



## USA RACQUETBALL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Teleconference

Monday, July 22, 2019

5:30 pm Mountain time

### MINUTES

**Called to order at 5:32 MT**

**Blue = motions**

#### **Roll Call -- Cheryl Kirk**

**Attending:** Steve Czarnecki (Treasurer), Jose Diaz (Athlete Rep), Scott Fish (Vice President), Mike Kiedrowski, Cheryl Kirk (Secretary), Terry Rogers, Aimee Ruiz (Athlete Rep), Stewart Solomon, Cindy Tilbury, Mike Wedel (Executive Director), Dan Whitley (President)

**Not attending:** Joel Barshaw, Thurman Brooks, Michelle De La Rosa (Athlete Rep), Joanne Pomodoro

A quorum was achieved. President Whitley provided prior notice of the meeting.

**Approval of Consent Agenda** (see provided consent agenda and meeting minutes)

**Motion by Terry Rogers:** Approve the consent agenda forwarded by President Whitley prior to this call.

**Seconded by Aimee Ruiz**

**Discussion:** None

**Vote:** Passed unanimously, 9-0

**Motion by Cheryl Kirk to go to closed session**

**Seconded by Terry Rogers**

**Vote:** Unanimously passed

**The Board entered closed session**

An account of the discussion is available in the Secretary's records. The Board returned to open session.

#### **US Team Committee -- Ratification Vote Requested**

The US Team Committee chaired by Larry Haemmerle requested that the Board consider and vote to ratify the following US Junior Team Staff to serve the US Junior Team Delegation at the IRF World Junior Championships in November: Charlie Pratt, Head Coach; Jen Meyer, Esprit Coach; Jody Nance, Assistant Coach/Athletic Trainer; Robbie Collins, Assistant Coach; Tony Carson, Assistant Coach; Cheryl Kirk, Team Leader

Motion by Terry Rogers: Ratify the US Team Committee's recommendation on the US Junior Team Staff for the IRF World Junior Championship in November 2019.

Seconded by Mike Kiedrowski

Discussion: None

Vote: 8 yes, 1 abstention (Cheryl Kirk)

### **National Events Committee Update**

Mike Wedel described two potential locations in Texas for the 2019 USAR National Singles Championship. Further research and discussions are taking place with both.

He projects either location can draw 350-500. The National Events Committee will meet again on 8/20/19 to deliberate further.

Mike informed the Board of the Committee's decision for next year's dates for National Singles to be June 3-7, 2020. No concerns were expressed.

Motion by Aimee Ruiz: Change the name of the USAR Junior Olympic Championships to USAR National Junior Championships.

Seconded by Cheryl Kirk

Discussion: Comment regarding use of the word Olympic.

Vote: Passed unanimously, 9-0

Mike shared the Committee's discussion and recommendation on how awards are given in combined round robin situations at national events. Show winners in divisions originally entered along with the combined results in R2. USAR will record the winner as shown in the division the player entered and placed. If someone entered a 60+ division, that's where they will place. Award medals to winners of division entered, not the combined division. All matches count.

Motion by Terry Rogers: Accept the National Event Committee's recommendation on clarifying and formalizing how medals/titles are awarded in combined round robins at national events. Ensure and describe how every match counts in the combined division toward the overall standings and then for the results calculated for each division originally entered. Divisions originally entered will receive 1-4 as the number of entries dictate. No medals will be awarded for the combined division itself. Add the verbiage to the entry flyer and the R2 site.

Seconded by Cindy Tilbury

Discussion: A Board member asked whether this was really a change. The verbiage of the motion was revised to include the words "clarifying and formalizing" with Terry Rogers's agreement.

Vote: Passed unanimously, 9-0

### **Financial Update -- Steve Czarnecki and Mike Wedel**

Topics discussed included US Team expenses 2018 vs. 2019 and invoicing for sponsorships.

The Board was asked if there were any objections to pursuing a line of credit for the association. No objections were raised.

### **Strategic Plan and Marketing Needs Updates -- Mike Wedel**

Mike will be attending onboarding meetings at the USOPC, September 4-6, 2019. One topic for discussion is to explore the offer of USOPC assistance with USA Racquetball's strategic plan (either direct assistance or a grant).

**US Open Volunteer Assistance Discussion**

Aimee Ruiz posted the search for US Open volunteers on social media. Terry Rogers and Cheryl Kirk will assist with the ProGOLD Lounge schedule beginning with the template that was established last year. Assistance will be needed from volunteer shuttle drivers.

**Meeting Schedule**

Due to scheduling conflicts, the next two Board meetings will be one week earlier than normal: August 19 and September 23. The following Board meeting will be an in-person meeting on October 2 in Minneapolis at the US Open.

Aimee Ruiz moved to adjourn.

Seconded by Terry Rogers

**Adjourned 7:08 pm Mountain time**

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Materials provided prior to meeting by President Whitley, Secretary Kirk, and Treasurer Czarnecki:

- Consent Agenda
- BOD Minutes as part of Consent Agenda -- Teleconference Meeting 6/24/19
- Financial Documents
  - Financial Update 2019-7-22
  - Profit & Loss Comparative Prior Year (Condensed) January - June 2019