

**USA Federation for Sport Cheering
Board of Directors Meeting
January 25, 2023**

After a roll call and confirming that a quorum was present, the meeting was called to order at approximately 1:06 p.m. CT by Lauri Harris via ZOOM video/teleconference.

The following members of the Board of Directors participated in the meeting:

- Rhonda Blanford-Green
- Andres Cantero
- Justin Carrier
- Asia Chatman
- Celia Kiogima
- Jim Lord (non-voting)
- Ryan O'Connor
- Christa Sanford (joined at approximately 1:10 p.m. CT)
- Ben Schreiber
- John Stuart
- Lee Trudell
- Kaitlynn Volmer

Directors absent from the meeting:

- Dr. Jeff Dugas
- Bob Dunseath
- Bill Seely

Also attending the meeting were the following:

- Lauri "Looie" Harris, Executive Director
- Jessica Chatto, Assistant Secretary
- Danika H. Mendrygal, Attorney, Mendrygal Law PLLC
- Lynne M. Howard, Paralegal, Mendrygal Law PLLC

Approval of Minutes – Lauri Harris

- Lauri referenced the draft minutes of the December 20, 2022 meeting of the Board of Directors, previously circulated to the Board for review, and opened for comments. With no comments or revisions raised, upon motion by Justin Carrier to approve the minutes as circulated, and seconded by Celia Kiogima, the December 20, 2022 minutes were unanimously approved.

At approximately 1:10 p.m. CT Christa Sanford joined the meeting.

Affiliate Organizations Council (AOC) – Lauri Harris

- Lauri shared that the United States Olympic & Paralympic Committee's (USOPC) official announcement of USA Cheer's recognition as a Recognized Sport Organization (RSO) and a member of the AOC was released early January, and briefly discussed the significance of this milestone for cheerleading on its path to participate as an Olympic sport.

STUNT Update – Lauri Harris

- Lauri provided a detailed update on the status of proposed legislation under review by NCAA Divisions I, II, and III to establish STUNT as an emerging sport as per the initial recommendation of the NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics' (CWA) made in 2022, reporting that Division II approved the proposed legislation and Divisions I and III referred the legislation back to the CWA. The Board engaged in a discussion with Lauri responding to questions.
- Lauri provided an update on the 2023 STUNT season, noting that there has been growth in all member categories, including coaches.

Legal Update – Lauri Harris and Jim Lord

- Lauri provided a legal update and opened for questions, and there were none.
- Lauri shared with the Board the evolution of the Unified Ineligibility List (the "**List**"), highlighting that the purpose of the list is strictly focused on athlete protection. Jim Lord elaborated on the composition and scope of the List, and spoke briefly about applicability of the SafeSport Act.

Financial Update – Lauri Harris

- Lauri reported that USA Cheer is preparing a short year 2022 Form 990 (for the period of January 1, 2022 through June 30, 2022) as a result of the change to USA Cheer's fiscal year.
- An updated budget adjusted for the fiscal year change is being prepared and will be circulated for review at the next Board meeting.

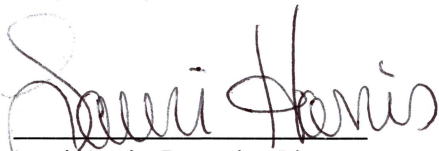
Education Update – Lauri Harris and Jim Lord

- Lauri reported that USA Cheer is developing a campaign for body image awareness month in February, aimed at educating and raising awareness of body image issues in the cheer community. Jim Lord noted that USA Cheer partners with TrueSport for educational content, and that the campaign will be focused on helping athletes develop positive body image, and how parents, coaches, and trainers can best support body positivity.

Closing of Meeting and Adjournment – Lauri Harris

- Lauri provided closing remarks. She confirmed that the next Board meeting will be held on April 30 in Dallas in conjunction with the STUNT national championship.
- With no further questions or comments, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:47 p.m. CT.

Respectfully submitted,



Lauri Harris, Executive Director