



USAW Masters Council Meeting Minutes

Date: June 10, 2026

Platform: Zoom

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Participants

Present: Holly Arrow, Gwen Chamberlain, Travis Cooper, Aimee Everett, Suzy Sanchez, Bob Takano, JP Nicoletta (staff liaison),

Absent: Tom Sroka, Mike Choi (board liaison)

1. Call to order:

- **Time:** 7:05 pm MT
- **Facilitator:** JP Nicoletta
- **Conflict of Interest Disclosures:**
 - HR: None
 - GC: None
 - TC:None
 - AE: Masters Athlete and Coach
 - SS: None
 - TS: None

2. Discussion Topics

Masters Council Welcome / General Discussion

- **Welcome:** JN welcomed the newly elected Council members and recognized the achievements of the prior Council.
- **Masters Hall of Fame:** 150-point threshold clarified. 2026 class to be announced after the final competition of the year. On-platform presentation at 2027 Masters Nationals for attending inductees discussed. MHOF inductee award format should mirror the same ceremony approach as USAW HOF.
- **National Event Medal Ceremonies:** Council recommended medal ceremonies occur same day as competition when an age/bodyweight category is final. Next day award ceremonies were called out as a drag on athlete experience. On platform medal ceremonies preferred. Council requested printed medal schedules are placed on all platform marshal tables.
- **Masters Apparel Line:** A Masters apparel line is in process. The council will review designs and items when available.
- **Master Triple Crown:** 2026 eligibility list to be published after Virus Series II.
- **Local & WSO Championships Masters Guidance:** Council recommended best-practice guidance for Masters awards be developed. GAMX formula recommended for outstanding lifter awards.
- **Masters Records:** New bodyweight categories effective August 2026. Records maintained in unchanged categories. Records will be reset with new standards for new categories. (Post meeting update IWF and USAW will reset all records, all categories.)

3. Adjournment

- Time: 7:51 pm MT