



**Wheelchair and Ambulatory Sports, USA
Board of Directors Meeting
July 10, 2013**

8:00pm – 10:00pm EST

Present: Ralph Armento, Gregg Baumgarten, Jerry Clayton, Amie Day, Paul DePace (via conference call), Phil Galli, Denise Hutchins, Paul Johnson

Absent: Deb Armento, Mike Burns, Melinda Chappell, Jessica Galli, Darlene Hunter, Glen O'Sullivan

1. **Call to order by Gregg Baumgarten, Chair**
2. **Ames, Iowa 2014 NJDC LOC:** Kevin, Mike & Sean gave presentation on next year's NJDC.
3. **Chair's Report:** Gregg Baumgarten reported.
 - a. **CFC:** Gregg reported on CFC meeting with Felice who recommended WASUSA have broader keywords for our title in CFC such as Disability Youth Sports Initiative under a DBA (doing business as) to get the attention of contributors to our key functions.
 - b. **Membership:** Gregg discussed potential benefits of membership to increase interest. Gregg will meet with Mike Mushett for monthly conference calls. Denise will write out discussion points for these meetings.
 - c. **USP Meeting:** Gregg updated Board on the meeting with USP the day prior.
 - d. **Marketing:** Gregg is working on a potential relationship for WASUSA with Aflac. Phil and Amie offered additional marketing ideas.
 - e. **Budget:** Gregg recommended to budget \$35,000 for membership: \$20,000 for 20 - 1,000 ADF schedule drawing, \$7,000 challenge magazine for 1,000 subscriptions, and \$4,800 sports 'n spokes for 700 subscriptions. Denise wants to utilize 10 ADF scholarships for drawing at the meeting (must be a full member).
4. **International Liaison Report:** Paul DePace reported.
 - a. **IWAS Executive Meeting – United Kingdom, June 13-16, 2013:**
 - i. Planning for the General Assembly of Nations and elections of IWAS EB in Stadskanaal
 - ii. Discussion of Amputee football membership in IWAS
 - iii. Discussion of the Czech Republic membership in IWAS
 - iv. IWAS Junior Games in Stoke Mandeville 2014 – 10 year anniversary
 - b. **Operational issues:** Paul emailed background Monday night (7/8/2013)
 - i. Ex. Board (named)
 - ii. Met w/ IPC Russia: Pavel Roskov
 - iii. Recommend WASUSA begin relationship with amputee soccer with hope to become a paralympic sport
 - iv. Promote with DSUSA; possible joint program (embrace idea)
 - v. Paul asked to remain member @ Lg : Pavel Roskov, IWAS he accepted
 - vi. Read details of future games from email: IWAS nominated (1: Spain, 2: Russia – Paralympic order)
 - vii. **Paul moves to nominate Phil Galli for member @ large to IWAS ex board. Denise seconds. Passed**
 - viii. **Denise moves to nominate Paul Depace for president of IWAS. Phil seconds. Motion passed**
 - ix. **Gregg motions John Moss IWAS US Fencing ex. Committee pending position. Jerry seconds. Motion passed**
5. **Vice Chair's Report:** No report given.
6. **Treasurer's Report:** No report given.
7. **Office Report:** Ralph Armento reported



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- a. **2013 NDA:** Ralph recommended new date of NDA to be October 31- Nov 3. He is unable to get Gateway Inn (host hotel for NJDC 2014) Second hotel is costly for all conference rooms. Ralph is checking into alternate sites including possibly an airport hotel with a road trip to NJDC site.
- b. **NJDC Registration:** Ralph said he needs to look at registration for NJDC. He will be sending out a survey to 2013 registrars who used online to assist in revision.
- c. **HyTek:** HyTek swim meet manager is available for 1 year. Ralph said we need to try and incorporate it into our meets. It was noted that this can be another perk for sanctioning with WASUSA.