



USAR Board of Directors Meeting
Monday, September 25, 2023
5:30 pm MT
Videoconference via Zoom

Called to order by President Stewart Solomon at 5:35 pm MT

Quorum was achieved; advance notice given of the meeting; directors were reminded to recuse themselves on topics that are a conflict of interest. Vice President Terry Rogers delivered reminders about social media and confidentiality agreement completion.

Welcome Tom Fuhrmann as an Athlete Representative assuming the position of Danielle Maddux.

Attending: Todd Boss, Jake Bredenbeck (Athlete Representative), Steve Czarnecki, Mike Grisz (Executive Director), Michelle Key (Secretary/Athlete Representative), Tom Fuhrmann (Athlete Representative), Erika Manilla (Athlete Representative), Tony Prater, Sandy Rios (Treasurer), Terry Rogers (Vice President), Stewart Solomon (President), Slemo Warigon

Not attending: Maurice Miller, Tony Prater

Approval of Minutes

[Motion by Terry Rogers to accept the minutes of the August 28, 2024, Board meeting](#)

[Second by Erika Manilla](#)

[Discussion: None](#)

[Vote: Tom abstain; all others voted yes](#)

Executive Committee Update (Stewart Solomon)

- Update on the staff and what he is working on
 - Programs, events, 3WB attendance
- Financial review for our audit plan
- Stadium court movement
 - Insurance, liability
- Athlete Rep
 - Tom Fuhrmann

Executive Director Update (Mike Grisz)

- Working on database integration with Players Health
- Stadium court
 - Get an expense report
 - Double insurance for transporting the court
- Researching new insurance vendor possibilities
- US OPEN
 - Had a sponsor back out
 - Not looking doable
- National Indoor Championships
 - Singles, Doubles, U.S. Team qualifying

- February
 - Last major event at ASU, taking away the upstairs courts
- Projected to be the largest indoor event in 2024
- Brainstorm for party
 - Hall of Fame
 - Players party (Michelle Key to organize)
- Social Media
 - Grisz is going to be more active on KRG
 - Socialize Pan American Games

Finance Update (Sandy Rios)

Sandy provided an update on financials against the 2023 budget.

Committee Update (Terry Rogers)

- Election Committee
 - Terry is stepping down as the chair
 - Tony Prater is the new chair
 - Two at large seats are coming open in 2024 (Rogers and Boss terming off)

Marketing Discussion (Stewart Solomon)

- One44Group – Josh

Motion by Sandy Rios to utilize funds from the restricted donation with the approval of the Peters family to move forward with the proposal from the One44 group with the intent of paying the money back to said fund \$500/month.

Seconded by: No Second

Motion did not carry.

Further considerable discussion on the topic: Will it pay off, how will it get paid back, other options, sponsorships vs. donations, internal fundraising group, clarification on where the funds come from.

Motion by Sandy Rios to ask the Peters family to utilize the funds for our marketing plan and pay it back.

Seconded by Todd Boss

Todd Boss subsequently exited the meeting.

The motion was left open with a status as withdrawn by the original maker but without the agreement of the member who seconded.

Deadline for additional marketing proposals to the Board by Monday night.

New Business

- Athletes' Advisory Council
 - Selection process for U.S. Team selection
 - Draft by start of year

Next Meeting: To be determined

Adjournment

Motion by Sandy Rios to adjourn

Seconded by Erika Manilla

Adjourned at 7:30 pm MT