



**Board of Directors | Special Meeting | October 25, 2023
Meeting Minutes**

Location: Meeting conducted fully remotely via Zoom

Present: Jenny Schumacher (Chair), Jordan Cantrell, Mike Choi, Andy Coggins, Mario Dispenza, Tayler Harris, John McGovern, Sara Soto, Sally Van de Water

Staff Present: Matt Sicchio (CEO)

1. **Call to Order.** JS called the meeting to order at 5:00pm MT and determined that a quorum exists.
2. **Declarations of Conflicts of Interest.**
 - a. Jenny Schumacher: Category 1 ITO, Board liaison to Technical Commission
 - b. Mario Dispenza: Category 1 ITO
 - c. Sara Soto: Category "1.5" ITO (in process of achieving Category 1)
 - d. Tayler Harris: national level referee
 - e. Mike Choi: Category 1 ITO
 - f. Andy Coggins: none
 - g. John McGovern: none
 - h. Jordan Cantrell: none
 - i. Sally Van de Water: Category 1 ITO, married to former member of Technical Commission
3. **CEO Update Follow-Up.** The Board had an opportunity to ask follow-up questions to the written update MS provided to the Board on 10/18. Discussion items:
 - a. Letter from Columbus Weightlifting regarding USAW's event operations. Issues are operational and fully in the purview of USAW's operations team, not the Board.
 - b. Masters Task Force survey is out and getting a great response rate so far.
 - c. Event financials will be discussed as part of the 2024 budget proposal from the operations team to the Board at the December Board meeting.
4. **Executive Session.**
 - a. Motion by Jenny to enter executive session at 5:46pm MT
 - b. Seconded by SV
 - c. Discussion around process for seating new members of the Technical Commission and Competition Commission.
 - d. Executive session exited at 6:01pm
5. **Technical Commission Appointments.**
 - a. Motion by MD to appoint Fred Lowe, Debbie Hudson, and Jodi Stumbo to the USA Weightlifting Technical Commission to fill vacant terms that expire on September 30, 2025; and should Mr. Lowe decline the appointment then such appointment will be offered next to

- Gregg Sonnabend and should he decline then such appointment will be offered to Terry Grow; and should either Ms. Hudson or Ms. Stumbo decline the appointment then such appointment will be offered next to Jami Willette-Brown and should she decline then such appointment will be offered to Joanna Jones.
- b. Seconded by SS
 - c. Vote: approved unanimously

6. Competition Commission Appointment.

- a. Motion by MD to appoint Sara Contente to the USA Weightlifting Competition Commission to fill the vacant term that expires on September 30, 2025; and should Ms. Contente decline the appointment then such appointment will be offered next to Tara Atkin; and should Ms. Atkin decline the appointment then such appointment will be offered next to Erika Talbott.
- b. Seconded by TH
- c. Vote: approved unanimously

7. Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 6:10pm MT.