

Minutes
Rink Hockey Conference Call
Wednesday November 22, 2018
9:00pm EDT

On Call: Tom Hughes, Pat Ferguson, Rodrigo Leni, Jim Jost, Bryce Robinson, Don Allen, Scott Ferguson, Brent Benson, Kylie Hughes

- 1. Statement: Tom read a personal statement at the start of the Conference Call.**
- 2. Treasurer's Report: Deposits: \$ 1000.00 from Jim's Company, \$583 from go fund me account, \$15.19 from Restaurant fund raiser at Nationals; Check for Uniforms: \$1357.09; Balance as of 11/16/18 is \$ 9607.87**
- 3. Referee committee Report : Duane unable to get signal. We know he sent out the major rule changes to the club Rep Conference call.**
- 4. Club Representative Committee Report: It was discussed at the Rep's Conference Call to have the Northwest Region set up something special for Opening Ceremonies at Nationals. We also discussed and agreed to be able to skate any Regional Championships a Club wishes. A Club can skate at two or more Regional Championships. This would help create closer ties between the Regions and help create better competition at Regionals. We need better communication for tournaments. If you are having sanctioned tournaments, we can get Brent to put them up on the Rink Hockey Face book page and the USARS website. They MUST be sanctioned tournaments.**
- 5. 2019 Nationals: We would like to have an International Tournament during Nationals, but our major concern is the length of time we are allowed. We could run into a problem if we have more U.S. teams show up and take more time for Nationals. We tabled this discussion until our next Conference call.**
- 6. 2018 Pan American Championships: The U19 Men's Team and the Senior Men's Team will be attending the Pan American Championships in Bogota. Because of the costs**

involved with the changing the location from Medellin to Bogota, the Ladies Team cannot afford the costs to change their tickets, so the Ladies will not be attending. We sent a letter of protest to World Skate asking for a waiver from attending the Pan American Championships, but have not received a reply. If we can get the waiver, then the Ladies will be able to participate in Barcelona. We are also going to request the information on the contract and costs of holding the 2020 Pan American Championships in the United States. The Committee will research this and hopefully get approval from USARS if we can either break even on the costs or make a little money for Rink Hockey.

7. **New Business: Responses:** Tom is still researching the costs of shot clocks and the possibility of adding a shot clock to our scoreboard program. A question was brought up about the outcome at the board meeting. Tom advised them that the Minutes were not approved as of yet, so he could not report on the results.
8. **Next Committee Meeting:** January 9, 2019