

1. Call to order

Miki Osherow called to order the regular meeting of the USA Field Hockey Club Advisory Task Force at 9:00 PM EST on October 7, 2013.

2. Roll call

The following members were present: Plunket Beirne, Tony Gulotta, Wayne Gersoff, Karen Collins, Simon Hoskins, Emily Thomas, Joan Johnson, Yasser Hayat, Miki Osherow, Lauren Powley, and Lynn Hoepfner. The following members were not present: Barbara Weinberg and Steve Locke.

3. Agenda

- a. Welcome and overview of the Task Force
- b. Introductions – appointment of Chair
 - i. Miki Osherow has been appointed as Chair
- c. U-14/U-12 NIT
 - i. Pool formatting: we have high/mid/low experience info so after that... random, geographic or by U16 ranking?
 1. Task Force recommends: Geographic.
 - ii. KC to give update on Nook facility
 1. 10 courts for indoor (120x70). Large mezzanine for teams to gather. Brand new side boards and sport court.
- d. Festival
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- e. RCC and NCC
 - i. Identical roster requirement
 1. *Discussion on the requirement being abandoned as the RCC and NCC rules only allow clubs to use affiliated members, therefore the Club is still represented correctly and fairly. Discussion on a 30 member roster limit and the Club can choose from those*

players for the RCC and NCC. Discussion on players making petitions to USAFH.

2. Task Force recommends: a 30 player roster.

4. Any Other Business

- i. RCC: when will applications be out? *Host applications will be out this week. Will hosts be held to a deadline this year to hold event? USAFH believes not. Will hosts be asked to ask area clubs for best date? Yes.*
- ii. JPIL: will this be an excused Futures absence? *USAFH is looking into allowing one excused Futures absence for attending a JPIL session.*
- iii. Festival schedule: when will the schedule be released? *USAFH says the schedule will be released once we have final team numbers. Possibly the end of October.*
- iv. Qualifier schedules: will the NITQ and RCC pools and schedules be produced by USAFH to ensure no qualifying tournament is advantageous for a specific club? *Yes, there will be checks and balances in place to prevent this from happening.*

5. Next Meeting

- a. After Festival.

6. Adjournment

Miki Osherow adjourned the meeting at 9:49 PM EST.

Minutes submitted by: Emily Thomas