

## Board of Directors Meeting Minutes – February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020

### Next Planned Meeting: March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2020

#### **Present:**

Dave Mengyan – Commissioner  
Eric Ingram – President  
Daniel Curtis – 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President  
Michael Klonowski – Secretary  
Amy Bohn – Head of Classification

#### **Absent:**

Mandy Goff/Jen Allred – Representative Lakeshore Foundation  
Michael Cottingham – 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President  
Petra Williams – Classification Representative  
Joe Bongiovanni – Representative for Referees  
Sid Christain – Treasurer

#### **Review:**

- Review and acceptance of prior meeting's minutes

#### **Commissioner's Report:**

- Gotten a lot of feedback on rankings
- Will we use double crossover design again – may be obsolete
- Confirming player eligibility for post season
- Attempting to get permission from IWRF to get balls with Oscar Mike logo for Nationals
- Need to discuss with membership need for scratching names off of roster for folks that aren't attending tournaments – Need a verification process

#### **President's Report:**

- Reminder for people to write their annual reports
- Checking on potential Board position interest - None
- Commissioner may have an option for better call quality
- We need to have a conversation with Oscar Mike about speaker phone quality
- Let's setup call with Oscar Mike to hammer out details with AGM

#### **1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President's Report:**

- Unable to attend

#### **2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President's Report:**

- Auction Items – 3 pairs of Spinergies from Fusion – 2 semifinals and 1 at nationals
- Several applications for Grant money – will decide after assessing applications
- Phoenix Instinct will send luggage for auction to Chicago for Nationals

- Will be reaching out to Social Media for additional shout outs from athletes
- Can we use funding to create more social outreach or livestreaming
- Will need to make final decision on Website

#### **Secretary's Report:**

- Need to confirm award winners for plaques
- Working on acquiring stenographer for AGM
- Working on acquiring photographer for Nationals
- Will confirm voting process for AGM
- 13-14 Grant applications received
- ~6 AGM proposals received – Need to convene Rules Committee for additional proposals and working on edits

#### **Treasurer's Report:**

- Unable to attend
- Any need for Cert of Insurance – contact Sid at treasurer@usqra.org

#### **Classifiers' Report:**

- Saw 14 athletes in Vegas
- Having difficulty staffing Eastern Semifinal. Western Semifinal is staffed
  - Only 4 re-checks at Eastern – is it worth the cost of \$500-700 flights
  - Board is okay with not staffing
- Confirming that AGM is 4-8 – Board confirms – Will be more costly for classifiers to fly in from West Coast

#### **Referees' Report:**

- 1 new certified official from the clinic in Las Vegas, with more requiring extra court time before floor testing. We look to get them this court and test as the opportunity presents itself.
- We have all post season tournaments staffed.
- We did have a hard time getting the eastern semi TDs to respond back, which led to some higher than expected travel costs
- For Nationals we will have an Evaluator present to evaluate officials on court performance
- We have a strong U.S. presence for up coming international tournaments, our officials are being recognized and sought after in both on court and administrative roles:
- **Qualification Tournament in Vancouver:** Kerin Banfield as an evaluator, Madison Little as an on court official
- **Vancouver Cup in Vancouver:** Mitch Carr as an on court official, Josh Kearns as an on court official, Madison Little as a TC, Kerin Banfield as an Evaluator, Joe Bongiovanni as an alternate for on court official and TC

- **Paralympic Test Event In Tokyo:** Darren Roberts as Head Official, Josh Kearns as an on court official, Bob Lopez as an alternate for TC
- **Paralympics in Tokyo:** Darren Roberts as Head Official, Mitch Carr as an on court official, Kerin Banfield as a TC, Josh Kearns as an alternate on court official, Bob Lopez as an alternate evaluator.

**Lakeshore Representative Report – Mandy Goff:**

- Feb 16<sup>th</sup> – USAWR leaves for Quad Nations
  - Livestream will be pushed via social media
- Cosport is the only way for folks to get tickets to Tokyo 2020
- Big thanks to Daniel Curtis for being part of the USAWR selection camp
- Development camps this season will be held in conjunction with our April and May USAWR national team camps. We will also include a couple of spaces for any coaches in training who would like to attend. If there are specific questions, please reach out to Mandy directly.