

MINUTES OF MEETING OF DIRECTORS

OF

COLUMBUS OHIO DIVISION, USFA, INC.

December 1, 2019

A meeting of the Board of Directors of COLUMBUS OHIO DIVISION, USFA, INC. was held, pursuant to the notice given in accordance with the Code of Regulations, at 7:30 o'clock P.M. at the law offices of Joseph S. Streb, 736 Neil Ave., Columbus, Ohio on the 18th day of August, 2019.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Joseph S. Streb.

ROLL: A roll of Directors was taken by the secretary, and pursuant to Article VI(A) of the Amended Bylaws, a quorum did exist. The following Board members and invited guests were present:

<u> X </u> Joseph S. Streb, Chairman	<u> X </u> Tim Mills, Secretary
<u> X </u> Fred Hunker, Treasurer	<u> X </u> Joseph T. Streb, 1 st Vice-Chair
<u> </u> Julia Richey, 2d Vice-Chair	<u> X </u> Terry Amrine
<u> X </u> Alivia Mourot	<u> </u> Gail Kaye
<u> </u> Charles Simonian	<u> </u> Kristian Boyadzhiev
<u> X </u> Michael Lemasters	

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes of the meeting of August 18, 2019 were unanimously approved.

OFFICER'S REPORTS:

Chairman -- Joseph Streb: The Chairman reported that the primary purpose of the meeting is to consider the upcoming JO Qualifier currently set for December 15, 2015 at Royal Arts, and to discuss other matters that may come before the meeting, including without limitation, the grant request of Aaron Buergethal on behalf of a UA club.

Secretary – Tim Mills:

Treasurer -- Fred Hunker: The Treasurer reported that the Division finances are as follows:

	<u>8.18.19</u>	<u>12.01.19</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Checking	4,028.88	4351.88	323.00
Vanguard Treasury Bond Fund	2,744.77	2744.77	00
Vanguard ST Investment Grade BF	4,531.44	4531.44	00
Streb Trust Funds	000.00	0.00	00

TOTALS

11,305.09	11,628.09	323.00
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Mr. Hunker also reported that the Division has received 315.00 in dues rebates from US Fencing since the last meeting.

Vice Chairman -- Joseph T. Streb:

2d Vice Chairman – Julia Richey: Absent.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Referee Committee – Joseph Streb, Chairman of the Referee Committee reported that no referee training is currently set in the Division. It is not known whether any such training will be available at the JO Championships. As previously reported, the FOC now requires that referees be at least 16 years old to referee at national events.

Nominating Committee – (Streb, Hunker, Mills): N/A.

MATTERS OF DISCUSSION (No Formal Action):

MEMBERSHIPS: If you have not already done so, Board members were reminded to renew USA Fencing Memberships after 7-31-19 and to be Safesport certified. Further, as per the resolution passed on April 29, 2018, the Division will reimburse members for the extra cost of obtaining the +Coach or +CheckedED (formerly Professional) Membership, upon request.

EVENT FEES: At the August 18, 2019 meeting, the Division adopted the following event fees for its fencing events:

- \$20 registration fee
- \$20 for the first event
- \$10 for each event thereafter

FINANCIAL REPORTING: Pursuant to a Memo from Director of Member Services for USA Fencing, Bob Bodor, USA Fencing intends to require “an accurate annual bank statement (along with regular financial report) NEXT AUGUST,” a letter (a copy of which was circulated) was sent to Mr. Bodor. He responded with a thumbs-up emoji, so that is the nature of the Division’s reporting henceforth.

OSU FENCING CLUB: Upon information and belief, there will be no new fencing club at OSU’s Steelwood fencing facility until at least August of 2020. It is not clear at this time exactly how the club will be structured or what its relations will be with the Division. However, since its manager will also be the current President of USA Fencing, Donald Anthony, it is expected that relations with the Columbus Division of USA Fencing will be better than for the previous club at Steelwood.

SCHMIDT'S OUTING: The annual Schmidt's outing has been booked for Saturday, February 1, 2020 at Schmidt's German Village, 240 E. Kossuth, Columbus 43206. The Chairman advanced the \$100 deposit.

TODD CURN: Mr. Hunker reported that he has located many unused event medals from the past, so we do not need to order the usual number of medals for the 2020 Todd Curn Memorial. Mr. Hunker and the Chairman will coordinate regarding what must be ordered this year.

OLD BUSINESS:

(1). OFFICIAL COD EVENT CALANENDAR 2019-2020:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the 2019-2020 schedule of COD and other notable fencing events will be as follows:

COD JO Qualifiers	December 15, 2019 at Royal Arts
Todd Curn Memorial	January 25, 2020 at Royal Arts
Junior Olympics (Jos)	February 14-17, 2020* Columbus Convention Center
Arnold Fencing	March 6-8, 2020* at Columbus Convention Center
Ohio High School Championship	April 4, 2020 at Royal Arts
NAC St. Louis	April 17-20 at St. Louis
COD Division II/III Qualifiers	May 2, 2020 at Royal Arts
Columbus Open	June 6, 20120 at Royal Arts
Summer Nationals (July Challenge)	June 28-July 7, 2019 at Louisville

*Non-COD event, being put on schedule for reference purposes.

(2). 2020 JO QULAIPIER: There was discussion of the upcoming JO Qualifier currently set for Sunday, December 15, 2019 at Royal Arts. As of the meeting, the largest events are as follows:

Junior ME, 8 at 12:30pm
Cadet WS, 7 at 11:30am
Junior MS, 6 at 9:00am

The Chairman reported that four referees have been hired, as of this time. Mr. Hunker reported that he has obtained the award medals for the event at a cost of \$100.88.

NEW BUSINESS:

(1). CERTIFICATION OF RESULTS FROM EVENTS: Upon a motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously passed the results of the following event were certified.

-- Dual In The Hills
-- Blue Box Open
-- Earn your D

(2). GRANT REQUEST: Upon a motion duly made, seconded, and passed the following resolution was adopted regarding the grant request of Aaron Buerghenthal on behalf of his UA Fencing Club:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the grant request made by Aaron Buerghenthal on behalf of his UA Fencing Club is granted in part. An equipment grant in the amount of \$1500.00 was made on the conditions set forth in the Receipt And Acknowledgment attached hereto as “**Exhibit A**” and incorporated herein, being that he will coordinate the order with the Treasurer, and, if deemed appropriate by the Division, mark the equipment; that the Club shall remain in operation; that the equipment (if it still exists) shall be returned to the Division for further non-profit use should the Club cease normal operations; that the Division shall have the right to repossess the equipment should the Club, in the opinion of the Division, cease normal operations hereafter.

(3). REIMBURSEMENT OF TREASURER: Upon a motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously passed the following resolution was passed regarding the reimbursement of the Treasurer for purchase of the JO medals:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Treasurer shall be reimbursed for his purchase of the JO medals in the amount of \$100.88.

(4). REIMBURSEMENT OF CHAIRMAN: Upon a motion duly made, seconded, and unanimously passed the following resolution was passed regarding the reimbursement of the Chairman for paying the deposit for the Schmidt’s outing:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chairman shall be reimbursed for his payment of the deposit for the Schmidt’s outing in the amount of \$100.0.

MISCELLANEOUS:

(1). The next meeting was set for Sunday, January 12, 2020 at 7:30 P.M. at the law office of Joseph Streb, 736 Neil Ave., Columbus, Ohio, 614-224-0200.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn was made, seconded, and unanimously passed.

/s/ Tim Mills

Secretary, Tim Mills

/s/ J. S. Streb

Chairman, Joseph S. Streb