Minutes
USA Triathlon Board of Directors
Special Meeting Teleconference
October 27, 2013

Board Members Present:

Barrett Brandon
Susan Haag
Jacqueline McCook
Vince O'Brien
Victor Plata
Steven Sexton
Barry Siff
Kevin Smeltzer
Kevin Sullivan
Jack Weiss
Mike Wien
Bob Wendling, President

Staff: Rob Urbach

Call to order at 7:00 p.m. EST

Opening Remarks:

Wendling called the meeting to order and briefly outlined the topics for the meeting: 1. To consider ratification of the Executive Director's decision (as the Election Administrator) to refer Board member Sexton's eligibility to run for re-election based on his USAT membership status to Hearings and Appeals, and 2. To consider whether or not elite athletes vote for General Directors and Regional Council Representatives, as well as, Resolutions I and II (see attached).

Haag joined the meeting at 7:04 p.m.

Wendling explained USAT legal counsel's opinion that Sexton should recuse himself from the meeting due to a conflict of interest during the consideration of the resolution to refer to Hearings and Appeals.

Motion: (by Plata and seconded) to remain neutral and not get involved in the election process.

Discussion regarding the Executive Director's request for Board ratification of his decision to refer the issue to Hearings and Appeals, as recommended by USOC representatives

Motion: (by Weiss and seconded) to call the question.

Motion roll call vote:

Barrett Brandon	N
Susan Haag	Y
Jacqueline McCook	Y
Vince O'Brien	Y
Victor Plata	N
Steven Sexton	N
Barry Siff	A
Kevin Smeltzer	Y
Kevin Sullivan	Y
Jack Weiss	Y
Mike Wien	A

Motion failed Y – 6, N – 3, A - 2

Main Motion roll call vote:

Barrett Brandon	Y
Susan Haag	N
Jacqueline McCook	A
Vince O'Brien	A
Victor Plata	Y
Steven Sexton	Y
Barry Siff	N
Kevin Smeltzer	N
Kevin Sullivan	N
Jack Weiss	N
Mike Wien	A

Motion failed Y – 3, N – 5, A - 3

Wendling suspended the meeting at 7:42 p.m. EST.

The meeting resumed at 7:49 p.m. EST

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Absent: Steven Sexton

Haag and O'Brien rejoined the call at 7:52 p.m. EST

Urbach rejoined the call at 7:57 p.m. EST

Motion: (by Weiss and seconded) to accept Resolution I as amended to change the second "Resolved" paragraph to read "… the Board hereby ratifies the Executive Director's decision to direct a Panel …", and to eliminate the third "Resolved" paragraph.

Brandon discussed the ACC's scheduled emergency motion to ratify one additional Elite for the Hearings and Appeals Committee and that a second member Elite is considering appointment to that Committee.

Motion roll call vote:

Barrett Brandon	A
Susan Haag	Y
Vince O'Brien	Not present
Jacqueline McCook	Y
Victor Plata	A
Barry Siff	Y
Kevin Smeltzer	Y
Kevin Sullivan	Y
Jack Weiss	Y
Mike Wien	Y

Motion passed Y – 7, N – 0, A - 2

Brandon forwarded Wendling's email with the call in information to Sexton and made a call inviting Sexton to rejoin the meeting at 8:17 p.m. EST.

Motion: (by Wendling and seconded) to postpone until next month's face to face meeting in Colorado Springs the consideration of whether or not elite athletes (both non-pool elites and pool elites without age-group memberships) vote for General Directors and Regional Council representatives.

Discussed the topics addressed in the attached Resolution II, the possibility of continuing the discussion at the Colorado Springs in person meeting next month, and the resulting election time table in obtaining election results due to the passage of Resolution I.

Motion: (by Plata and seconded) to amend the "Resolved" paragraph of Resolution II as follows: "concerns in the Bylaws and directs the AAC to identify areas of concern in the athlete election Rules and to draft proposed amendments…" Approved by unanimous voice vote.

Motion: (by Sullivan and seconded) to postpone the further consideration of Resolution II until next month's face to face meeting in Colorado Springs. Approved by unanimous voice vote.

Motion: (by Weiss and seconded) to adjourn. Approved by unanimous voice vote.

Adjourned at 8:41p.m. EST