

**SEMI Committee USA Fencing
Meeting, Thursday, October 17, 2024, 8:30 PM
Minutes V1.**

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting Facilitator: Kathy Walters

Roll Call: Alice Kee, Brian Rosen, Liz Morey, Joe Moore, David Blake, Kathy Walters, Ron Herman, Ted Li, Irene Edgerton and Glen Holingsworth.

Approve minutes from the last meeting – Ron Herman moves to approve the amended minutes, second Alice Kee. Approved unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

- **October NAC update –**
 - a. **NAC went fine, lots of fencers**
 - b. **Many strips were packed wrong by Union Carpenters, it will need to be watched in November.**
 - c. **All the strips we up in one day**
 - d. **Liz inventoried the leftover boxes of body cords from Jr Cadet Worlds, there are 1300 of them. They are back on the truck. Glen will be in contact with Kate about what we want to do with them (The FIE does not want them).**
 - e. **Gary Lu has 9 strip crates to be returned at the November NAC.**
 - f. **Liz says we got new reels. Missing machines have been sorted out.**
 - g. **Lower than normal number of strip calls. There were some issues with the Medical Strip call.**
 - h. **Armorers were issued 3 polo shirts and a quarter zip. Sizes are running about 2 sizes too small. This will continue throughout the season.**

- **November NAC**
 - a. **Glen – Similar set up to before, exhibit halls plus ball room for replay and finals.**

- **Surveys –**
 - a. **Crew evaluation survey and Head Tech evaluation survey have been sent of October.**
 - b. **Liz asks for the events on the survey to be a dropdown.**

- **Name/Country and NCAA requirements for uniforms**
 - a. **The day before the October NAC, we got a question from an NCAA school about if their athletes names in school color would be acceptable.**
 - b. **Discussion about weather or not we deviate from the FIE rules.**
 - c. **We will allow colors per the FIE (Gold, Red, Blue)**
 - d. **MCAA language about logos/names - Institutional Logo. For identification purposes, fencers must wear school colors or institutional names that are clearly visible and distinguishable from their opponents for championships competition. Armbands**

and/or socks (both in school colors), or institutional identification, are required. The use of adhesive tape is not an acceptable form of institutional identification. The color on a shoe is not an acceptable form of identification. All team members must be identical in identification. Appropriate institutional identification is required or a \$200 fine will be assessed to the institutions whose student-athlete is not in compliance. No club patches or country affiliation markings are allowed during NCAA postseason competition. The aforementioned fine will apply if the club logo or country affiliation is not able to be removed from a student-athlete's uniform.

e. Moved to November Meeting.

1. Armory Website –

- a. Brian likes how we are represented on the first page
- b. Glen says that if we want additional links he is happy to bring them to Brian.
- c. Irene says that she has been getting more requests for information about being an armorer since the new website has launched.
- d. Dress code does not appear on the website.

• Rules Revision Update- Brian – Covered under the name discussion.

• Head Tech Call- topics –

- a. Mask Welds
- b. bikini cut lames and replacement bibs having higher resistance.
- c. Head tech should send hire list to Irene so they can be updated.
- d. Remove your credential when you are released if you stay to watch fencing.
- e. Warning athletes about needing a bend in the tongue for the mask (with the note that more information will be coming out soon)
- f. French grip epees are getting longer. Possibly more training for the armorers on how to test.
- g. GET REPORTS IN ON TIME. They should be sent to the official email and Irene will forward it to the committee and the next head tech. The load plan needs to be emailed to Glen, Ron, and Big Country.

• Good and Welfare –

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1) Proposed Next meeting date: 11/21/2024 8:30 pm ET

• ACTION ITEMS –

- Glen will be in contact with Kate about what we want to do with the 1300 bodycords.
- Ron – Crate 30 and the pallet of bodycords should remain in Tiffan.

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