Chair Anne Cribbs called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. EDT.

1. **Roll Call and Administrative Matters**

   The following board members attended:
   Anne Cribbs (Chair), Larry Hodges, Ed Hogshead, Tara Profitt, Carolyne Savini (7:23), Gary Schlager, Deepak Somarapu (7:26), Erica Wu.

   Also attending:
   Gordon Kaye (CEO), Dennis Taylor (General Counsel and Secretary), Mark Thompson (COO), Carl Danner (Representative of USTTA Foundation), Jörg Bitzigeio (High Performance Director), Lee Kondo (member).

   A quorum was established. No conflicts were reported.

2. **Review and Approval of Minutes from the June meeting**

   **MOTION 1. MOVED** to approve the Minutes from June 9, 2018, as submitted.

   Movant: Larry Hodges
   Second: Carolyne

   Motion passed unanimously by voice vote, 6-0-0.

3. **High Performance Update**

   - Mr. Bitzigeio presented the report.
   - In the past month, USATT had two good training camps, in New Jersey and Colorado Springs (“COS”).
• A highlight of the COS camp was joint physical training with USA Boxing.
• 22 junior athletes are competing abroad at the moment.

4. September 21-23 In Person Board Meeting Logistics Update

• The meeting will be held at the COS Olympic Training Center (“OTC”).
• Unfortunately, Ms. Profitt will not be able to attend.
• Members are to arrive on Friday, Sept. 21.
• OTC will provide a shuttle to the COS airport.
• Proposed airline reservations are requested by September 1.
• There will be an off-site dinner on Sept. 21.
• The meeting is projected to close at 4:00 pm MDT.

5. Preparation for September 2018 Meeting (Proposed Agenda Items)

• USOC NGB Compliance Update
  ▪ five deficiencies out of 101 points checked, one already cured
  ▪ two By-Law Amendments and one SafeSport amendment will be circulated by Aug. 20
  ▪ Strategic Planning Process
  ▪ Basis for Strategic Planning Process
    ▪ September Presentation by Denise Parker
    ▪ Process of Identifying Potential Planning Group Members
    ▪ Plan to Survey Membership
    ▪ Potential Dates for November SP Planning Group Meeting
• Staffing and Organizational Structure
  ▪ does it make sense for USATT to continue to operate its events
• USATT Event Discussion
• New Co – ITTF North America
• Strategic Direction of USATT
  ▪ Plan for Increasing Value for Membership (Individuals and Clubs)
  ▪ Decentralizing HQ and Empowering Regional Administrative Authorities
• 2018-19 Board Elections
• 2019 Committees Process
  ▪ Review of Latest Updated Committee Reports
• Financial Update
• Overall finances
• USATT Events (Nationals, WVC)
• Fundraising
• Insurance Coverage Review (D & O and Comprehensive Liability Coverages)
  ▪ Impact of State and Federal Rules, and Regulations on Board Activities
• Code of Conduct for USATT Membership
• Potential Revisions and Amendments to By-Laws for Member Conduct
• Other agenda items proposed by the board
  ▪ suggestions for further topics are requested by Aug. 24
• DT to remind committee chairs to submit reports
6. **Executive Session**

   The Board went into Executive Session at 7:37. [Note: Minutes are not kept in Executive Session.]

   The Board returned to general session at 8:11.

7. **Old Business**

   n/a

8. **New Business**

   - The US Open is being revamped to create more meaningful matches for more categories of entrants.
   - The ITTF is creating a WVC-type tour. The 2018 US Open will host the kick-off event for the 2019 tour.
   - December 15-16 are the likely dates for the December in-person meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m. EDT.

Respectfully submitted by,

Dennis Taylor
Secretary