

**USA Water Ski & Wake Sports
Executive Committee Call
Meeting Minutes
March 2, 2022**

Archambeau called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM ET.

ROLL CALL

In Attendance: Bob Archambeau (President); Doug Robbins (Chairman of the Board); Dale Stevens (Vice President); Doug Ribley (NSSA President, At-Large Member); Joel Johanningmeier (Treasurer/Secretary); Nate Boudreaux (Executive Director, nonvoting); Kate Knafla (AWSA VP, nonvoting); Jim Grew (Past President, non-voting); Jason Lee (AAC Rep); Alex Laurentano (AAC Rep); Tim Cullen (Immediate Past President, non-voting).

Absent: None

Archambeau opened the call by updating the group on his progress reaching out to Sport Discipline presidents regarding board and committee rosters. Each board and committee member needs to fill out the electronic conflict of interest and code of conduct agreement (<https://forms.gle/FzLm7s8tdA1G7Wnm8>). Archambeau also discussed the need to evaluate the organization's current committee makeup to determine if select committees could be retired (due to inactivity) and/or reclassified as working groups. The main current challenge with having so many committees is getting 33.3% athlete representation.

Boudreaux added that he will work Laurentano, Archambeau, Jeff Smith and Jeff Clark to assist in identifying athletes who would qualify to serve as AAC reps on boards and/or committees. A list of qualifying athletes from each Sport Discipline has been created to assist the AAC in the selection process.

Archambeau suggested USA-WSWS create short outline/talking points as an "introduction to Safe Sport" to be used by event hosts at Jr. Development Clinics and for foreign officials to help create awareness for Safe Sport and the Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies (MAAPP). Grew suggested the U.S. Center for Safe Sport or the USOPC may already have something similar for us to use.

Boudreaux provided the following HQ updates:

- **Financials** – The 2021 financials were shared with the EC and will be sent to the BOD the week of March 7 along with the financial notes. The annual financial audit with third-party accounting firm Waugh & Goodwin will begin later this month.
- **New membership system (Integrass)** – Continuing to identify bugs and fixes within the new membership system. Most issues are involving Safe Sport status (API from membership database to Safe Sport database – one database talking to the other), consolidating duplicate membership records (members registering again vs. renewing which causes two membership records) and family membership issues when someone tied to a family also registers as an individual member.

- **U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs Adaptive Grant**
 - Clinics - Adaptive clinics for veterans confirmed in 9 of 10 locations starting in early May and running through August; adaptive equipment for each clinic has been ordered along with other ski equipment from USA-WSWS partners.
 - May 14th – Tampa, FL /Ann’s Angels
 - May 23rd – San Marcos, TX / Texas Regional Para Sport & San Marcos River Ranch
 - June 4th – Lakeland, FL /Central Florida Show Ski Team
 - June 18th – Richmond, VA /Lake of the Woods
 - July 8th – Pohick Bay, VA/On the Edge (pending certified driver and safety)
 - July 16th – Chico, CA /CARDS
 - July 30th – Charlotte, NC /ASAP
 - TBD – Columbia, SC /Bud Davis
 - Equipment Grants – Currently have three applicants (grants are for a minimum of 10 veteran adaptive skiers). The hope is to recruit more equipment grant applicants after the first few clinics.
- **Hit It! Podcast** launched in mid-February hosted by Tyler Boyd. Initial reviews were very positive. Scot Ellis was the first guest. The next episode will be with Regina Jaquess followed by Marcus Brown and Freddy Krueger. Close to 300 downloads of the first episode. We will continue to promote via magazine, e-newsletters and social media.
 - <https://usawaterskihitit.podbean.com/>

Boudreaux will send out Doodle poll for the best day/time of the BOD first quarter update meeting slated for late March.

NEXT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23, 2022

ADJOURNMENT

Archambeau adjourned the meeting at 1:59 PM ET.