USA TRACK & FIELD, INC. BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

A meeting of the Board of Directors of USA Track & Field, Inc. was held on **Sunday, February 18, 2018** at 9:30 am (MST) at the Hotel Andaluz, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Board Officers and Directors:

<u>Present</u>: Steve Miller (Chairman of the Board), Vin Lananna (President and Vice Chair), Stephanie Hightower (left at 1:20 pm, then joined via phone), Mickey Carter (Treasurer), Becky Oakes (Secretary), Len Krsak, Curt Clausen, Sam Germany, Lauren Fleshman, Ryan Wilson, William Shelton, Michael Conley, Jeff Mlynski, Eve Wright, Jeff Porter, Dr. Evie Dennis, and Max Siegel (CEO).

<u>Present – via phone</u>: Jackie Joyner-Kersee, Fred Finke (joined at 10:30 am), and Michelle Carter.

Quorum Present? Yes.

Others Present - Staff: Renee Washington, Norm Wain, Sara Reese, Jill Geer, Duffy Mahoney, Lloyd Crowe, David Gadis, Donald Woodard, Aretha Thurmond, Sarah Austin, Michele Babb, and Carmen Triplet.

Others Present - Guests: Thom Confer (SCA), Moushaumi Robinson (AAC), Becca Peter (Pole Vault Power), Ann Gaffigan (AAC), John Chaplin, Brian Osterloh (USATF NM), Arlena Dickerson (USATF NM), Carl Brasher (AAT), Teddy Michell (USATF NM), Wendy Truvillion (USATF AZ), and Rich Young (Bryan Cave).

The Meeting was called to order at 9:30 am (MST) by Chairman of the Board, Steve Miller. Following roll call, the first order of business was to approve the meeting minutes from December 3, 2017 and February 5, 2018. Upon a motion duly made by Mr. Miller, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

MOVED to approve the minutes from both the December 3, 2017 board meeting and the February 5, 2018 board meeting.

The board of directors discussed the presentation made by Bill Roe at the December 3, 2017 meeting regarding the application submitted from the National Scholastic Athletics Foundation to become a 5D member of USATF with a delegate in each of the following areas: men's track & field, women's track & field, cross country running, racewalking, and youth. The board discussed the application, noting the Organizational Services committee support of the application. Upon a motion duly made by Mr. Miller, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

MOVED to approve the application as submitted by the National Scholastic Athletics Foundation.

Norm Wain advised that the Ethics committee is in need of a new athlete representative following the completion of the prior representative's term. Mr. Miller appointed Tiombe Hurd to serve in this capacity upon the recommendation of the AAC. Upon a motion duly made by Stephanie Hightower, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

MOVED to approve the appointment of Tiombe Hurd to the Ethics committee.

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Thom Confer, Chair of the Para Athlete committee, made a request to the board to support the hosting of a para athlete championships at a cost of \$15,000. Mr. Confer shared that a similar championship was held in 2017 and his belief that there is a large contingent of disabled youth who lack opportunities to compete in track and field. The board asked Mr. Confer to put together a comprehensive proposal, in writing, for the board to review.

Upon a motion duly made by Mickey Carter, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

MOVED for the board of directors to go into Executive Session at 10:00 am (MST) in order to discuss pending legal matters.

Upon a motion duly made by Mr. Miller, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

MOVED for the board of directors to end the Executive Session at 1:45 pm (MST).

Vin Lananna recused himself from this portion of the board meeting. Upon a motion duly made by Mr. Carter, seconded and carried (with one nay vote and four abstentions), it was

MOVED that as a result of the pending federal investigation into the award of the 2021 World Championships to TrackTown and Mr. Lananna's role as the President of TrackTown, both at the time the bid was awarded and currently, that the Board finds that Mr. Lananna has a conflict of interest involving a potentially serious criminal matter which makes him temporarily unable to serve as President of USATF. Mr. Lananna will be put on temporary administrative leave until either: the federal investigation is concluded; or USATF receives confirmation from the federal authorities that neither TrackTown nor Mr. Lananna engaged in any improper conduct.

Upon a motion duly made by Eve Wright, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

MOVED to have Mike Conley fill the vacancy of President and Vice Chair temporarily until such time as Mr. Lananna returns from administrative leave.

Due to time constraints, Mr. Miller adjourned the meeting at 1:55 pm (MST).

Minutes respectfully submitted by Legal Affairs Manager, Sarah Austin.