## USAT Board of Directors Teleconference Meeting October 5, 2009

## In attendance:

Rob Kasper, president
Brian Harrington, vice president
Celeste Callahan, secretary
Bob Wendling, treasurer
Jim Donaldson
Eric Averill
Mike Greer
Vince O'Brien
Kelly Cook
David Kuendig
Victor Plata
Skip Gilbert, Executive Director

Vice president, Brian Harrington, called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. MDT.

## Agenda:

Skip Gilbert opened with several business items.

- Adverse Weather Insurance "Self insuring" against weather cancellations of national championships was discussed. Board members were against the insurance, but it was decided to bring the topic to the RDC and once more to the staff.
- Aquabike Rankings Endorsement
  Ranking the athletes for AquaVelo sport was discussed. The Board
  approved ranking them by combining all the distances, thereby feeding
  this new sport.
- National Championships
   Skip Gilbert proposed combining the non ITU, non-draft, elite, age group, and youth races into one weekend, along with the sprint nationals. A further presentation and discussion will take place during the November Board Meeting in Clearwater.
- It was discussed getting rid of the pro license and having the \$39
  membership fee be all that is needed. The matter will be discussed at the
  November Board Meeting.
- The budget will be discussed line by line at the November meeting,

As well as the staff wish list.

- o The Staff Realignment Update is a work in progress but looks to be positively received by the staff.
- USAT Rules were discussed and an alignment with ITU rules. Again this effort will be discussed in November.
- Eric Averill opened the discussion that the Board grant waivers to race directors who are not yet certified to hold regional championships. Eric moved to grant one year waivers to race directors who are not certified to put on a regional championship .Bob Wendling seconded. It was decided, during discussion, that a post nationals race would be a qualifier for the following year. Eric will talk to the regional directors for more information.
- O Eric Averill moved and Bob Wendling seconded to accept Sarah J as A member of the Ethics Committee. Unanimous decision.

Time Permitting:

- Report of the Youth Task Force Eric
   The Youth Task Force has completed its work.
- The Strategic Planning Committee plans to complete its work for November.

Mike Greer moved and Celeste Callahan seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at 7:08 MDT.