
REGULAR MEETING of the USATKD-AAC

March 6, 2021

AAC Chair Carissa Fu called the meeting to order at 11:04AM Eastern.

Roll Call	Present	Absent	Comments
Anastasija Zolotic		X	At Sofia Open
Brianna Salinaro	X		
Carissa Fu	X		
Cheyenne Lewis		X	At Sofia Open
CJ Nickolas	X		
David Turgeon	X		
Hannah Keck	X		
Jaysen Ishida	X		
Madelyn Gorman-Shore		X	
Terrence Jennings	X		

Guests

None

I. Approval of AAC Meeting Minutes

D. Turgeon motioned to approve the 2/06 meeting minutes. H. Keck seconded the motion. There was no discussion or objections. C. Lewis, A. Zolotic, and M. Gorman-Shore abstained out of absence. Meeting minutes were approved with majority vote offline on April 8. .

II. Chair Report

C. Fu provided chair report. On 2/06, C. Fu sent Beth Picknew committee member names and emails to complete the transition process. As announced at the last meeting, USATKD agreed to include 70+ individual division to the US Open. On 2/10, USATKD formally announced the inclusion of the division.

On the logistical front, C.Fu provided Jose with the approved meeting minutes on 2/10 and headshots and emails of all AAC members on 2/12. By 2/23, C.Fu received confirmation that the AAC webpage was updated.

Regarding athlete inquiries, D. Turgeon and C.Fu received a question on 2/17 regarding how the pathways work and consideration of rankings points for non-citizens. On 2/18, D. Turgeon spoke with M. Spence. On 2/21, C. Fu responded to athlete. On 3/03, we've received confirmation of understanding and a follow-up question which D.Turgeon and C.Fu are currently getting clarification on.

On 2/18, C.Fu received an email from M. Spence regarding the Olympic Selection procedures amendment. On 2/19, C.Fu had a phone call with M. Spence, B. Brand, and N. Abdullah to discuss the amendment. On 2/23, C.Fu received the selection procedure to sign but reminded M.Spence of personal conflict and that the USOPC AAC rep should sign so this procedure was sent to J. Ishida.

III. Committee Reports

Board (D.Turgeon, M. Gorman-Shore, J. Ishida)

Report provided by D. Turgeon. So far, the two meetings have been more transitional. In January, the new chair was selected and all new board members were welcomed. S. McNally provided a state of affairs address. In February, S. McNally provided an overview of the USATKD University with a target launch date of March 15. M. Spence provided overview of the current status of the Olympics.

USOPC (J.Ishida)

Due to work conflicts, J. Ishida has not been able to attend the meetings yet but has contacted C. Lewis to fill in if another conflict arrives in the future.

J. Ishida signed off on the Olympic Selection Procedure amendment.

Governance (C.Lewis)

C.Lewis not present. No report provided.

Litigation (A. Zolotic)

A. Zolotic not present. No report provided.

Sponsorship (C. Nickolas)

C. Nickolas reached out to Jose and has been given access to USATKD social media accounts. CJ was invited to join the committee which is scheduling a meeting in March.

Nominating (C.Fu)

There was no meeting last month.

Audit (M. Gorman-Shore)

M. Gorman-Shore not present. No report provided.

Safe Sport (H. Keck/J. Ishida)

There was no meeting last month.

IV. Shared AAC Goals

C. Fu reviewed the results of the AAC shared goals survey and informed the group of the priority goals and teams. Goals reviewed:

Governance

- Update AAC bylaws.
- Review the status of the coaching and board conflict and potentially amend the decision into USATKD bylaws.

Communications

- Articulate Pathways in different ways to increase membership's understanding of the process.
- Increase frequency of communication between USATKD leadership and membership around COVID-19 and current events
- Increase membership benefits by providing athletes and coaches with access to resources like health professionals or webinars

Diversity and Inclusion

- Update website and highlight on social media more about ParaTKD which includes links about classification, qualification, news, a section for ParaTKD under coaches etc.
- Create and disseminate Para national team Pathways
- Host monthly scrimmages or training days in COS that is open to other athletes
- Create a recruitment program which provides incentives to current members for referring new members

Awareness of AAC

- Educate membership on what the AAC is, who the members are, how the AAC works for them. A subgoal is to provide easier access to AAC to allow for greater communication and quick resolution of questions before they reach USA TKD leadership.

There was some discussion around ideas of how to articulate the Pathways better. There was also discussion around making sure AAC works with USATKD to help accomplish these goals.

Next step is for C. Fu to discuss ideas with S. McNally and bring the right staff into the discussion.

NEXT USAT-AAC MEETING: Saturday, April 3 at 8am PST/11am EST.

ADJOURNMENT - The meeting was adjourned at 11:52AM ET.

Meeting Minutes Submitted by: Carissa Fu for Council Review

Meeting Minutes APPROVED for posting to the membership on: April 8, 2021.