

USASF Board of Directors Meeting March 2, 2016

PRESENT:

Ann Lehrmann, Dan Kessler, Debbie Love, Happy Hooper, Jim Chadwick, Jeff Fowlkes, Joelle Antico, John Nichols, Kathy Penree, Mike Burgess, Morton Bergue, Roger Schonder, Steve Peterson

ABSENT:

John Newby, Justin Carrier, Brian Elza, Tara Harris, Kristen Rosario

GUESTS:

Ali Stangle, Amy Clark, Karen Wilson, Lynn Singer

AGENDA:

Jim welcomed everyone to the call and reviewed the agenda.

Coach ID Process Update

There are over 15,000 coaches and program personnel who have received Green Light status on background checks this season and more than 2000 coaches have ordered ID Cards. Regional Directors have attended several events to assist with the check-in process, and we've developed tools to help event producers know who has received a Green Light.

Disciplinary Cases

There are three cases that have been reviewed recently.

The first case involved an athlete (minor) who initiated an altercation at an event. The athlete was arrested and the event producer didn't permit the athlete to compete on Day 2. Because the event producer took action and the local authorities were involved, the Disciplinary Committee felt that sufficient action was taken and consequences were given to address the complaint. A warning was given to the athlete, with the understanding that if a second offense occurs, further disciplinary action would be taken.

The second case was involving a recruiting issue. The committee determined there was not enough substantial evidence to determine guilt, so the case was dismissed.

The third case was regarding an athlete who falsified a birth certificate. The athlete admitted guilt, so the committee is recommending to the Board a three year suspension of membership, based on precedence of a previous case of birth certificate falsification.

The recommendations of the Disciplinary Committee were approved.

Worlds Update

Final competition for Large Senior and Large Senior Coed will take place in the Baseball Stadium Sunday evening, with a rain contingency of Monday evening. The block schedule will be available in early April, followed by performance order drawings and posting of the final schedule.



Worlds Cup Race Update

The system will calculate the top five scores from teams in the race. Points are awarded for placement and the size of division. Teams score higher based on how many teams they outscore in a division.

Educational Steering Committee Update

The Education Steering Committee has held two conference calls to establish the structure and direction of the committee and then to create consensus on education priorities for the five branches of education: Programs/Owners, Coaches, Athletes, Parents and Safety Judges.

Direction for Coach and Athlete/Parent education was established. The remaining Education Branches will be considered on upcoming calls. The goal is to finalize the overall structure by Worlds.

Meeting Adjourned

Next Meeting: April 6