

Minutes of USRowing High Performance Committee Call April 10th 2017

Attendance:

Charley Butt
Bob Ernst
Yaz Farooq
Matt Imes
Rob Milam
Dan Walsh

Agenda:

- Nike Contract
- Special Request for Speed Order
- Future of High Performance Clubs

Motion to approve the previous meetings minutes was seconded and passed unanimously by those present.

Nike Contract

- Information was shared about the Nike contract in relation to the current frustrations expressed by outside parties.
- Discussion on how the contract would affect athletes and the Athlete Agreement.

Special Request for Speed Order

- An athlete made a request to race in an event, but wanted to receive special consideration for a World Cup petition in a different event.
- Discussion on whether making an exception would create a precedent which would cause issues in future years and events. Consensus reached that athletes should compete at the speed orders in the event class in which they would look to earn World Cup berths.

Future of High Performance Clubs

- Starting point for the discussion on the role HP Clubs will play in the future.
- The importance of allowing athletes to identify with outside clubs even while training at the Training Center because of both the support they receive from those clubs and importance of clubs taking pride in athletes they have helped foster.
- Ongoing discussion.

Entered Executive Session to discuss the ongoing search for a Men's Head Coach.