

Rink Hockey Committee Call

Sunday, September 5, 2021

Location _ Zoom Meeting

Call To Order

Roll Call _ Rodrigo Calvo-Leni

Committee Members: Pat Ferguson (Committee Member, 2021 Team USA Men's Coach - Voting), Scott, Bryce Robinson (Regional Rep. - Voting), Jim Trussell (Committee Member – Voting), Rachel Trussell (Female Representative - Voting), Brent Sisson (Voting), and Rodrigo Calvo-Leni (Secretary, Athletic Representative - Voting).

Non-Committee Members: Kevin Hayes (2021 Team USA Ladies' Manager, and Club Representative Sub-Committee Representative), Kevin Lemons (2021 Team USA U19 Manager), William Mihay (Rink Hockey Athlete Representative to the Board of Directors – Non-Voting), Lestine Harris, and Nic Robinson (2021 Team USA Ladies' Coach).

Previous Meeting Minute _ **Approved** Friday, September 17, 2021

1. New Business _

- a. Pan American Championship
 - i. 2021 Rink Hockey Pan American Championship have been rescheduled for November, week before Thanksgiving.
 1. Discussion was not had with USARS Committee or Board.
 2. Brent had discussed with Carlos to postponed until conditions were safer, and discussed full cancellation of event.
 - a. Heidi Permatteo, President of USARS had scheduled a call with Brent S. and Jorge Ivan Roldan Perez, General Secretary for World Skate America, to which Jorge did not show up to.
 - ii. Discussion with team coaches and managers.
 1. Overall sentiment from coaches, managers, and committee is a preference to not participate in the tournament and pull USARS support.
 - a. Some of the players are still interested in playing depending on COVID conditions.
 - b. Many players are concerned about time off in November.
 - c. Some concern regarding time off a week prior to Thanksgiving.
 2. Further discussion regarding participation in the Americana Tournament in January/February 2022, in Argentina.
 - a. Team managers and coaches will discuss the possibility of participating in the Americana Tournament.

- b. Specific date has not been finalized.
 - c. Tournament will be held in the same facility as the upcoming World Roller Games.
 - d. Tournament will have national team division as well as club divisions but Juniors, Senior Ladies, and Senior Men.
 - i. All clubs interested in participating must be approved by USARS.
- iii. **Motion 1** by Pat to withdraw from the Pan American Championship due to rising COVID cases nationwide.
- 1. Seconded by Rodrigo.
 - 2. Motion carries unanimously.
- b. Duane McMinn has stepped down as head referee.
- i. Unclear if he has resigned from the committee.
 - ii. Only people eligible to be committee head referee are international referee.
 - 1. Need to confirm the bylaws to see who/what qualifies as an international referee.
 - a. If you are aged out from referring an international tournament, do you still count as an international referee.
- c. Committee positions are available, and applications are due to USARS soon.
- d. Sub Committee Town Hall meeting will change name.
- i. Kevin Hayes will inform Rodrigo once new name has been decided.

Next Meeting _ September 22, 2021.

- 1. **Motion 2** by **Rodrigo** to end Meeting.
 - a. Seconded by **Bryce**.
 - b. Motion passed.

Minutes Approval: Approved by 4, 4 no responses.