

## Association Annual Elections Meeting (Virtual)

Minutes

Sunday, 25 September 2022 4:00 P.M.

## 1. Attendance/Roll Call – Secretary

President- Mike ONeal (present)
Vice President- Mike Wilson (present)
Secretary- Eric Craig (present)
Treasurer- Jonny Hipp (present)

Attendees and members were informed of the electronic attendance form for today's meeting. The sign-in sheet link was placed in the chat room associated with this meeting.

## 2. Opening Remarks from the President

Mike O'Neal welcomed and thanked our special guest the USATF Grass Roots Director, Ms. Robin Beamon and all attendees on their attendance to the Annual meeting. He gave instructions on today's agenda and procedures, followed by introducing Ms. Beamon for any remarks.

Ms. Beamon expressed her excitement about being able to join the Texas Southern Association for this occasion. She also mentioned and emphasized the extremely hard work and effort put forth by the President and Vice President of this Association that she witnessed over the years and encouraged all to support the leadership.

## 3. Minutes/Executive Reports:

- Secretary (Annual Secretary Report)

Eric Craig reported the FAT timing system the associated purchase has been moved to the storage. Eric Craig informed the attendees that due to his change of employment status and obligations; he would be unable to train and time any future meets with the association. He informed members he secured a local trainer to help with the timing system.

- Financial Report Treasurer (Mr. Jonny Hipp)
  Mr. Jonny Hip gave a thorough accounting of the Associations finances and provided a copy to all those requesting one. The Association has been fiscally responsible and is in a good financial status. Per the Association By-laws he will be requesting a financial review immediately following the elections for the incoming President.
- Vice President Report- Yielded his comments until the President gives the State of the Association report.
- 4. Committee Reports Committee Chairs
- Officials Chair, Mr. Preston Johnson gave update on the state of official's certifications, and upcoming Association certification classes. Mr. Ricky Williams asked "If a certification class was conducted in October, how long would that certification be good for?". Mr. Johnson stated certifications will be good until the next Olympian. No further comments.
- 5. Old Business Secretary No old business to report
- 6. Awards & Recognition (President)

The President congratulated all the officials and coaches who participated in any major events this year, along with nominations and selection for awards and distinguished track meets.

- 7. New Business- Association Elections
- Nominations was closed and Elections was opened by the Association Secretary (Elections Committee Chair)

Nominees eligible in accordance with the Texas Southern Bylaws. Names, and Bios vying for President (Mr. Michael Wilson), Vice President (no nomination), Secretary (Ms. Joy Taylor), Treasurer (Mr. Jonny Hipp), and Membership Chair (no nomination) was provided via eBlast 30 days prior to this meeting.

Therefore, the nominations for President, Treasurer, and Secretary will be uncontested and voted by acclamation, all other positions will be appointed by the incoming President.

Mr. Eric Craig solicited a motion for a vote of acclamation. Motion was made by Mr. Alvin Weaver and Seconded by Mr. David Dunbar, that these positions be voted by acclamation and the incoming President will appoint all other positions by appointment according to the bylaws.

Mr. Ricky Williams was acknowledged to ask a question. The President responded that the question was unrelated to today's agenda and he will remain in keeping with the meeting agenda according to Robert's rule of Law and requested the Chairmen move forward with the agenda. Mr. Felix Paiz was acknowledged to ask a question. Ms. Robin Beamon responded to the question and told Mr. Paiz that he was out of line. Mr. Paiz became a bit argumentative and the President responded that he was giving Mr. Williams and Mr. Paio a warning and they will be asked to leave the room if there were any more disruptions or questions unrelated to today's agenda.

The following members were voted into office by vote of acclamation. The vacant positions will be filled by the newly elected president as permitted by the association's by-laws

A. President: Mr. Michael Wilson

B. Vice President: Vacant nominee will be appointed by incumbent President

C. Treasurer: Mr. Jonny Hipp D. Secretary: Ms. Joy Taylor

E. Membership: Vacant nominee will be appointed by incumbent President

- 8. Closing Remarks- State of Association (President)
- 12. Closing Remarks and Adjournment- Mr. Mike Wilson newly elected President
- Incumbent President shared his vision for the Texas Southern Association, and was received with an over whelming acceptance and vote of confidence and support.
- The vision of the association moving forward with its first track meet in November 2022, the Cross-Country Championships was communicated by Mr. Mike Wilson and received with resounding approval and excitement for the association.

Prepared by
Mr. Eric Craig
(Outgoing Secretary/Elections Committee Chair)