

U.S. Figure Skating Board of Directors

Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, March 5, 2024, 6:00pm ET / 3:00pm MT
via Zoom video conference

1. **Opening of the Board of Directors Meeting**
 - a. Welcome & call to order
 - b. Roll call/establishment of quorum
 - c. Approval and adoption of agenda
 - d. Conflict of interest disclosure
 - e. Acceptance of January 8, 2024 Board of Directors meeting minutes
 - f. Acceptance of January 8, 2024 Report of Action
2. **President's Report**
 - a. General
3. **Memorial Resolution for Claire Ferguson**
4. **Requests for Action**
 - a. Test fee increase from \$8 to \$10 (Rule 4701)
 - b. Remove test fees from the rulebook (Rules 4701-4704)
 - c. Language – C-step & S-step
 - d. Bylaw Amendment – Scope of Committees' Authority
 - e. Bylaw Amendment – Non-discrimination clause
 - f. National Appointment – Dance Technical Controller – Stephanie Jenkins
 - g. Approval of officials to take the International or ISU exam at the 2024 Frankfurt Seminar
5. **Governing Council – Standing Rules**
 - a. Approval of the Standing Rules for the 2024 Governing Council
6. **Legal Update – Executive Session**
7. **Budget Approval**
8. **Discussion / New Business**
9. **Adjourn**

Next Meetings of the Board of Directors:

Monday, April 1, 2024 – 7:00pm ET via ZOOM / Focus: Requests for Action

Thursday, April 25, 2024 – 8:30am – 4:30pm Colorado Springs, Colo.

Saturday, April 27, 2024 – Governing Council

**U.S. Figure Skating Board of Directors
Via Video Conference
Tuesday, March 5, 2024, 6 p.m. ET**

Present – Voting Members

Samuel Auxier (President), Jackie Chang, Jennifer Hartley, Victoria Hildebrand (Treasurer), Jenna Longo, Tina Lundgren, Colin McManus, Heather Paige, Matthew Slatius; Kevin Rosenstein, Amanda Will (Vice President), Kym Worthy and Felicia Zhang

Present – Non-Voting Members

Todd Bromley, Anne Cammett (Past President), Troy Goldstein, Pilar Helm, Tracy Marek (Chief Executive Officer) and Elise Preston

Absent

Pooja Kalyan, Kimberley Moore (Secretary), Lauren O'Toole, Simon Shnapir (alternate USOPC AAC representative)

Guests

Sharon Rogers (for recommendations to take the international and ISU exams)

Staff

John Anderson, Eric Fehr, Shelbi Meyer (for legal updates), Juliet Newcomer and Kelly Vogtner

I. Opening of the Board of Directors Meeting

- A. Auxier called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.
- B. In Moore's absence, Newcomer confirmed attendance and a quorum using the participant list in Zoom.
- C. The agenda was adopted without objection.
- D. Auxier asked the members to disclose any conflicts based on tonight's agenda. Goldstein disclosed that he will have a conflict with the requests for action from the International Officials Committee. Bromley declared a conflict with the same requests for action once he joined the meeting.
- E. The Jan. 8 minutes and report of action were approved.

II. President's Report

- A. Auxier reviewed the 2024 U.S. Synchronized Skating Championships and the 2024 ISU World Junior Figure Skating Championships.
- B. Auxier provided information on an ISU Grand Prix Commission meeting that was held in Taipei.
- C. Auxier provided an update on the work being done to review the IT strategy going forward.

<Hartley joined the meeting.>

III. Memorial Resolution for Claire Ferguson

Newcomer addressed the Memorial Resolution for Claire Ferguson that had been posted and reviewed via Basecamp. Worthy then made the following motion:

MOTION: to approve a Memorial Resolution for Claire Ferguson, past president and honorary member of the U.S. Figure Skating Board of Directors, who recently passed away. **SECONDED, APPROVED.**

<Longo joined the meeting.>

IV. Requests for Action

- A. Newcomer presented a request for the board to support a proposal to increase the test fees by \$2 per test from \$8 to \$10, to align with the proposed budget, and to remove the test fees from the rules. There were no objections to moving those proposals forward on behalf of the board.
- B. On behalf of O'Toole, Newcomer presented a request to have the board support a proposal to remove the terms "Mohawk" and "Choctaw" from the rulebook and replace them with "C step" and "S Step" respectively. There were no objections to moving those proposals forward on behalf of the board.
- C. Rosenstein and Vogtner presented a request to have the board support a proposal to amend Article XVII and rule CMR 3.04. There were no objections to moving those proposals forward on behalf of the board, in partnership with the Strategic Planning Committee.

- D. Newcomer presented a request to have the board support a proposal to update the non-discrimination clause in the bylaws and rules. It was determined that additional qualifiers needed to be added. Anderson and Newcomer agreed to address that outside of the meeting and bring the proposal back with the requested amendments.

<Bromley joined and Lundgren left the meeting.>

- E. Bromley provided the board with information on the 2024-25 National Qualifying Series and made the following motion:

MOTION: to approve the 2024-25 NQS Participant Handbook. **SECONDED. APPROVED.**

- F. Bromley then made the following motion:

MOTION: to approve Stephanie Jenkins for national dance technical controller. **SECONDED. APPROVED.**

<Zhang and Rogers joined the meeting, and Bromley and Goldstein were moved to the waiting room.>

- G. Rogers presented the candidates being recommended by the International Officials Management Subcommittee and answered questions. The following motions were made.

MOTION (by Hildebrand): to approve the candidates to take the international and ISU judge exams. **SECONDED. APPROVED.**

MOTION (by Worthy): to approve the candidates to take the international and ISU technical controller exams. **SECONDED. APPROVED.**

<Slatus left the meeting.>

MOTION (by Hildebrand): to approve the candidates to take the international and ISU technical specialist exams. **SECONDED. APPROVED.**

MOTION (by Paige): to approve the candidates to take the ISU data operator exam. **SECONDED. APPROVED.**

<Rogers left the meeting. Bromley and Goldstein re-joined the meeting.>

V. Standing Rules

Newcomer gave an overview of the proposed Standing Rules for the 2024 Annual Governing Council Meeting. Will then made the following motion:

MOTION: to approve the proposed Standing Rules for the 2024 Annual Governing Council Meeting. **SECONDED. APPROVED.**

VI. Budget Approval

Hildebrand and Fehr addressed questions on the budget. Rosenstein then made the following motion:

MOTION: to approve the 2024-25 budget for presentation to the 2024 Governing Council. **SECONDED. APPROVED.**

<Meyer joined the meeting.>

VII. Legal Updates

Anderson and Meyer gave an update on media issues.

<Fehr left the meeting.>

<Auxier made a motion to go into executive session. Seconded. Approved.>

<Auxier made a motion to come out of executive session. Seconded. Approved.>

Worthy then made the following motion:

MOTION: to terminate the membership of member XYZ pursuant to U.S. Figure Skating Rule MR 60.01 based on information set forth in the Modified Notice of Decision from the U.S. Center for SafeSport dated Dec. 27, 2023, to which there was no appeal from member XYZ. **SECONDED. APPROVED.**

<Meyer left the meeting.>

VIII. Discussion/New Business – None

IX. Closing Announcements and Adjournment

Auxier moved to adjourn the meeting. There were no objections.

The next regularly scheduled business meeting of the board will be via video conference on Monday, April 1, at 7 p.m. ET.

Meeting concluded at 9:10 p.m. ET

Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Kimberley C. Moore". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style. The first name "Kimberley" is written in a larger, more prominent script, followed by "C." and "Moore".

Kimberley Moore, Secretary