

USOA Underwater Hockey Committee Agenda

Tuesday, February 26, 2019

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

*****NEW*****

Participant Instructions

1. Call your dial-in number: **(605) 468-8757**
2. Enter the access code: **796706**

UWH Committee Members:

Karen Thullner, Chair 2016-2020
Paul Byrne, Vice Chair 2017-2020
Diana Madden, Secretary 2016-2020
Kurt Allen, Member at Large 2017-2019
Jon Paden, Member at Large 2018-2020
Andrei Savu, Member at Large 2017-2019
Eric Straily, Financial Secretary 2015-2019

Upcoming Meeting Schedule

March 25, 2019 April 23, 2019
May 28, 2019 June 25, 2019
July 23, 2019 August 27, 2019
September 24, 2019 October 22, 2019
November 26, 2019 December 24, 2019 (subject to change)

1. Call to Order. New call in information to a conference for more than 10 people.
 - a. Committee Members Present: **Kt, Diana, Andrei, Paul, Kurt, Eric, Jon**
 - b. Non- Committee members: **Don, Wendy, Kat, Gustavo, Dave, Carol, John**
2. Approval of Agenda. **Approved**
3. Approval of Minutes. **Approved**
4. Financial Secretary/Treasurer's Report Eric. **Nothing Reported**
- . Financial Report
5. Director's Reports
- . Review of Director Reports.
- a. Rules Director - Don Mathews-
- i. Tuesday, Mar 26 – Move for approval of Committee
- b. Chief Referee – John Kulsa- **Motion passed that the order of referee's for Junior worlds 2019 are as follows: Kulsa, Phil, Andrei**
- .Referee Training Coordinator- Vacant
- c. Development Director – Position Vacant
- .Regional Directors

1. Northeast – Jennifer Biener- GMU is hosting a tournament this weekend.
2. Northwest- Vacant
3. Southeast – Patrick Partington
4. Inland – Damir Djidic
5. Southwest – Vacant

i. Women's – Brigit Grimm- **Nothing Reported**

ii. Men's – Position Vacant

iii. Collegiate – Ben Holtzman- **Nothing Reported**

iv. Juniors – Gustavo Pesce-

1. CMAS has stated it is not granting an exception for the 2019 Sheffield competition. Awaiting official written document

v. National Teams Coordinator – Dave Boutcher- **Nothing Reported**

vi. Competitions Director – Jennifer Whitman- **Nothing Reported**

vii. Safety Director – Position Vacant

6. Old Business:

. Nationals Bids

. Nationals Bid Form

i. World's 2022 Bid

1. Requests for bid were sent to Denver, Minneapolis and Orlando

a. Athlete of the Year and Team of the Year awards- KT and Andrei

b. USOA Meeting and Beneath the Sea Show.

. USOA UWH Committee Report

i. Scholarships and training grants available. See the USOA website.

c. Registration for Nationals is up and running.

d. Website and registration issues.

e. USA UWH Annual meeting at Nationals- **Elections Committee: Kt, Jon, Paul, Diana**

7. New Business:

. Requested time for an annual meeting from Orlando during Nationals.

a. Carol and KT had a Skype call with JJ, CMAS UWH Commission.

. The commission has made decisions that affect all sports.

1. This includes the creation of colleges or committees. These are Referee, Coaching, and Development. The goal is to create elections from each Federation to the respective colleges by 2021. It is important to create a structure for UWH and all the sports.

i. Marta is creating a list of official contacts for each Federation. Carol and KT are listed as the official contacts for USOA. This has been communicated to the appropriate individuals.

ii. The Technical Committee consists of Marta, Tristan, Carol, Martin. From these, a Director Technical Delegate will be chosen.

iii. The colleges will consist of 10 members including JJ, Marta and the World Tournament Director. The colleges will have the following members:

1. Coaching: Director and Secretary
2. Refereeing: Rules Director and Director
3. Development: Director and Secretary

iv. Worlds 2020 will probably be in the Australian Gold Coast. No official announcement has been made. There is to be one outdoor and one indoor pool.

- v. New UWH Rule changes were made in Hungary, but never submitted to CMAS for approval. The rule changes made in Quebec City were submitted to CMAS in December. These cannot be published until CMAS has approved.
- vi. The Age Categories were approved to the Commission.
- vii. Procedures and Obligations of CMAS are general. Each sport has to create their own volumes. For instance, UWH has taken the articles regarding competitions and created a separate volume. This will be voted on April 9.
- viii. Age Group Worlds Exemption request. There is nothing more that can be done at this time. This was voted on previously by CMAS BoD.
 - 1. This change was made to further align with the Youth Olympic Games. In the future, youth games will be 3x3, advancing to 6x6 for individuals over 18.
 - 2. Category A (18 and older) 6x6
 - 3. Category B (unsure of ages) 4x4
 - 4. Category C (youth, 14-18?) 3x3
 - 5. The goal is that these competitions will help give money to all federations.
- ix. Each Federation is allowed one voting member or proxy for the meetings in 2019.
 - b. Issues between the committee using the google groups email address for communication

Adjournment: 9:20pm