

**USAT Mideast Region Council
Conference Call
Thursday, April 6th, 2017
9:00 pm – 10:00 pm EST**

Presiding: Michael Wendorf

Present: Thom Figueroa Jim Weaver
 Rob Garren Craig Thompson
 Mike Groaning Graham Wilson
 Paul Plummer

Minutes: Michelle C Harter

Absent: Matt Allgeier Dave Kuendig Daphne Glover
 Todd Baldi Chris Navin Jereme Grinslade
 Dan Tun Courtney Maddock Kristin Nemitz
 Lucas O'Bryan Jeff Grady

ACTION ITEMS SUMMARY

| Task | Responsible | BY (if applicable) |
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| Check with National on Regional Championship expenditures. | Michael | April 30th |
| Reschedule Face to face meeting. | Michelle | asap |

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Called to Order 9:07 pm EST

Roll Call – Michelle

Regions FAQ- Michael

- General discussion on the FAQ and opened for questions.
- The purpose of the FAQ and tenets is to make Regions more uniform in their program and event focus and to align with National goals.

Youth Grant Program Update - Michael

- Michael has been working closely with Meg Weagley on the National Youth grant program.
- Collaboration with the National youth grant program has been positive and Mideast was authorized to move forward with our Regional youth grant program.
- The application was updated and distributed to race directors, coaches and youth organizations.
- Applications will be accepted until April 22nd.
- The Mideast youth grant subcommittee will review applications shortly after April 22nd to determine proposed grant awards. Proposed awards will be brought to Council for a vote by early May.

Race Director/Coaches Symposium Update – Mike G

- A conference call between Rob Urbach, Kathy Matejka, Michael, Mike, and Kris Swarthout (Midwest Chair) took place to clarify if the Regional Symposium would be held this year.
- The Mideast/Midwest has been approved to move forward with our Regional Symposium this year. However, we will be alternating years with the National Race Director symposium in the future and target reach may include a broader market geographically.
- National is in support of our Symposium and will collaborate with us to deliver each year.

MERCERS Update – Michelle on behalf of Todd

- Subcommittee has met a few times and rolled out a survey to clubs to gather feedback for revamping the program.
- Survey data was reviewed and recommendations were proposed and discussed.
- Several changes are being made to engage more clubs, encourage growth and encourage racing in USAT sanctioned events.
- Registration for the Series opens next week.

Face-to-Face Spring Meeting has been rescheduled. Date and location TBD

Meeting Adjourned at 10:00 pm EST