



Board of Directors

Via Teams

Monday, March 9th, 8:00 PM EST

Board Members

An in-person meeting of the Board of Directors of USA Field Hockey took place on March 9th, 2026. Present were Chip Rogers (Chair), Cheryl Bruttomesso, Alex Grassi, Katelyn Ginolfi, Jon Potter, Karissa Niehoff, Lisa Lazarus, Mikey Barminski, and Stephen Martin, and Will Holt (joined at 8:34PM). Attending Board members constituted a quorum of the Board under USA Field Hockey bylaws.

Additional Attendees

At the outset of the meeting, USA Field Hockey staff members in attendance were Simon Hoskins (left the call at 9:00 PM), Janet Paden (left the call at 9:00 PM), Liz Sanders (left the call at 8:33 PM), Craig Parnham (left the call at 8:59 PM) and Danielle Beaman (left the call at 9:00 PM).

1. Call to Order - The Chair called the meeting to order at 8:05 PM EST.
2. Roll Call
3. Declaration of Conflicts Solicitations - There were no conflicts of interest identified based on the approved agenda.
4. February Minutes – Danielle Beaman

Motion made by Chip Rogers and seconded by Alex Grassi to approve the February minutes at 8:08 PM EST. Approved by acclamation.

5. CFO Report – Janet Paden
 - a. Board will email Janet their acceptance of the January report.
6. CEO Report – Simon Hoskins
 - a. Report has been posted on the Teams site. Highlights include Nexus registrations/events and USAFH has been asked to respond to Sen. Ted Cruz in regard to men participating in women's sports, our response has been very simple and factual.
7. Update on Nexus/Events – Liz Sanders
 - a. Events – record number of teams for indoor programming. Wrapped up on Sunshine and rolled directly into NIF and NIT's.
 - b. Nexus – Registration is currently at 97% of the targeted goal, but still in good standing. Plans on adjusting spending/expenses to allow for the missed percentage, so that the overall budget target is met.
8. Update on MNT/WCQ – Craig Parnham
 - a. Risk Management team worked together and with the recommendations made by the US State Department, steps were taken to remove our men's team and staff members. Craig made sure that the action was measured as a force majeure as to obtain insurance for future rankings. We were not able to qualify, however, working on establishing a Plan B. More information to come later.
9. Committee Updates
 - a. Sponsorship – Chip Rogers – call on the 17th of March

- The challenge is trying to establish a list of members with the means to make the investments into the sport. The USOPC offers wealth screening. There have been prospective meetings with financial institutions to share our pitch. No success as of yet, but still exploring other areas.
- b. Governance – Stephen Martin – Alison Worthington is stepping down, and Lisa Lazarus will be taking her position on the committee. Possible modification on by-laws; meeting with Emily to discuss at the next board meeting.
- c. AAC – Alex Grassi – Athletes would like to know when the EAH slots are going to get filled. Athletes have also requested more coach support for those that are left behind when not selected for international travel. Athletes still want priority enrollment at the University but have not received updates.
- d. Judiciary & Ethics/Safe Sport – Simon Hoskins – we have had some cases and grievances filed with Safesport. Stephen Martin is our liaison with the committee (made up by volunteers outside of the board) and stated that each of the cases will go through a review process to determine next steps for the non-sexual misconduct grievances, as they were rejected by Safesport due to the nature of the grievance.
- e. Hall of Fame – Chip Rogers – will be sharing more details regarding activities, hotel block, etc.

10. July BOD Meeting – all day Friday, half-day Saturday. Opportunity to observe and participate with Nexus Championships.

11. Next BOD Meeting takes place on Monday, April 13th at 8:00 PM EST

Motion to move into Executive Session made by Chip Rogers and seconded by Stephen Martin at 9:00 PM EST.

Janet Paden, Simon Hoskins and Danielle Beaman left the call at 9:00 PM EST

Motion made by Chip Rogers and seconded by Cheryl Bruttomesso to move out of Executive Session at 10:02 PM EST. All approved.

Motion made by Chip Rogers and seconded by Cheryl Bruttomesso to adjourn the meeting at 10:03 PM EST. All approved.