



US Sailing Board of Directors Meeting Minutes  
June 27, 2016

**Conference Call to order: 7:30pm**

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

Regrets: Sheila McCurdy

Guests: 10 guests on the call.

1. Announcements

2. Consent Calendar: *Motion to approve, unanimously approved.*

May 23, 2016 Minutes

Read into minutes – *BAR 06072016 VISA Application, approved 6/09/2016*

3. President's Report

Bruce Burton

Summary of the report as provided in pre-read

NAYRU summary; National Sailing Hall of Fame update – MoU update for annual meeting given and summary provided – communications to continue to strengthen; US Offshore SaS update – hold till Later for content; Gowrie Group Annual Review – renewal year and supporting the others; World Sailing summary saved for later report; Houston July 27<sup>th</sup> meeting next month; 2020 Tokyo update and survey of athletes.

4. Vice Presidents Report & World Sailing Update

Cory Sertl

Verbal Report: World Sailing update: 2020 Agenda IOC – Potential changes as a result of the RIO summary to be given in Jan. 2017. US taking a lead on hosting the Breakfast of the America's – meet all of the delegates that are voting. Prepping for the November World Sailing meeting. Youth Development Director – pleased with candidate and looking to high level integration. Kick off at the Youth Champs

5. Executive Director's Report

Jack Gierhart

Summary of Association report - Financials are on track; membership going in correct direction; Offshore certs being given

6. Treasurer's Report

Steve Freitas

Reviewed the financials overview; BOD Statements

7. Olympic Report

Josh Adams

Highlight of the June Olympic Report – Training in June in Rio – very successful training. Coach boats are an issue b/c of gas and mechanics. Fundraising progress - \$500k anonymous Donor – getting closer on the America's One matching grant. Safety and Medical Issues for Rio covered. ODP Mid-Year Report also given as part of the pre-read any follow up can be given

**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/>



8. Staff Connection and Division Discussion Chair/Board Liaisons/Staff Director  
Education Report: Charlie Arms/Stu Gilfillen  
Summary of the Pre-Read report. Stu and Rich highlighted areas.
- Offshore Report: Nathan Titcomb/ George Hinman / Steve Benjamin  
Busy with Certs and working with the organizers to better offer a better product that works for everyone.
9. Old Business - None
11. New Business
- *BAR#20160624 – Motion to accept the proposed US Prescriptions to The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2017-2020. Presented by Dick Rose, Secretary of the Rules Committee. Motion approved 13 in favor, 0 opposed.*
  - *BAR# 201606021 World Sailing Nominations #1 – Gary Jobson VP - Motion approved 12 in favor, 0 opposed.*
  - *BAR # 20160622 World Sailing Nominations #2 – Names as listed on BAR - Motion approved 11 in favor, 1 Abstain, 0 opposed.*
  - *BAR # 20160625 SaS Trademark Abandonment – Motion approved. Motion approved 12 in favor, 0 opposed.*
12. Executive Session – session held till 9:32pm
13. Motion to Adjourn, 9:54 pm

Next meeting July 27

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