

Minutes
Rink Hockey Conference Call
Wednesday April 18, 2018
10:00pm EDT

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

- 1. Treasurer's Report: \$ 5736.85**

- 2. Referee committee Report : Duane did not attend call. Tom will get the list of compensated officials sent to him. Any Volunteer Officials interested in helping out at Nationals, should contact Duane McMinn.**

- 3. Coach's Report: The new coach's application is up on USARS website. You can apply for a restricted or #1 commission, which must include a background check and the USOC safe sport program. After one year, you can ask for an upgrade to a #2 commission. You must hold the #2 commission for 2 years prior to applying for the #3 Test.**

- 4. BOD Attention: Tom will present a list of items we are concerned about including the layout, dressing rooms, warm up area, video streaming, officials table and scoreboard location. He will get it all locked in by the end of the BOD meeting on Sunday, April 29.**

- 5. Selection Camps: April 28-29 in Cumberland; May 19-20 in Olympia As of now, we have 6 Men and 9 U20 Men signed up for the Cumberland camp and 6 Men and 2 U20 Men signed up for the May camp in Olympia. We will get a report on the 2 camps at the next conference call.**

- 6. 2019 WRG Requirements: Last we heard World Skate was going to require the U.S. to skate the Pan American Championships to be eligible for the World Games in Barcelona. Tom has petitioned World Skate and the Pan Am Federation to divide the North and South American continents and to allow us to use our North American championships being held at our Nationals to qualify us for the World Games. Most of our players would find it next to impossible to attend the Pan Am's in December and then turn around in 6 months and have to take another trip to Europe. He has received some favorable response, but nothing definite as of yet. Tom believes we should prepare for**

the worst scenario, but we hope they will recognize the financial and hardship from time off from our jobs problems and allow us to use our meet as a qualifier. Tom will keep us up to date on his progress.

7. **New Business:** We have very few amateur cards and almost no sanctions issued this season, which makes us look very bad in the eyes of the USOC. We need to get cards for EVERYONE playing our sport and sanction at least 3 tournaments for each registered Club. This would make us look a thousand times better to the USOC. We need numbers and tournaments to build our local grassroots programs, especially in the lower age groups. This is where our future lies. Our 2019 National Championships WILL NOT be in Lincoln. We have 3-4 other Cities that have sent bids into our National office. USARS will have the City selected by the middle of June.

8. **Next Committee Meeting:** Wednesday, May 23.

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