

Actions of the USATT High Performance Committee (HPC)  
February – March 2015

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During February – March 2015, the HPC did not hold any formal meetings or conference calls. However, the following summary of its actions and discussions is offered to inform USATT members about the HPC's activities conducted by email, and through participation in the other USATT activities.

1. The HPC reviewed and discussed at considerable length the applications for the direct athlete support program. As an applicant for Para program direct support, Tahl Leibovitz did not review the Para applications or participate in that discussion. The products of these discussions were recommendations forwarded to USATT CEO Gordon Kaye, for his final decision as to the players and award amounts.
2. After continuing discussions, the HPC decided to modify its policy and adopt separate trial events for juniors and cadets at the U.S. Open, involving team-eligible players only. The format for these trials was also developed.
3. Selection procedures for the 2015 Para National Junior team were approved and posted.
4. The HPC reviewed the results of the adult national team trials, including the special consideration group for players who withdrew due to injury or illness. The HPC decided to stay with the trial results for team selection, and not to use the special consideration group procedure.
5. Candidates for the team leader position at the Para Pan Am Games were discussed to help develop an HPC recommendation.