



**Masters Council | Regular Meeting | May 8, 2024  
Meeting Minutes**

**Location:** Meeting held remotely

**Present:** Gwen Chamberlin, Melissa Dougherty, Aimee Everett, Carlos Hernandez, Mira Kwon Gracia Tom Sroka, Robert Takano

**Staff Liaison:** JP Nicoletta (Dir. Sport Development)

**BOD Liaison:** Michael Choi (At-Large Director)

1. **Call to Order.** JN called the meeting to order at 7:01 am MT. Proposed agenda items of Governance and Masters Hall of Fame and inquired if members present had additional agenda items for discussion.
2. **COI Disclosure.**
  - a. GC – Coach and Masters Athlete
  - b. MD – Coach and Masters Athlete
  - c. AE – Coach of Masters Athletes
  - d. TS – Coach of Masters Athletes
  - e. CH – Coach and Masters Athlete
  - f. RT – Coach of Masters Athletes
  - g. MG – Coach and Masters Athlete
3. **Hall of Fame Discussion and Recommendations.** The group discussed recognition and continuance of a USAW Masters Hall of Fame considering eligibility requirements, point system and structure.
  - a. Discussed recommendations included:
    - i. Recognizing those who attained Masters Hall of Fame status through 2023 without requirement to re-earn the honor.
    - ii. Commencing 2024, assign Masters Hall of Fame points for top three placement in total at USAW national events where masters athletes compete including MNC, NAOF NAOS. Suggested points for a top five placement for masters who compete at Sr. Nationals.
    - iii. Honor existing points accumulated by masters athletes through 2023 without expiry.
  - b. Additional time was requested for research. It was agreed to hold creation of formal suggestions until the next meeting.
4. **Governance Recommendations.** Discussed requesting initial exceptions to USAW bylaws 2-year term requirement and to amend term limits. Suggestion that four of the initial seven (majority) be allowed to sit for a 4-year term to allow for staggering elections and continuity. The council members to have

extended terms TBD upon formal approval. Also suggested that the two-term limit be relaxed to allow individuals to stand for the council after a cooling off period equal to the time served.

5. **Adjournment.** The meeting was adjourned at 8:12pm MT.