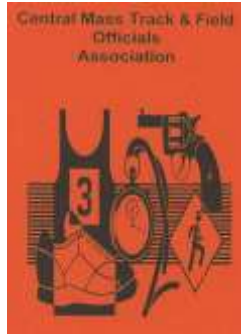


CMT&FOA Minutes



**Thursday, March 14, 2024
Shrewsbury High School
7:00 P.M.**

1. **Approval of December 14, 2023 Minutes** - Approved
2. **Financial Update** - Peter Zona (Please contact Pete at: ptpzona@charter.net if you need a hat, shirt, vest or jacket.)

Scholarship: We pay two and District E pays two annually.

Insurance for members: out of your dues we pay liability insurance at a group rate. Tonight we will resubmit for the insurance. We ask to pay dues early, so we can do one group rate.

Treasury report accepted as presented.

3. **Current Dues/Paying Members Update** – Charlie Butterfield.
 - a. **Rules Books and limited Case Books available. (Books will not be mailed.) Case books \$7.**
 - b. **74 members. 60 working members for this Spring**
4. **Major Meet Dates for 2024**

- a. **Central MA Meets & Assignors** – Sites for the meets below will be finalized at a later date, and will be shared with membership via email.

4/27 – DI Relays at TBA; DII at Gardner @ 1:30 p.m.; Boys & Girls together.

5/11 – DI Class Meet at TBA; DII at Ayer-Shirley @ 10:00 a.m.; Boys & Girls together.

***5/30 & 6/1 – MIAA Meet of Champions at FSU @ 3:00 p.m. & 2:30 p.m.**

In the minutes below there is a web-link to sign up to work. Additionally, there are Regional meets on Memorial Day weekend. To work at one of the sites you need to sign up through the link to be chosen. This link is also on our Website. To see what schools are in what Division there is an alignment link on the Track page of the MIAA website.

6/3 & 6/4 – Decathlon at Shepherd Hill @ 3:30 p.m.
6/5 & 6/6 – Heptathlon at Shepherd Hill @ 3:30 p.m.
6/6 – Weight Pentathlon at Shepherd Hill @ 3:30 p.m.

b. Fitchburg SU

4/6 - Jim Sheehan Invitational – still needs officials. Contact Jim at: jjellison@fitchburgstate.edu.

c. *2024 MIAA Meets – Use this link if interested in working any of the MIAA sponsored meets, including the MOC:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScf5EPtqOOGdff-TypRexLbKKqgGjUWSLrcOGWoXtr1IXvZPQ/viewform?usp=sf_link.

d. MWL & District E Meets – assignor Pete McCauliff at: pmccauliff@gmail.com.

Most meets are on Wednesday. Currently, we do not have enough officials to cover all of these meets. Pete is trying his best to assign officials to meets that are close to their homes. However, there are some outlying schools that require some travel no matter who is assigned.

Coaches should be having coaches' meetings at dual meets where field event assignments are reviewed, start of running events, order of field events (especially if it is a double dual).

If you know your assignments prior to the meet, review the rules before you show up. At events, it is appropriate to briefly review the rules of the events.

Pete is assigning middle school meets. Regulations/order of events of these meets differ from high school meets. (see attached)

Show up equipped for the meet (tape measures, coaches helper, stopwatch, pencils, clipboard).

If there is a problem at a meet, call Pete. Even if it is a problem with a person at the meet, you can call Pete.

e. SWCL and Dual Valley Outdoor Meets – assignor James Bergeholtz at: jamesjrberg@aol.com.

f. Hockomock Outdoor Meets – assignor Jim Morris at: jimmor2@gmail.com.

g. Worcester Public Schools Outdoor Meets – assignor Pete Zona at: ptpzona@charter.net.

h. Middle School State Championship Meets: Saturday, May 4th, Somerville, double session meet, double pay, 10 a.m.; Friday, May 31st, Clinton, 3:00 p.m.; Saturday, June 1st, Clinton, double session meet, double pay, 10 a.m. – assignor Ken Carabba at: kencarabba68@yahoo.com.

5. Review of 2024 NFHS Track & Field and Cross Country Rules Changes

Previously provided: 2024 - please take the time to review these changes at the following link: <https://www.nfhs.org/sports-resource-content/track-and-field-rules-changes-2024/>.

6. **Auditing Committee** – as previously discussed we will have an Auditing Committee starting in 2023-24. The three elected members of the Executive Board shall serve as the Auditing Committee. The Auditing Committee shall audit the Treasurer's books yearly and submit a report at the March Meeting. This is something we have not done previously, but it's in our by-laws.
7. **End-of-Year Social** – it was suggested that we move from O'Connor's to the Draught House Bar & Grill, West Boylston. Jerry Frew will explore this option for either June 19 or June 20. Further information to follow.
8. **Other**
 - a. **Training session:** attend a site practice and run some field events as a competition. Starting as well.
 - b. **MIAA has a pole vault certification that can help you with your officiating.**
 - c. **Rules interpretation question: Uniform. Please re-read this rule as applies to competition and relays**
 - d. **Rules Interpretation: 4x400m relay exchange 1. If you instruct the athletes that they can not break in before they pass the finish line, you must hold the athletes accountable for that.**

Motion to adjourn: 8:04pm

Next Meeting – Thursday, October 10th, 7:00 P.M., Shrewsbury High School

Web Site: <http://www.cmtfoa.org/index.html>

Respectfully Submitted,

Sara DiPilato Lamey