

USOA Underwater Hockey Committee Minutes

Tuesday, July 23, 2019

8-9:30pm (EDT), 7-8:30pm (CDT), 6-7:30pm (MDT), 5-6:30pm (PDT)

*****NEW*****

Participant Instructions

1. Call your dial-in number: **(605) 468-8757**
2. Enter the access code: **796706**

UWH Committee Members:

Karen Thullner, Chair 2016-2020
Paul Byrne, Vice Chair 2017-2020
Diana Madden, Secretary 2016-2020
Kurt Allen, Member at Large 2017-2019
Jon Paden, Member at Large 2018-2020
Andrei Savu, Member at Large 2017-2019
Eric Straily, Financial Secretary 2015-2019

Upcoming Meeting Schedule

August 27, 2019 September 24, 2019 October 22,
2019 November 26, 2019 December 24, 2019 (subject to change)

1. Call Meeting to Order **7:08pm CST**
 - a. Committee Members Present: **KT, Paul, Andrei, Eric, Kurt**
 - b. Non- Committee members: **Carol, Don, Dave**
2. Approval of Agenda. **Agenda Approved.**
3. Approval of May 28th Minutes. **Minutes Approved.**
4. Financial Secretary/Treasurer's Report: Eric. **No updates.**
5. Director's Reports
 - a. Rules Director - Don Mathews - **The rules passed at World's 2018 have not been set out.**
 - a. Referee Director – John Kulsa. **The report was given by Don for John.**
 - Level one training was done at nationals with the assistance of Paul Wittekind. There were 12 participants. Level one training revamp will be done September 1.**
 - A webinar is planned for September 12. This will include Levels 1, 2, 3.**
 - Standards for referees are becoming standardized for all tournaments.**
 - Sketches are needed to complete the training program. The cost is approximately \$300. A request up to \$500 on new animated graphics for the program was granted.**
 - i. Referee Training Coordinator - Position Vacant
 - a. Development Director – Position Vacant
 - .Regional Directors
 1. Northeast – Jennifer Biener
 2. Northwest - Position Vacant
 3. Southeast – Patrick Partington

4. Inland – Damir Djidic
 5. Southwest – Position Vacant
 6. Women’s – Brigit Grimm
 7. Men’s – Position Vacant
 8. Collegiate – Ben Holtzman
 9. Juniors – Gustavo Pesce
- d. National Teams Coordinator – Dave Boutcher
- .Dave sent in an intent to participate for World’s 2020. **The intent is to send 4 teams and 4 refs.**
- e. Competitions Director – Jennifer Whitman
 - f. Safety Director – Position Vacant

Old Business:

6. World’s 2022 Bid was withdrawn.
7. Athlete of the Year and Team of the Year awards- KT and Andrei
- a. **Development based, 1st quarter submission for announcement at nationals.**
- b. **Awards focused on teams, i.e. number of new players, number of tournaments.**
- c. **Awards could engraved pucks, sticks or USOA membership.**
- d. **Regional directors can lead a committee to select individuals, teams.**
8. Election Committee: KT, Jon, Paul and Diana
- . Nominations were received from Kurt Allen, Andrei Savu and Lincoln Farabee.
- a. **Kurt and Andrei were elected by a ballot of acclamation.**
9. CMAS UWH Commission positions. Deadline is June 23, 2019
 - a. Coaching Committee
 - b. Development Committee
 - c. Referee Committee - John Kulsa
10. Annual Meeting Report **was held in Orlando.**

New Business:

11. Sexual harassment policy request sent to USOA. **The committee will work in conjunction with USOA to for a policy and reporting system.**
12. **The website needs to be updated with current documents. A volunteer is needed to take over the site.**

Adjournment: **8:14pm CST**