbiter Update:** Larry reminded officials to be sure to sign up for Arbiter Pay on the Arbiter website, especially if working at a school that uses Arbiter Pay. Larry has emailed those officials scheduled to work at schools that use that method of payment. Other points from Larry this evening: 1) Schools are supposed to supply the starter with .32 caliber shells to start the races, 2) Be aware of any schools (Milton Hershey) that may use the electronic starting gun, 3) Contact the school AD a few days prior to the meet and review the details-starting time, schools involved, location, etc. to make sure of any changes, 4) Make sure that the finish line timers are aware of how to properly time the races (be proactive and supportive of those doing that job—most of the timers are volunteers and have done the job before, but all the same, your checking in with them can be of great benefit to the overall outcome of the meet, and 5) Please dress the part of a PIAA certified starter. Larry noted that an updated list of school AD's and their contact phone numbers is forthcoming. Assignments for the Mid-Penn Conference meet will be coming soon. Anyone who has not blocked out May 14th on Arbiter can expect an assignment for that meet. The fee for this year is expected to be \$110.00 again. A nice lunch is also usually provided for the officials.

- H. Old Business:** President Lerew reminded the chapter members that a social gathering with food and some special awards is being planned for May 15th at Pinchot Park. Please contact her for further details and to confirm your intentions as to coming and/or bringing a covered dish. Katlin also reminded members to let her know about any needs for using any of the Chapter's tools or equipment, preferably in advance of a meet.

- I. New Business:** Nothing noted tonight.

- J. Issues/Items from the Floor:** Jim Ellingsworth brought up the reminder that in relay races each school is only allowed one scoring team. A brief discussion followed during which the consensus was that if a school has more than one relay team the official determines prior to the start of the race which team is designated as the scoring team.

- K. Adjournment:** President Lerew adjourned tonight's meeting at 6:53 PM.

- L. Next Meeting:** Our 3rd Chapter meeting will be "Live and In Person" at 6:00PM at Carlisle High School on Sunday, March 27th, 2022