

Agenda
Rink Hockey Conference Call
Wednesday February 19, 2020

Attendance:

Committee Members: Jim Jots (Chairman, 2021 Team USA Men's Manager Treasurer - Voting), Bryce Robinson (Regional Rep. - Voting), Duane McMinn (Chairman of Referee Committee - Voting), Pat Ferguson (Committee Member, 2021 Team USA Men's Coach - Voting), Scott Ferguson (Athlete Representative - Voting), Don Allen (Committee Member, Coaches Committee, Non-Voting), Rachel Trussell (Female Representative - Voting), Jim Trussell (Committee Member – Voting) and Rodrigo Calvo-Leni (Secretary, Athletic Representative - Voting).

Non-Committee Members: Kylie Hughes (Rink Hockey Athlete Representative to the Board of Directors – Non-Voting, will act at voting proxy for Tom Hughes during meeting), Brent Sisson (Lubbock Club Representative – Non-Voting), Nic Robinson (2021 Team USA Ladies Coach, Non-Voting), Brent Benson (USARS Staff Advisor – Non-Voting)

Timekeeper: Scott

1) Treasurer's Report: Jim Time 5 minutes

- a) Current Balance: \$7038.39
- b) Activity: None
- c) **Motion 1:** by Scott to approve treasurer's report.
 - i) Seconded by Bryce
 - ii) Passed unanimously

2) Referee Committee Report: Duane Time 10 Minutes

- a) Update on the Ocala Tournament
 - i) Good tournament.
 - ii) One direct red card in the tournament.
- b) Is the Lubbock Tournament Sanctioned? Brent
 - i) Not sanctioned yet but has been told that it will be sanctioned.

3) Coach's Report: Don/Brent Time 10 minutes

- a) DON Level 1 test completion
 - i) Don has completed the test
 - (1) Covers general rules.
 - (2) Don will share the Level 1 test with the committee for review and approval before it goes live and will send Rink Hockey manuals to Brent Benson.
 - (3) Don will reach out to Brent B. for information needed for the level 2 and 3 tests
 - (4) Coaches will have to apply to take the coaches test online, and USARS will send you a copy.
 - ii) Coach breakdowns used in other disciplines. Brent

4) National Championship Scoreboard and Shot Clock

- a) Will be requesting volunteers to help run the scoreboard.
- b) Don has shot clock hardware.
- c) New shot clock required. Duane will carry request to the Finance Committee.

5) 2020 Pan American Games

- a) Brent Benson said they need information by Feb. 21st about the facilities intended for the Pan American Games. World Skate will decide which US bid to consider.
 - i) Further information will be requested soon.
 - ii) Brent Sisson has a commitment from the City of Lubbock who is interested in hosting and financing the Pan American Games.
 - iii) United Florida club is also interested in applying to host the 2020 Pan American Games
- b) Two other countries are planning on bidding for the 2020 Pan American Games.

6) Club Representative Committee Report: Scott Time 10 minutes

- a) Call was postponed until 2/26/2020

7) Old Business:

- a) Update on National Team Development Program: Jimmy
 - i) Holding a camp on the first weekend of May in Cumberland, MD.
 - (1) Payments will be submitted through USARS
 - (2) Online event page will go live soon.
 - ii) Mass email explaining the program has been sent out and posted in social media. Info will be in the front page of the USARS page on 2/20/20.
 - iii) Further rink commitments from Olympia, and Lubbock to host camps.
 - (1) Dates at other locations have not been set yet. Likely have a second camp in the fall.
- b) Update on TEAM USA Conference Call Structure and Camps, Tiers, Selection Process, Fees: Jim
 - i) Three Tier System for Ladies, Juniors and Seniors (See Page 3)
 - (1) Nic presenting changes to tier system where athletes must participate in any selection camp, and the national tournament before the world championship to qualify to participate in the World Roller Games
 - (2) **Motion 2:** Nic Robinson: Athletes must participate in any selection camp for their division, and the national tournament before the world championship in order to qualify to participate at the World Roller Games as a member of Team USA.
 - (a) Seconded by Rodrigo
 - (b) Discussion on whether it should be camp and/or nationals, or camp and nationals.
 - (c) Motion is tabled and will be discussed via email.
 - ii) Kevin Hayes proposal on Team USA Camp fees (See Page 3, under Section 10)
 - (1) Discussion on fees proposed. Will discuss it further in the next Team USA leadership call.

- (2) Kylie suggested using <https://www.squadlocker.com/> for merchandizing
 - (a) Allows each player to be responsible for their own shirt, etc.
- iii) Discussion USARS Spring Board Meeting March 28th Preparation. What do we need?
 - Jim
 - (1) Tabled until March meeting.
- iv) Multiple year card blending with other disciplines: Brent
 - (1) Brent Benson has updated the proposal to add all disciplines. Will send to the committee on 2/20/20 for review and approval in order to be presented to the USARS Board during the spring meeting.
- v) Update Live Stream at Nationals – Help, discounted facility entrance fee: Brent/Bryce
 - (1) Following day entrance fee as payment for volunteering is possible.
 - (a) Brent stated that Art and Speed skating have people work the camera 4 hours (2 – 2 hour shifts) in order to get free admission the following day. Suggested for us to have them work 4 games instead.
 - (2) USARS is looking to provide a camera to use for streaming since we will be going through the USOC site and not Facebook live.
- vi) 2020 Nationals Site Update Sport Court floor – possible new wood floor: Brent/Jim
 - (1) Still working on a floor. Currently testing a composite wood floor, which is used to the artistic skating world championships. Will not be skating on the original floor that was shown to Jim.
 - (2) Venue currently has a sport court that could be used, which would likely be very slick.
- vii) Players Nationals Late Fee Discussion on Rachel’s Proposal: Rachel
 - (1) Rachel sent the proposal via email to the committee.
 - (2) Discussion on proposal which will allow for late fee registration of players but will not allow for late team registration.
 - (3) **Motion 3:** Jim T. to pass the Late Fee Proposal
 - (a) Seconded by Rodrigo
 - (b) Passed unanimously
 - (c) Motion will be sent to Brent Benson to check and pass on to Executive Board.
- viii) Update on 90-Day Final Notice for Money Owed Brent
- ix) All coaches and officials must have background checks and SafeSport.
 - (1) All players of 18 years of age or older will required to have an approved SafeSport.
 - (2) Team USA players over the age of 18 will be required to have an approved background check as well.

8) New Business:

- a) Discussion on Finance Representative: Duane
 - i) Duane was elected as finance representative for Rink Hockey.
 - ii) Send any ideas of things needed by Rink Hockey to Duane

- b) Nominations for Rink Hockey Player or the Year, Bill Sisson Award, Meritorious Service Brent
- c) Award Nominations: Do we strongly believe we have nominations for the following awards, Athlete and Coaches Hall of Fame, Distinguished Service Hall of Fame, Sportsmanship award, Lifetime Service award and Lifetime membership award. Brent
 - i) Send any nominations to Jim J. and Brent B. no later than Friday 2/21/20
- d) USARS does not collect private information like social security numbers.
- e) Discussion on the 2019-2020 Goals for the Strategic Plan Brent
 - i) Goal 1 Amateur Card Implementation
 - (1) Sub Goal 1.A Set Recurring Dates for deadlines
 - (2) Sub Goal 1.B Reinforce Tournament Sanctions and Rules
 - ii) Goal 2 Organize Training Camps
 - (1) Sub Goal 2.A One each, Players East Coast, Central, West Cost
 - (2) Sub Goal 2.B Create sources to control the details of the camps
 - iii) Goal 3 Organize Team USA Camps
 - (1) Sub Goal 3.A Juniors Ladies Seniors
 - (2) Sub Goal 3.B East Central West
 - iv) Goal 4 Organize a Referee's Seminar
 - (1) Sub Goal 4.A Set Dates and Location
 - (2) Sub Goal 4.B Training Manual/Tests
 - v) Goal 5 Develop Grassroots Sub-Committee
 - (1) Sub Goal 5.A Reach out to Skating Facilities in Areas Where Clubs are Located
 - (2) Sub Goal 5.B Update manuals on "How to Form a Club" and hockey training manual.

9) TEAM USA TIER SELECTION PROCESS – Discussed above.

- a) TIER 1 First Players to be Selected
 - i) Consists of players who attended at least one of the camps AND the National Selection camp.
- b) TIER 2 Will be the next players contacted if needed.
 - i) Consists of players who attended one of the camps BUT NOT the National selection camp or player that DID NOT attend the camps but DID attend the National selection camp.
- c) TIER 3 Will be the next players contacted after Tier 1 & 2 if needed.
 - i) Consists of players who did not attend either of the camps NOR the National selection camp but have expressed a desire to be considered if needed.

10) TEAM USA CAMP FEE STRUCTURE

- a) Camp cost \$100.00 advance and \$125.00 late. (Scholarships available based on need)
 - i) All attendees will receive:
 - (1) Skills and Drill Booklet
 - (2) Offence and Defense scheme
 - (3) 12+ hours of skate time

- (4) 3+ hours of Chalk talk and review
- (5) Exit interview and assessment
- (6) Drills and skills to work on
- (7) Camp Shirt
 - (a) Local vendor pricing
 - (b) White Ts, S-XL: \$2.70 each + printing
 - (c) 2XL: \$5.64 each + printing
 - (d) 3XL: \$6.86 each + printing
 - (i) For printing:
 - (ii) 2 color, 1 location imprint: \$2.50 each
 - (iii) Based on 100 pcs.
- (8) Access to private Ladies TEAM USA 2020 FB Page

11) Next Committee Meeting: March 18th

Approved by: 8 Approve, 1 Abstain