



USA Luge
Annual Meeting Minutes
October 28, 2017

Call to Order by Mr. Dwight Bell at 1:32PM

Mr. Bell thanked all in attendance, especially the large group of Officials attending a training session this weekend in Lake Placid.

Mr. Bell asked Ms. Amy Chapin to call the role. After qualifying that a quorum was met, the meeting of members went into session.

First order of Business was to approve the Minutes of the previous Annual Meeting held on October 22, 2016.

Motion to Approve Minutes of October 22, 2016 Ms. Peggy Mousaw/Mr. Alan Beatty
Motion PASSED.

President Report – Mr. Bell

Mr. Bell reported that the Board and all its Committees are functioning at a high level of competency and that the governance structure is operating in complete compliance of not-for-profit rules governing 501- C3 organizations. He discussed that the Board is focused on strategic planning with the CEO and his staff with a continuing emphasis on helping to develop the necessary resources needed by the association to fund such plan. He was happy to report that the budget has grown in the last four years and that our successful relationship with our major stakeholders was proof that the organization is moving in a positive direction.

Mr. Bell touched on the IOC awarding Los Angeles with the 2028 Summer Games and was hopeful that the USOC will work with the Winter NGB's to begin to focus on bringing a Winter Games bid back to the USA.

CEO Report – Jim Leahy

Mr. Leahy opened his remarks by stating that it was an honor to serve USA Luge and that he strongly believes that we are fully prepared to medal at the upcoming Olympic Games in Korea. The work that our athletes, coaches and staff have put in the last four years is a true testament to their commitment to makes us a world class organization.

With regards to the Olympic Games in Korea, Mr. Leahy reported that he is in constant contact with all those parties responsible for the safety of our athletes and the entire US delegation. He stated that every precaution to reduce any risk on the ground was being undertaken and felt very good about all the plans being made. He did state that there was a concern about potential cyber attacks and warned those traveling to be aware of such risks with regards to personal computers, cell phones and other electronic equipment.

Mr. Leahy continued to report on the upcoming World Cup in Lake Placid, the Gala Celebration to announce the Olympic Team scheduled after the World Cup race, the signing of new sponsors, the new deal with the NBC Olympic Channel and the continued focus on technical projects.

At this point Mr. Leahy yielded the floor to Mr. Brett West and Mr. Bob Germaine to discuss a possible interest by the Boy Scouts of America to construct a wheeled track at the Scouts Jamboree property in West Virginia.

After the presentation, Mr. Leahy again took the floor to address two motions for approval by the members. The first motion addressed the change of our current bylaw language required by the USOC in compliance of the Safe Sport mandate. The language change had been sent out to all members to review prior to the Annual Meeting. The second motion is to approve the continued relationship with McSoley McCoy as our independent auditors.

Mr. Bell asked for a motion to approve the new bylaw language mandated by the USOC as part of USA Luge compliance with Safe Sport policies.

Motion to Approve Bylaw Language change for Safe Sport Compliance Ms. Peggy Mousaw/Mr. Alan Beatty Motion PASSED.

Mr. Bell asked for a motion to approve the continued work with McSoley McCoy as our independent auditors.

Motion to Approve McSoley McCoy as the independent auditors Ms. Peggy Mousaw/Mr. Jeff Stratton Motion PASSED.

At this time Mr. Bell asked Mr. Mark Grimmette to come forward to announce the Athlete Awards:

Most Improved Junior Athlete

- West: Ian Thomas
- East: Sam Eckert

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- Sean Rogers

Junior National Team Athlete of the Year

- Brittany Arndt

Senior National Team Athlete of the Year /Female

- Erin Hamlin

Senior National Team Athlete of the Year /Male

- Tucker West

Senior National Team Doubles of the Year

- Matt Mortensen/Jayson Terdiman

Team of the Year Award

- World Championship Relay Team – Erin Hamlin, Tucker West, Matt Mortensen, Jayson Terdiman

At this time Mr. Bell asked Mr. Leahy and Ms. Beverly Detwiler to make the following award presentations:

Sam Venezia Spirit Award to Ms. Cynthea Hausman

John Jenkins Sports Passion Award to Mr. Ron Rossi

Open Discussion

A number of Officials thanked the Board for providing new jackets to them. The jackets were warm and greatly appreciated.

With no other business, Mr. Bell asked for a motion to adjourn.

Motion to Adjourn Mr. Jay Terdiman/ Ms. Kathryn Terdiman Motion PASSED.

Meeting adjourned at 2:29PM