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**REGULAR MEETING of the USAT-AAC**  
May 9, 2020

AAC Chair Barbara Brand called the conference call meeting to order at 8:03 am PDT.

<b>Roll Call of USAT-AAC Members</b>	Present	Absent	Comments
Barbara Brand, Chair	✓		
Nia Abdallah		✓	
Olie Burton	✓		
Logan Gerrick	✓		
Stephen Lambdin		✓	
Bernard Posey		✓	
La Shondra Rawls		✓	
Sanaz Shahbazi	✓		
Corbin Stacey	✓		
Ron Southwick	✓		

**Guests**

None

**I. Approval of AAC Meeting Minutes**

The 4/4 meeting minutes were approved.

**II. Chair Report - B. Brand**

On 5/6 Chair spoke with USA Taekwondo CEO Steve McNally to discuss:

**1. AAC/2021 AAC Candidate Conference Call Post Request**

USAT will post September/October conference calls announcements on USA Taekwondo website and Facebook.

**2. AAC Representation in High Performance Meetings**

S.McNally stated that HP makes decisions from day to day, so scheduling meetings with AAC representatives is not feasible. When asked in what way could AAC representation occur, he stated that HP and AAC would need to form closer ties. When asked what that would look like, he stated that he would ask HP and contact Chair before Saturday, May 9.

S.McNally stated that August 2021 is the deadline for the next HP Plan though it is likely that it will be delayed due to COVID-19.

**3. AAC representation in future USAT commissions**

S.McNally stated that he will put together two commissions, one for Grassroots Sparring and one for Grassroots Poomsae. One AAC representative will be appointed to each commission.

**4. Selection Pathways Groups**

McNally stated that four AAC representatives (two for sparring/two for poomsae) will serve in these groups.

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## 5. USAT Events

S.McNally stated that If COVID-19 safety guidelines allow, USAT will host a regional series (west/east/central) in September/October and the National Championships in November.

6. At the end of the year, S.McNally will make major announcements, including a March to November competitive season that will begin with the US Open and finish with Grand Slam.

### **III. Committee Reports**

Board of Directors - N.Abdallah/S.Lambdin/R.Southwick

The BOD posted proposed bylaw amendments on the USAT website and received comments from USAT members. The amendments have not yet been adopted.

USOC Representative – S. Lambdin/S.

No update was provided on this topic:

S.Lambdin contacted USOC AAC senior representatives regarding the impact of Olympic postponement on AAC terms. The initial response was that a new AAC will be elected in November; however, he will follow up for clear statement.

Audit Committee Representative – N. Abdallah

No report was provided.

Judicial Committee Athlete Representative - O.Burton

No activity occurred in April.

Governance Committee Athlete Representative - R. Southwick/L.Gerrick

No activity occurred in April.

Ethics Committee Athlete Representative - S. Shahbazi

No activity occurred in April. S. Shahbazi has not been contacted by new Ethics chair.

### **IV. Progress of AAC Shared Goals**

**Goal 1:** Ensure HP Representation in High Performance Meetings

See Chair report above.

**Goal 3:** Create USAT club resource sheet

An update regarding contact info flier distribution via USAT membership renewal was not provided.

**Goal 4:** Plan for AAC Succession

Discussion key points included:

AAC Senior representatives: Abdallah, Brand, Lambdin, Southwick will be ineligible for re-election to AAC 2021-2024 term.

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AAC representatives: Burton Corbin, Gerrick, Posey, Rawls, Shahbazi will be eligible to run in November for AAC 2021-2024 term.

Chair contacted eligible AAC representatives to determine interest in serving a second term. Three athletes expressed interest in second term, two are considering it, and one representative did not respond.

During the June meeting:

BOD member R. Southwick will detail the skill set necessary for BOD service.

USOC AAC Representatives, S. Lambdin and S. Shahbazi will be asked to detail the skill set necessary for USOC AAC service.

**NEXT USAT-AAC MEETING:** Saturday, June 6 at 8am PDT/11am EDT.

**ADJOURNMENT** - The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 am PDT.

Meeting Minutes Submitted by: Barbara Brand for Council review.

Meeting Minutes APPROVED for Posting to the Membership on: 6/6/20