

**USADB Team Representative Council
Meeting Minutes**

Location: Indianapolis, IN (Boys and Girls Club of Noblesville)

Date: Wednesday, May 4, 2022

Time: 8:28 pm

Roll Call:

Carl Denney, USADB Commissioner

Paige Thompson, USADB Interim Deputy Commissioner and Interim Public Relations

Ronnie Zuchegno, USADB National Tournament Director

Sarah Faber, USADB Women Representative

Joey Kutcka, USADB Treasurer

Zamica Gage, Indianapolis Checkers

Tony Wilkerson, Indianapolis Checkers

Arturo Iniquez, Texas Outlaws/Texas Warriors

Paul Mitchell, DC 95ers

Agenda/Notes:

Carl Denney explained the executive board motion to allow adding of players on Men's team if have less than 7 players up to 8 total players without any regard to the Free Agent rule.

Deadline is Thursday, May 5, 2022 at 11 am EST.

Ron Zuchegno explains the zoom meetings with Women and Men. Shared about roster/registration experiences where two men's team backed out (10 to 8), referees 9 to 7, scheduling of games (both round robin and bracket), balls are provided, Women play on wood floor entire tournament at Boys and Girls Club of Noblesville, Both games start at 8 Saturday at Ivy Tech.

Informal discussion about NDBO and history.

Arturo Iniquez asked three questions

- 1) Officer turnover: Paige Thompson responded to what has happened the last 3 years (see below)

2) Prize money

3) Men Free Agent motion: Carl Denney explained the motion was made at TRC in 2019, due to men not meeting quorum, the motion was dead. Suggest proposing again.

High Turnover of Officers/Staff

Conclusion of 2019 Tournament

- Commissioner - Christina Costello (last term; can't be appointed or elected as was 3rd term)
- Deputy Commissioner - Benro Ogunyipe (finished his term)
- Secretary - Michelle Mendiola
- Treasurer - James Powell
- Public Relations - Steve Schoenberg
- National Director - Joey Baer
- Youth Director –
- International Director - Jeremias Valencia

2020 Covid hits (canceled Tournament)

- Commissioner - Christina Costello (term ended July 2020)
 - Jason Lamonto becomes moves up to Commissioner Position
- Deputy Commissioner - Jason Lamonto
 - Position becomes vacant
- Secretary - Michelle Mendiola
- Treasurer - James Powell
- Public Relations - Vacant
- National Director - Vacant
- Youth Director - Vacant
- Women Rep - Sarah Faber

2021 Covid hits (canceled Tournament)

- Commissioner - Jason Lamonto
 - USADB EC committee interviewed 3 candidates and recommended Joseph Brafford to be elected. EB did so and Brafford started term July 2020, but resigned Jan 2021
 - USADB EB/EC appointed Carl Denney (started term July 2021 - 1 year)
- Deputy Commissioner - Vacant
 - USADB EB appointed Richard McCowin (started term July 2021 - 2 years)

- Secretary - Michelle Mendiola
 - USADB EB appointed Kristina Lorenzo-Arteaga (started term July 2021 - 1 year)
- Treasurer - James Powell (finishes term)
 - USADB EB appointed Joey Kutcka (started term July 2021 - 2 years)
- Public Relations - Paige Thompson (appointed March 2021 - 1 year)
- National Director - Appointed Ron Zuchegno (October 2021)
- Youth Director - Appointed Leo Gutierrez (July 2021)
- Women Rep - Sarah Faber

2022

- Commissioner Carl Denney (elected, finish 2024)
- Deputy Commissioner Richard McCowin (USADB EB voted to remove by $\frac{2}{3}$ vote)
 - USADB EB appointed Paige Thompson (started term 2022 to complete 2023)
- Secretary Kristina Lorenzo-Arteaga (elected, finish 2024)
- Treasurer Joey Kutcka (finish 2023)
- Public Relations Paige Thompson (to complete July 2022)
 - Will appoint
- National Director - Appointed Ron Zuchegno (October 2021)
- Youth Director - Appointed Leo Gutierrez (July 2021)
- Women Rep - Sarah Faber