

Minutes
USA Triathlon Board of Directors
Teleconference
May 4, 2015

Board Members Present:

Staci Brode
Ben Collins
Chuck Graziano
Susan Haag
Kevin Haas
Dave Kuendig
Jacqueline McCook
Joel Rosinbum
Barry Siff, President
Kevin Sullivan
Bob Wendling, Ex-Officio
Mike Wien

Staff: Rob Urbach, CEO

Absent: Steven Sexton

Siff called the meeting to order at 8:02 p.m. EDT

President's Opening Remarks – Siff made some brief introductory comments regarding membership, membership size discrepancies between Regions, the need to focus on membership and growing Sprint and Olympic distance events, recent elite performances, the Dallas meeting and schedule (arriving Friday, meeting all day Saturday, dinner Saturday, and meeting until noon), and the need to focus on doing things right and well.

Approval of Minutes

Motion (by Graziano and seconded): To approve the March 16, 2015 Meeting Minutes. Approved by unanimous voice vote.

Treasurer's Report – Haas discussed the financial reports he received 4/28/15 and the summary he distributed this evening. The 990 and audit are scheduled to be ready for review within the next few weeks.

Action item: The Staff will forward all future monthly and quarterly financial reports to all Board members at the same time they are distributed to the Treasurer.

Office Update – Urbach discussed two recent fatalities; one during a pool swim and one in the hospital days after the event. He also discussed Collegiate Nationals and the NCAA Summit at Clemson, the elite women’s success in Cape Town, the CAMTRI Championships, Fantasy Camp, a focus group last week seeking to elevate the stature of Olympic and Sprint distance races among members and the intent to present a full analysis in Dallas, the rollout of the new membership portal last week, the revamped Level 1 coaching program, the membership survey to be rolled out in a few days (the first since 2002), and Try It Forward is almost ready to be rolled out.

New Business

Hall of Fame Update – Siff reported that the Boston event was a sold out success. Wendling explained the Hall of Fame Executive Committee (5 members) discovered they do not all have the right to vote on nominees, and the Hall of Fame Executive Committee’s request that the following motion be approved by the Board.

Motion: (by McCook and seconded) to add to the Hall of Fame (HOF) guidelines that members of the HOF Voting Committee shall include members of the HOF Executive Committee. Approved by unanimous voice vote.

AGNC 2016 – Urbach reported the process followed that resulted in 5 bids out of 47 requests for proposals, the staff’s belief that Omaha and Seattle would be suitable locations, and that Omaha offered the most support and fits USAT’s current needs the best.

Motion: (by Sullivan and seconded) to approve Omaha as the host location for USAT Age Group Nationals in 2016 and 2017 with an option to cancel the second year if there are problems with the 2016 event. Approved by unanimous voice vote.

Unfinished Business

Bylaws and Governance Review – Siff reminded the Board that Melanie Herman will be in contact with the Board to review the Bylaws and discuss any recommendations to the Board regarding any recommended revisions to the Bylaws.

Motion: (by Graziano and seconded) to adjourn. Approved by unanimous voice vote.

Adjourned at 9:05 p.m. EDT