



USA Field Hockey
Board of Directors
Minutes from Urgent Meeting
February 17, 2011 & February 20, 2011

Urgent meeting of the Board of Directors of USA Field Hockey called for Thursday, **February 17, 2011 at 10:00 PM EST**. The purpose of the meeting is to notify the Board of Directors of the actions the Board needs to take necessitated by the resignation of two members of the Board, Martha Jordan and Heather Lewis. Letters of resignation provided as an attachment.

Telephonically on Call

Jim Johnson, Chair
Jennifer Averill
Heather Lewis
Martha Jordan
Pamela Stuper
Rene Zelkin
Anthony Gulotta
Tej Singh
Pat Cota
Alva Serrette – Chair, Nominations Committee

Not on call

Billie Ahluwalia
Carla Tagliente
Kate Kinnear

Staff

Steve Locke – Executive Director
Laura Darling – Secretary of the BOD

1. Call to order
2. Roll Call – attendance telephonically as noted above
3. Chair Jim Johnson opened the call
 - A. Chair asked if there were any objection to proceeding with this call.

- b. Those on call request board member not on the call be able to cast votes.
- c. Chair Alva Serrette reported the Nomination Committees slate to the Board.
 - i. For the Independent Director appointment, replacing Martha Jordan, the Nomination Committee appointed Randell Sundeen
 - ii. Board voted to ratify nomination vote as follows: **Board Ratified 6 Yes, 1 No, 1 abstention (Heather Lewis)**
 - iii. The At Large slate for the At Large appointment replacing Heather Lewis was the following.
 - Jackie Scally
 - Laura Lee
 - Joe Gote
 - Susan Nottingham
 - Mark Vitesse
 - iv. Robust discussion followed with each Board member given a time to speak. The following resulted.

Motion: To allow those not present to cast an electronic vote to ratify Independent candidate, Randal Sundeen. **Motion passed.**

Motion: To refuse Heather Lewis resignation and give her time to reconsider her decision and to give those Board members NOT on the call time to vote, the board will suspend the meeting until Sunday, February 20, 2011 at 9 PM.
Motion passed.

Meeting suspended and will reconvene Sunday, February 20, 2011 at 9:00 PM EST.

Suspended Call resumed 9:00 PM on Sunday, February 20, 2011

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Motion: To resume meeting. **All in Favor**

4. Jim reviewed concerns for earlier meeting on February 17, 2011
 - Revolved around did the Board follow the proper election process
 - Broad reviewed process and determined the Board did followed process
5. Referencing #3 / iv above from the time the meeting was suspended on Feb 17, 2011 until it was reconvened on Feb 20, 2011, two votes were received to ratify the Independent Director, Randell Sundeen. The final vote tally is 7 Yes, 2 No, 1 Abstained and 1 no response.
 - Motion passed to ratify Randell Sundeen as the candidate for Independent Director brought forth by the Nominations Committee.
6. Randell Sundeen is elected to fill the Independent Director seat to replace Martha Jordan.
7. Tej Singh, Anthony Gullotta, and Randell Sundeen will serve on the BOD as Independent Directors.
8. Heather asked Anthony Gullotta and Tej Singh if they were comfortable with the nomination / election process for the At Large candidates before responding to whether she would resend her board resignation. Tej Singh and Anthony Gullotta both responded they felt the process was correct as per the bylaws. Heather withdrawals resignation
9. Steve Locke requested clarification of who will advise various candidates of the election results? It was determined Alva Servette will notify candidates of results.
10. Jim Johnson officially thanked Alva Servette and his committee for their hard word.
11. Tej Singh requested a Public Relations piece regarding the election process which started in November and ended the evening of February 20. Steve Locke agreed to writing and publish the release on the USA Field Hockey Web site. Release would be posted after candidates were notified. It was determined to post the release on Wednesday, February 23, 2011

Motion: To adjourn meeting: **All in Favor**

