



Member, United States
Olympic & Paralympic Committee

USA Team Handball board meeting

Meeting minutes for the 27-Feb-2025 executive meeting

Board members in attendance

- Olga Chaikouskaya
- Jason Borchik
- Chris Brase
- Andre Carter
- Patrick Jalabert – interim chair, acting as secretary

Board members excused

- Julia Taylor
- Andrew Donlin

USATH Staff in attendance

- Michael King

Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 12.05pm MT by Patrick Jalabert, interim chair. Mr. Jalabert thanked board members for joining, and reminded them that several topics would be discussed, as detailed in the shared agenda. The primary focus would be approval of the 2025 budget.

Agenda item #2: Committee updates

- The Nominating and Governance Committee (NGC) was expected to be ready to submit candidates for the remaining independent board seats by the end of the week.
- The Team Handball Athlete Advisory Council (THAAC) elections had been completed, with the results expected to be formally published shortly. It was noted that the USOPC athlete representation group still needed to formally approve of the wheelchair handball seat on the THAAC, as was the case with all non-Olympic discipline representation. That approval was in process and expected shortly.
- The National Referee Committee (NRC) elections had been completed late the previous night. The board now needed to appoint an NRC chair among those three (3) elected members.

Action item

Mr. Jalabert was tasked with discussing with all three (3) representatives and providing a recommendation to the board regarding the chair role for the NRC.

Agenda item #1: Budget review

- Mr. King had circulated a budget draft ahead of time for preparation. He then guided the board through the contents.
- It was noted that the income and expenses listed in the budget were limited to confirmed sources, with other positive conversations on-going to secure additional revenue streams.
- The board discussed the financial relationship with the IHF, including closing past due invoices that seemingly stretched back to 2022.
- The board requested that any line items associated with paying past-due invoices be separated out in the budget, to differentiate between 2025 operations and previous debts. With that minor change requested, the board aligned to review and approve the 2025 budget over email no later than the following day.

The board meeting was adjourned at 1.45pm MT.