



Board of Directors Teleconference Meeting Minutes

August 6th, 2014

A. Call to Order, Roll Call, Quorum Established, Conflict of Interest Statements

The teleconference meeting was called to order at 5:05 pm EST on August 6th, 2014 by Chairman Mike Babuin. Roll Call was taken and a quorum was established. A routine call for conflicts of interest was made, and there were no conflicts reported.

Members present:

Mike Babuin, Chairman of the Board (COB)
Peter Scudner, Independent Director
Kagin Lee, National Organization Director
Attila Malek, Club Representative Director
Jim McQueen, At Large Director

Also in attendance:

Doru Gheorghe, Interim Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Chief Operating Officer (COO), High Performance & Technical Director
Dennis Taylor, Secretary & General Counsel (entered at 5:52 pm)
Deborah Gray, Chief Financial Officer (CFO)
Lee Kondo, Assistant Secretary

B. COI and COE Submission Status

Ms. Gray continues to monitor COI and COE form submission status.

C. Approval of the June 29-30th Minutes

A new format for the minutes was discussed. Mr. Scudner and Mr. Lee will email their revisions of the Minutes to Mr. Kondo. The Minutes will then be distributed to Board members for their approval.

D. ORAC and Sanctioning

This topic was tabled to the next meeting.

E. CEO Search

The Compensation Committee met and narrowed the field to three candidates. Candidate resumes were distributed to Board members. Telephone interviews will be conducted.

F. Junior Committee Chair Replacement

MOTION:

MOVED to appoint Mr. Ben Nisbet as Chair of the Junior Committee.

Movant: Kagin Lee

Second: Attila Malek

Discussion: No significant conflict of interest exists.

The Motion was passed unanimously.

G. Financial Report for the US Open

Ms. Gray reported a net income of \$41,000 for the U.S. Open compared to the \$45,000 budgeted income for the event. . There were 701 entries. Mr. Sweeris raised \$54,000 in local sponsorships, permitting him to increase prize money.

H. Balls for U.S. Nationals

USATT is in a transition phase from use of the celluloid ball to use of the non-celluloid ball for tournaments. The CEO will send the COB a list of recommended U.S. Nationals events (e.g., men's singles, women's singles) which might use the non-celluloid ball.

The COB will provide information to the Board regarding availability of Nittaku's Premium non-celluloid ball for use in tournaments.

I. Marketing Committee Update

This topic was tabled until the next meeting.

J. Old Business

There was no old business.

K. Executive Session

The Board went into Executive Session at 6:15 pm. No minutes are taken at Executive Sessions.

Mr. Scudner left the meeting at 6:40 pm. Open session was resumed at 6:42 pm.

L. New Business - Jared Wong Proposal, 2016 U.S. Open, Senior Games

Mr. Wong sent a proposal to collect used table tennis equipment for distribution to schools for use. USATT via the interim CEO will respond to this proposal.

Possible venues for the 2016 U.S. Open were discussed. The COB will help the present CEO with contacting possible site locations. This topic will be discussed again as an agenda item in the future.

For the 2015 U.S. Open to be held in Las Vegas, hotel options will be explored.

The CEO sent the COB a proposal for a Senior Games tournament which was briefly discussed.

M. Next Meeting

The next scheduled Board meeting will be held on Saturday, September 27th in Chicago, Illinois.

N. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:44 pm ET.

Respectfully submitted by:

Lee Kondo
Assistant Secretary