



## American Canoe Association (ACA) Competition Council Meeting Minutes

### American Canoe Association Competition Council February 27, 2019 Meeting Minutes

Attended:

Marsh Jones - Chair  
Brandon Holiday - Alt AAC  
Jeff Owen - Wildewater  
Emily Wright - AAC  
Nate Lord - WW Open Canoe Downriver  
Debby Page - Paracanoes  
Brad Pennington - Marathon  
Jim O'Dell - Dragon Boat  
Shannon Moore - ACA Paracanoes High Performance Manager  
Linda Dresbach - NCORA/Outrigger  
Chris Norbury - At-large  
Don Anderson

The meeting opened at 7:36 A motion to approve last meeting minutes was made by Jeff Owen. It was seconded by Nate Lord. Minutes approved

#### Report from Chair

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2. Resignation of Mike Shandroff. Outrigger
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5. USA Cup, competitions around the nation.
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8. Committee from Competition Council to document
9. framework similar to SEIC for every discipline, coaches and officials' education and certification.
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Marsh requested input from disciplines regarding challenges and quotas

## Committee Reports

Coaching Framework - Nominations are needed, and Nate and Chris agreed to identify names of interested officials

Paracanoe - Has hired Shannon as Paracanoe high performance manager. Still working with USOC for funding package and quota slots

## Discipline Reports

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- Dragonboat (Jim) - Working on teams for club crew in Ukraine, Worlds in India. Pushing ACA ACA insurance packages for entities interested in holding events, and is seeing more interest from a variety of organizations.
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- Wildwater (Jeff) - Updating selection criteria to look at alternatives to percentages Incompetent paddlers might make criteria if just ranking. Small discipline.
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- WWOC (Nate) - Revised competition rules and will be published soon on ACA website.
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- Slalom (Nate) - No discipline representation. Nate is working on Olympic selection criteria, policy for slalom officials certification..
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- Surfski - US Surfski championships scheduled for May 11 in San Francisco Bay
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- Outrigger (Linda) - Will look for a new representative for the Competition Council. NCORA hosts the Surfski Nationals(?). Working on current season calendar, and on a resolution to the Raymond Venole issue (since 2014). Lawyers suggest coming up with cease and desist.
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- Sprint - April 12-14 "Cup series" try to weave in city sprints concept. Canal in Potsdam. Head to head 165m or so.
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- Marathon (Brad) - Trials will take place April 27 at Sugarland, Houston for the 4th time in the last seven years. Selection criteria to be posted on ACA website, and Facebook event will be up soon. A large turnout is expected. Lake Lanier mentioned interest in hosting Trials in the future. .
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## Discussion Topics

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- Selection criteria for WW athletes: Jeff again
- mentioned the competency issues for WW
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- Debby spoke about the Ted Stevens Act issues.
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- Chris Norbury raised need for Safety to be
- the first criteria for selection.
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- Open discussion about how to objectively set
- criteria.
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- Debby is meeting later this week regarding
- selection criteria and will pass along any information learned.
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- Jim discussed selection process for Dragon.
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- Chris Norbury brought up the need to transition
- or convert recreation paddlers into competition. Marsh to discuss w/staff over the weekend at the Board of Directors meeting
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- We need to provide rosters to the individual
- disciplines with active, licensed and non-renewed members as a tool to help drive renewals.
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**Next Meeting - March 13, 2019**

Motion to adjourn - Don Anderson.  
Meeting adjourned at 8:47 CT

Draft minutes submitted by R. Shimoda