

Minutes - November 26, 2019

USOA Underwater Hockey Committee Agenda

Tuesday, November 26, 2019

8-9:30pm (EDT), 7-8:30pm (CDT), 6-7:30pm (MDT), 5-6:30pm (PDT)

*****NEW*****

Participant Instructions

Call your dial-in number: **(605) 468-8757**

Enter the access code: **796706**

UWH Committee Members:

Paul Byrne, Chair	2017-2020
Karen Thullner, Vice Chair	2016-2020
Secretary Vacant	2016-2020
Kurt Allen, Member at Large	2017-2021
Jon Paden, Member at Large	2018-2020
Andrei Savu, Member at Large	2017-2021
Position Vacant. Member at Large	2019-2021

Upcoming Meeting Schedule

December 24, 2019 (subject to change), January 28, 2020

1. Call Meeting to Order
 - a. Committee Members Present: Paul, KT, Andrei, Kurt, Paden
 - b. Non- Committee members: Jenny, Kulsa, Don,
3. Approval of Agenda. - approved
4. Approval of Minutes???. Very short meeting on Oct 22nd. Denver selected for Nationals 2020 - send via USOA website, Post on Facebook (KT to do)
5. Financial Secretary/Treasurer's Report: Budget proposals - (1) \$\$ for Women's Juniors Program - Budget Request needed : (2) Policy for assisting new clubs - Paul reach out to DK for club box costs - pool costs - send instructor to teach hockey
6. Director's Reports
 - . Rules Director - Don Mathews - version 11 rules are out and posted on referee webpage.
 - a. Referee Director – John Kulsa - working on selecting referees for Worlds - maybe fly a “ref” coach from elsewhere to observe and mentor our refs and coach them. Maybe send our refs to other international tournaments.
- i. Referee Training Coordinator - Position Vacant
 - b. Development Director – Position Vacant
- .Regional Directors
 1. Northeast – Jennifer Biener .
 2. Northwest - Position Vacant
 3. Southeast – Patrick Partington
 4. Inland – Damir Djidic - One day tournament and skiing - MLK weekend
 5. Southwest – Position Vacant
 6. Women's – Brigit Grimm

- 7. Men's – Position Vacant
 - 8. Collegiate – Ben Holtzman
 - 9. Juniors – Gustavo Pesce
 - c. National Teams Coordinator – Dave Boucher
 - d. Competitions Director – Jennifer Whitman
 - e. Safety Director – Position Vacant
- .Data is needed. There are a couple of issues with pool safety issues.

Old Business:

- 6. Athlete of the Year and Team of the Year awards- KT and Andrei
 - a. Development based, 1st quarter submission for announcement at nationals.
 - b. Awards focused on teams, i.e. number of new players, number of tournaments.
 - c. Awards could engraved pucks, sticks or USOA membership.
 - d. Regional directors can lead a committee to select individuals, teams.
- 9. CMAS UWH Commission positions. Deadline is June 23, 2019. John Kulsa was submitted for the Referee Committee. Coaching Committee and Development Committee are still needed.
- 10. Sexual harassment policy request sent to USOA.
 - a. Sports Engine has available a sexual harassment and training that can be made available through the USOA website. The background checks are about \$20 per person payable at the time of checkout.
- 11. Jai Umraiya, from MN, is working to take over the Underwater Hockey portion of the USOA website.
- 12. UWR Video?
- 13. USOA insurance vis-a-vis registered players - Paul to contact Carol
- 14. Nationals - Denver 2020. Minnesota 2021? 2022?
- 15. Appointment of Board Members and Directors

New Business:

- 16. **Canadian Elite Men's Team playing at US Nationals. Motion to allow Canadian's Men's Elite to participate in US Nationals with the stipulation that they do not medal and must bring a level 3 ref. Motion passes 4-1.**
- 17. **Go Live Sports Cast - Opportunity for broadcast at Marquette potluck. TBD once budget is discussed.**
- 18. **Referee Development - see 5(a) and (b)**
- 19. **DEMA update - Aquatic majors at Ball State learning how to run aquatic centers. Will understand UWH is not a risk re: shallow water blackout for future pool access.**

Next meeting December 17th.

Adjournment: 6:38 p.m.