

**SEMI Committee USA Fencing  
Meeting, Thursday, September 26, 2024, 8:30 PM  
Minutes**

**CALL TO ORDER – 8:38 pm**

**Meeting Facilitator: Kathy Walters**

**Roll Call: Kathy Walters, Alice Keys, Leo Curtis, Joe Moore, Ted Li, Irene Edgerton, Al Merritt, Ted Li, Ron Herman and Liz Morey.**

**Minutes of the August meeting – Kathy says that she is still working on the minutes of the August meeting and should have them for the October meeting.**

**NEW BUSINESS**

- 1. October NAC – In an email Glen reported that -**
  - a. 77 strips**
  - b. Approx. 4,500 registrations,**
  - c. 2,500 unique athletes**
  - d. Have had call with Liz on logistics, two trailers arriving Tuesday, live load on Wednesday AM**
  - e. Absolute bringing back scoring machines and will have there Wednesday night**
  - f. At end of competition, will need to send 10 fencing strips with Absolute to supplement inventory that was sent to Paris and has not yet returned. Will receive 8 of the 10 back for Louisville (2 we are sending are strips that were mistakenly packed up with our items at SN, but belong to Absolute).**

**Ron says that everything ships out on Monday and Tuesday. Nike crates will need to be shipped from the NAC to Nike. (Ron will reach out to Glen about when Trophies will need to be shipped). Also, there will be a palette of body cords will be including in the trailers. They will need to be inventoried and repackaged at the NAC. Ted says that the FIE believes they belong to the FIE.**

**David said that USA Fencing will start using an online service to process the expense forms. Officials can submit either by email or with the new service until January.**
- 2. Head Tech Report Format update- Alice –**
  - a. The report is live online and Liz will be able to test it at the October NAC.**
  - b. There is a regional form that is also live and can be use by anyone.**
- 3. Surveys- Irene –**
  - a. Nothing to report, she has not yet. Work has been busy. She should have them ready for the October NAC.**
- 4. Strip Call Handouts –**
  - a. Irene has nothing to report, see above.**

5. **Armory Website- Joe –**
  - a. The new version is similar to the old version.
  - b. Kathy asks if the dress code is on the website and when that can be added. Irene said she can send that to Brian W. to get it posted
  - c. Liz would like there to be a difference between regional and national armorers responsibilities. Joe will work with Brian W. to address this.
  
6. **Rules Revision Update- Brian –**
  - a. Move to Tabled to the next call by Ron, second by Al. Passes unanimously.
  
7. **Head Tech Call- Kathy –**
  - a. Head Tech call scheduled for October 24<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 pm.
8. **Term limits –**
  - a. Ted points out that the Board minutes have named 8 year term limits. When does this start and how does that effect the US SEMI. Kathy confirms this and said that many of us are over that. Kathy is trying to make that not take effect until after the Olympics.
9. **LA 2028 –**
  - a. Ted asks who the fencing commissioner is for LA 2028. Ted will contact Carl Borak to get some information.
10. **Rule citation – David asks that when we make ruling about if something conforms to the rules that we actually cite the rule we are applying.**

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- 1) **Proposed Next meeting date: 10/17/2024 8:30 pm ET (in the agenda but not mentioned in the meeting, included in the minutes for clarification.)**

**ADJOURN at 9:28 pm.**

#### **ACTION ITEMS –**

1. **Kathy is still working on the minutes of the August meeting and should have them for the October meeting.**
2. **Ron will reach out to Glen about when Trophies will need to be shipped**
3. **The palette of bodycards will need to be inventoried and repacked at the October NAC.**
4. **Alice will email the online head tech report link and form to the committee.**
5. **Irene will prepare the surveys for the October NAC before the end of the NAC.**
6. **Irene said she will send that to Brian W. to post the Armory dress code.**
7. **Joe will work with Brian W to separate the roles of regional and national armorers.**
8. **Rules Revision Update tabled to the November meeting.**
9. **Ted will contact Carl Borak to get some information about the commissioner will be for LA 2028**