USA Shooting Board of Directors
Special Meeting for the Election of At-Large Directors
March 16, 2015
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The special meeting was conducted by telephone conference. Meeting was called to order by president James Lally at 1:36 MDT.

Kevin Neuendorf was asked to call the roll. Present were Gary Anderson, Randy Clark, Bob Delfay, Butch Eller, Dr. James Lally, Bob Mitchell, Janet Raab, Josh Richmond, Kinsey Robinson, Cris Stone, Bret Tecklenburg, Jason Turner, Mary Weeks and Lones Wigger. Dennis Willing was absent. A quorum was established.

Lally asked if there were any guests/additional persons present on the phone call. Tom James responded that he was present as USA Shooting legal counsel. There were no additional responses regarding guests on the call.

Lally announced that the conference was being recorded.

Eller asked about Kevin’s status and if he would remain on the call stating he thought this was a closed meeting. Lally responded that Kevin’s presence was to take roll call. Kevin then exited the conference.

Eller stated an objection to having USAS corporate legal counsel (James) on the call. Lally responded that this is an objection of one person. He asked if anyone else has an opinion or input regarding legal counsel being present. Eller then made a motion for James not to remain on the call. Lally asked there was a second to the motion. Weeks seconded the motion. Lally called the question with votes taken by roll call. Voting results were 11 for having counsel on the call through the meeting, 2 opposed and 1 abstention. Lally stated Mr. James may remain on the call.

President Lally stated he would recuse himself from conducting the election because he was a candidate. As such he was turning the nominating and election process over to Kinsey Robinson, chair of the Nominating Committee.

Robinson reported there are three director positions available and that the Nominating Committee recommends Dr. Lally for position #1, Cris Stone for position #2 and Colonel Dennis Behrens for position #3. He continued by outlining the nomination and election procedures stating he would announce the name of the person nominated then make three calls for further nominations.

Eller inquired as to the director status of Gary Anderson. There was a discussion on whether Anderson is correctly seated as a board member and whether Anderson has or has not been confirmed to continue as the senior ISSF representative in accordance with the Bylaws.
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Eller requested that USAS legal counsel Tom James provide his opinion on this matter. James confirmed Gary’s status as a current director stating the basis for his opinion. Eller followed with an objection to Anderson status and Weeks joined in that objection. James responded that the opportunity to object to Anderson’s election to serve in the position of Senior ISSF Representative on the USAS Board of Directors would have been at the time Anderson was recommended and endorsed by the board as a candidate for ISSF vice-president. He further stated that this was a special meeting and that this matter was not on the agenda for this meeting. No further objections were made and the meeting continued.

Tecklenburg questioned the roll call vote procedure. There was discussion regarding secret ballot versus roll call vote. Lally commented that the Executive Committee was tasked with establishing voting procedures and roll call voting was agreed upon. A motion was made and seconded to conduct closed (secret) ballots. Lally called the question regarding the motion for a closed vote. Mitchell tallied the votes announcing results being 7 for open roll call, 6 for a closed vote, and 1 abstention.

Lally directed Robinson to continue with the nomination and election process.

Robinson explained the nomination and voting procedures. He proceeded with director position #1. The Nominating Committee nominated Dr. James Lally. Robinson asked for further nominations. Tecklenburg nominated Mike English. There were no further nominations.

Robinson stated that the Nominating Committee nominated Mr. Cris Stone for position #2. He asked for further nominations. There were no further nominations. Position #2 was declared closed.

Robinson followed stating the Nominating Committee nominated Colonel Dennis Behrens for position #3. He called for further nominations. Weeks nominated Cindy Flanagan. Robinson added that Flannigan has declared she will serve if elected. There were no further nominations and nominations were closed for director #3.

Robinson then called for votes via roll call for director #1. Votes were cast. Mitchell tallied votes and announced 7 for Lally, 6 for English and 1 abstention. Robinson declared Lally the winner for position #1.

Robinson continued stating Cris Stone’s nomination is uncontested for position #2, therefore, he can be elected by acclamation. There were no objections and Stone was declared elected.

Robinson called for votes for director #3. Votes were cast. Mitchell announced the tally is 8 votes for Col Behrens, 5 votes for Cindy Flanagan, and 1 abstention. Col Behrens was declared elected for position #3.
President Lally offered a reminder that the next board meeting is the 18th of April in Colorado Springs. He thanked everyone for their participation and called for a motion to adjourn which was so moved and seconded with meeting adjourned 2:22 MDT.