

**USAT Mideast Region Council  
Conference Call  
Thursday, May, 7th, 2015  
9:00 pm – 10:00 pm EST**

**Presiding: Jim Weaver**

**Present: Dan Tun                      Jereme Grinslade      Mindy Soranno  
                 Lindsey Cook                      Lawrence Giannetti**

**Minutes: Michelle C Harter**

**Absent: Mike Abegg                      Todd Baldi                      Juliette Goldstein.                      Rob Garren  
                 Graham Wilson                      Michael Wendorf                      Lesley Kruzel                      Robert Takla  
                 Mike Groaning                      Jeff Grady                      Maggi Wettstein                      Dave Kuendig  
                 Nick Cunningham**

**ACTION ITEMS SUMMARY**

Task	Responsible	BY (if applicable)
Indicate interest in serving on Mideast Foundation Exploratory Committee.	All	May 15
Need a substitute council member for Muncie Regional Championship.	All	May 15
Submit newsletter items to Michelle.	All	May 20

**Meeting Minutes**

*Meeting Called to Order 9:05 pm EST*

Regional chairs meeting - Jim

- Best practices discussed among the different regions and aligning objectives on national and regional levels.

Mideast Foundation Initiative – Jereme

- Discussed the importance of determining the direction and purpose of this initiative.
- Two potential routes include forming an advise fund within USAT or an independent 501c3 foundation.
- Suggested that an exploratory committee be formed to formulate mission, goals and objectives as well as develop a strategic plan.
- Committee members would be the driving force to develop and implement the process and requires commitment to these roles over the next year or two.

Admin update – Michelle

- Dan writing an article for our next USAT Magazine issue.
- Submit any region news announcements or blurbs by May 20<sup>th</sup>.
- Reviewed which council members are attending our regional champs events June 6<sup>th</sup> weekend.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:40 pm EST