



**US Sailing Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Teleconference – APRIL 18, 2016**

Conference Call to order: 7:30pm

In attendance: Board: President Bruce Burton, JJ Fetter, Executive Director Jack Gierhart, Treas. Steve Freitas, Managing Olympic Director Josh Adams, Ben Richardson, Gary Gilbert, VP Cory Sertl, Jim Walsh, Ron White, Sec. Martine Zurinkas, Rich Jepsen, Sheila McCurdy, George Hinman, Sally Barkow, Steve Benjamin

Regrets: George Hinman, Steve Benjamin

Guests: 10 guests on the call.

1. Announcements - Great presence for US Sailing at Sperry Charleston Race Week to support the SAP launch Rio themed event and the team in Charleston. Randy has a great team and they all were very supportive of US Sailing.
2. Consent Calendar: *Motion to approve, unanimously approved.*
March 21, 2016 Minutes, minor error in spelling fixed
3. President's Report Bruce Burton
Summary of the report as provided in pre-read
Topics of interest: Olympic Trials, Sperry Charleston Race Week – 21st Running of event summary for US Sailing; SAP Sailing Analytics launch at CRW; Investment Committee update: Golden Spinnaker Gala; Tokyo 2020 Launch Review Committee; Letter of appreciation from St. Francis Yacht Club Commodore – K. Livingston.
4. Vice Presidents Report & World Sailing Update Cory Sertl
Verbal report, making plans for May meeting in Switzerland with World Sailing delegation
November WS meeting will be in Barcelona, Spain.
Action items for World Council and deadlines this summer for various groups. More to report in May.
5. Executive Director's Report Jack Gierhart
2016 Objectives overview; All Departments reviewed in Pre-Read report
6. Treasurer's Report Steve Freitas
Reviewed the financials overview; BOD Statements
7. Olympic Report Josh Adams
Team Selection and Performance Update; Funding Update; SWC Miami Update; Rio Team Leader Report; Olympic Communication Update; Molly Vandermoer joined Olympic staff as ODP manager
8. Staff Connection and Division Discussion Chair/Board Liaisons/Staff Director
Race Administration – Hank Stuart
Quarterly review of Race Admin Division – Hank presented; Review of projects including: Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020: Timeline, Product mix, Team in place to ensure successful and timely completion & issue to membership. SAP Sailing Insights Mobile App review; Challenges and future initiatives reviewed.

Schedule & Call in details: <http://www.ussailing.org/about-us/board-of-directors/schedule-agenda>

Meeting Minutes: <http://www.ussailing.org/about-us/board-of-directors/meeting-minutes/>



Championships – Shannon Bush

Highlights of the Championships Division including the complete breakdown of participants for the Youth Championships; Update on all the Championships; Challenges reviewed and Highlights for next 3 months including a focus for the 40 and under sailor.

9. Old Business

Motion to approve the Youth Director Funding (BAR# 04132016), Approved 10, 1 Abstention

*Motion was made in February 3, 2016 minutes to approve the creation of a job description and talent search

11. New Business

Proposed meeting on October 19th all day in Newport, RI for Board meeting in Person.

12. End of call sizzle

13. Executive Session

13. Adjourn, 9:57pm

Next meeting May 23rd
