U.S. FIGURE SKATING REPORT OF ACTION taken by the BOARD OF DIRECTORS Feb. 20, 2021

The Board of Directors took the following actions:

- 1. APPROVED the recommendation from the Competitions Committee for the entry fees for the 2022 Championship Series.
- 2. **APPROVED** the recommendation from the Competitions Committee for the entry fees for the 2022, 2023 and 2024 adult qualifying competitions.
- 3. APPROVED the 2021-22 final budget for presentation to the 2021 Governing Council
- **4. SUPPORTED** submitting the bylaw amendments recommended by the Governance Working Group to the 2021 Governing Council from the Board of Directors as a whole.
- APPROVED Dance Development & Technical Committee Amend rule 8259 (page 256, Rulebook) as follows:
 - 8259 International Pattern Dance Test: Solo (All Candidates)
 DANCES: <u>Austrian Waltz</u>, Cha Cha Congelado, <u>Finnstep</u>, <u>Golden Waltz</u>, <u>Midnight Blues</u>, <u>Ravensburger</u>
 Waltz, Rhumba, Silver Samba, Tango Romantica, Tea-Time Foxtrot, Yankee Polka

Implementation date: March 1, 2021*

*Proviso: Skaters may begin taking any of these tests as an individual pattern dance on March 1, 2021, but they will not become required pattern dances to complete the international solo pattern dance test until July 1, 2022.

6. APPROVED – Dance Development & Technical Committee

Amend **rules 8441, 8451 and 8461 (pages 274-276, Rulebook)** to repeat the 2020-21 pattern dances for intermediate, juvenile and pre-juvenile for 2021-22 and delay the remaining groups of pattern dances accordingly:

8441 Selection of Intermediate Pattern Dances

For each competition season, the following groups of two pattern dances will alternate in the order shown.

A. 2020-21 2021-22 Group C – European Waltz, Rocker Foxtrot

- 1. Each couple may provide their own music for each dance. See rule 8031 (B) for requirements.
- 2. The dances will be skated in the order listed.
- 3. Draw for the skating order of the couples will be made in accordance with rules 2722, 2723 and 8074.
- 4. The number of sequences of each dance will be as specified in rule 8075.
- B. 2021-22 2022-23 Group D Tango, Fourteenstep
- C. 2022-23 2023-24 Group A Rocker Foxtrot, European Waltz
- D. 2023-24 2024-25 Group B American Waltz, Foxtrot

8451 Selection of Juvenile Pattern Dances

For each competition season, the following groups of two pattern dances will alternate in the order shown.

A. 2020-21 2021-22 Group C – Fourteenstep, Willow Waltz

- 1. Each couple may provide their own music for each dance. See rule 8031 (B) for requirements.
- 2. The dances will be skated in the order listed.
- 3. Draw for the skating order of the couples will be made in accordance with rules 2722, 2723 and 8074;
- 4. The number of sequences in each dance will be specified in rule 8075.
- B. 2021-22 2022-23 Group D Foxtrot, Cha Cha
- C. 2022 23 2023-24 Group A Willow Waltz, Fiesta Tango
- D. 2023-24 2024-25 Group B Hickory Hoedown, Ten-Fox

8461 Selection of Pre-Juvenile Pattern Dances

For each competition season, the initial and final round dances will be from the following groups of two pattern dances:

A. For 2020-21 2021-22 Group B will be skated

Group B: Initial Round – Rhythm Blues, Canasta Tango

Final Round - Cha Cha, Swing Dance

B. For 2021 22 2022-23 Group A will be skated

Group A: Initial Round - Dutch Waltz, Cha Cha

Final Round – Rhythm Blues, Fiesta Tango

- C. Each couple may provide their own music for each dance. See rule 8031 (B) for requirements.
- D. The dances will be skated in the order listed.
- E. The skating order shall remain the same for each dance of the final round.

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- 7. ADOPTED the 2020-21 updates to the 2018-2022 Strategic Plan.
- 8. APPROVED amending the qualifying competition rules, as needed, for the 2021-22 U.S. Figure Skating qualifying season (singles, pairs, ice dance, synchronized, adult and collegiate) to allow the Competitions Committee, with the approval of the Board of Directors, and in cooperation with appropriate committees, to provide a flexible environment for our members to return to qualifying competitions. As exhibited during the 2020-21 U.S. Figure Skating qualifying season, the Competitions Committee will continue to follow the rules as closely as possible, and the 2021-22 requirements will be published in handbooks on the Members Only site prior to registration launching.
- **9. APPROVED** the reimagined 2022 qualifying season and the discontinuation of Technical Notification 250 which allowed athletes to skate up two levels.
- 10. APPROVED holding the 2021 Governing Council meeting via video conference.
- 11. APPROVED temporarily passing the signing authority of the executive director to the chief marketing officer through May 31, 2021, or upon the return of the executive director, whichever is sooner. In addition to the current policy wherein the president must sign for purchase orders over \$50,000, during this duration the president and treasurer are to be notified and must authorize check and cash disbursement requests over \$50,000.