

**When:** January 09, 2021 (Start at 9, end by 5:00pm)

**Location:** Your Computer (GoToMeeting)

Start time **9:00** am.

- 1) Appointment of Secretary
- 2) Roll call
- 3) Review agenda
- 4) Treasurer Report
- 5) Old Business
- 6) Rules Committee / Rules Proposals
- 7) Regionals 2021
- 8) Nationals Update
- 9) **Break for Lunch**
- 10) Vote on Officials
- 11) AWSA East Regional Committee Reports
- 12) AWSA National Committees
- 13) AWSA President Message
- 14) AWSA Executive Item
- 15) AWSA/USA Water Ski Executive Items
- 16) AWSA Board Meeting January 30,2021
- 17) **Regional Recommendations**
- 18) Please email me a selfie
- 19) Adjourn 5:00pm

Details Below...

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| Name                     | Representation                        | RSVPed to Meeting |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Jim Powell               | EVP                                   | X                 |
| Heather Boroughs         | Treasurer                             | X?                |
| Ralph Hall               | National Director                     | X                 |
| John Wilkins             | National Director                     | X                 |
| Doug Robbins             | National Director                     | X                 |
| Matt Byrne               | Council – CT                          | X                 |
| Brett Brandau            | Council – DE                          | X                 |
| David Allen              | Council – MA                          | X                 |
| Dave Robbins             | Council – ME                          |                   |
| Scott Behner             | Council – NH                          | X                 |
| Bill Fosbenner           | Council – NJ                          | X                 |
| Dean Rudy                | Council – NY                          | LM                |
| George Vosburgh          | Council – NY                          | X ON ROAD         |
| John Davis               | Council – PA                          | X                 |
| Gary Noll                | Council – PA                          | X                 |
| Wick Merchant            | Council – VA                          | X                 |
| Justin Campfield         | Council – VT                          | X                 |
| Sam Ingram               | Council – WV                          | X                 |
| Mike Sturdevant          | President – MD                        | X ON ROAD         |
| Jon Bickel               | President – PA                        | X                 |
| Karen Melnik             | President – VA                        | X                 |
| Bruce Epstien            | President – VT                        | X                 |
| Pat Byrne                | Director, USA Water Ski & Wake Sports | X                 |
| Jeff Hardin              | By Laws                               | LM                |
| Joel Zeisler             | Disabled (WSDA)                       |                   |
| Al Harris                | Drivers Committee                     | X                 |
| William Baker            | Honorary Director                     | X                 |
| Robert Corson            | Honorary Director                     |                   |
| Roger Hammel             | Honorary Director                     | X                 |
| Steven Lohr              | Honorary Director                     | X                 |
| Tonya Maurer             | Honorary Director                     | X                 |
| Jerry Stansberry         | Honorary Director                     |                   |
| Jon Thacher              | Honorary Director                     | X                 |
| Hutch Haines             | International Activities              | X                 |
| TG Powell                | Regional Junior Development           | X                 |
| Darlene McCormick        | Regional Web Hosting                  |                   |
| David Allen              | Rules Committee                       | ?                 |
| Dana Hinman              | Skiers Rating                         | LM                |
| Chip Shand               | Technical Committee                   | X                 |
| Jennifer Frederick-Kelly | Tournament Seeding                    | LM                |
| Amy Craig                | Waterways                             | LM                |

**Additional Membership Attendees (names noted below RVSPd as attending:**

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| John Paulovich |  |
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**Total Attended:** ## people attended representing ## of our 14 states.

**Yellow:** Actions and Votes

**GREEN:** Motions and East Region Recommendations

Official start time **###** am.

- 1) Appointment of Secretary
- 2) Roll call
- 3) Review agenda
- 4) Treasurer Report (Heather) - 15 min **Attachment 02a,b,c**
  - a. Review 2020-year end
  - b. Budget Items for 2021
    - i. Clinic instructors – send Heather (heatherboroughs@gmail.com) the registration file as soon as the clinic is over, through email (scanned/PDF); this way she can cut a check to HQ for the clinic fees.
    - ii. **MOTION** from Jim: Grant the EVP access to \$2000 in 2021 for Membership Engagement activities.
      1. Rationale is that funds are needed to reach out to new and existing membership in different ways to expand engagement.
      2. Seconded ???
      3. Vote
        - Yes:
        - No:
- 5) Old Buisness (Jim)
  - a. Suggestion from 2020 winter meeting to increase Regional sanction fee from the current \$125.
    - i. Discussion
  - b. Minutes from Summer meeting have been posted on website.
- 6) Rules Committee / Rules Proposals (David Allen, Gary Noll) – 1 hour **ATTACHMENT #3**
  - a. See Rules Committee Report
  - b. Conference Call follow up ?
    - i. Set date for call if necessary, prior to National BOD meeting.
    - ii. **ACTION:** Council is to review the proposals and bring the ones that they either need more information about OR want the East to ‘reject and send back to the committee’.

**7) Regionals – 1 hour**

- a. Should Regionals be run as E with L option, due to new IWWF License requirement? (\$25 yearly or \$7 per event license)
- b. 2021 – See Bid [Attached - #04](#)

- i. **Council Vote on bid for 2021 Eastern Regionals**

- 1. **VOTE**
    - Yes:
    - No:

**8) Nationals Update – 15 min**

- a. 2021 Waters Edge Estates, Willmington, Il (8/8/2021 - 8/14/2021)
- b. From Exec Meeting
  - i. Nationals
    - 1. Officials can be split by half week.

**9) Break For Lunch**

**10) Vote on Officials – 20 min [Attachment #05](#)**

- a. Regionals Officials Suggested:
  - i. Judges (CJ, Dave Allen / ACJ, ???)
    - 1. ??
    - 2. ??
    - 3. ??
    - 4. ??
    - 5. ??
    - 6. ??
    - 7. ALT ??
  - ii. Drivers (CD Matt Byrne)
    - 1. ??
    - 2. ??
    - 3. ??
  - iii. Scorers (CScr, TG Powell)

1. ACScr ??
  2. ACScr ??
  - iv. Safety (CSaf, Karen Melnik)
    1. ???
  - v. Tech. Control
    1. Chip Shand
  - vi. Announcers
    1. ??
  - vii. Aspiring Official
    1. ??
  - viii. Registrar on-site
    1. ??
- b. Nationals Officials (2 lake site: [Judges 2 Appointed, 1 Assigned],[Scorer 1 Appointed],[Drivers 1 Appointed, 1 Assigned],[Safety-Contact Chief, Jim Babcock - Lv2wski@charter.net]**
- i. Judges (2 Appointed, 1 Assigned)
    1. ??
    2. ??
    3. ??
  - ii. Scorers (1 Appointed)
    1. ??
  - iii. Drivers (1 Appointed, 1 Assigned)
    1. ??
    2. ??
  - iv. Announcer (Chief – Jim Powell)
    1. ??
  - v. Safety (contact Jim Babcock - Lv2wski@charter.net)
    1. ??

**11) AWSA East Regional Committee Reports - ## min**

- a. Regional States
  - i. CT (Matt Byrne)
  - ii. DE (Brett Brandau)
  - iii. MA (David Allen)

- iv. MD ??
  - v. ME ??
  - vi. NH (Scott Behner)
  - vii. NJ (Bill Fosbenner)
  - viii. NY (Dean and George)
  - ix. PA (Jon Bickel)
  - x. VA (Karen Melnik)
  - xi. VT (Bruce Epstien)
  - xii. WV ??
- b.** Regional Clinics (Tonya Maurer)
- c.** Regional Guidebook (?)
- i. For 2021 guidebook, we need to establish a committee to determine what we want to do with this going forward. Justin??
  - ii. What is the best format /digital?
  - iii. Other regions are each taking different approaches from printing their own, to doing e-mags, to no guidebook at all and putting the money into website design.
  - iv. **Guide Book Due Date: ???**
  - v. The Junior Development Committee is requesting juniors to send in a photo to be included in the Juniors section of the 2021 Eastern Regional Guide. Junior Photos for 2021 Regional GuidePhotos for the Juniors section of the 2021 Eastern Regional Guide should be emailed or texted to TG Powell, Junior Development Committee at tg.powell@gmail.com or 703-395-7499
- d.** Regional Jr Development (TG Powell) 5 min.
- i. [Safesport](#)
  - ii. Regionals
  - iii. Nationals
  - iv. JD Clinics
- e.** Regional Nominating (John Wilkins)
- f.** Regional Records (Chip Shand)
- g.** Regional Search/Site (John Davis)
- h.** Regional Tournament Coordinator (Bill Fosbenner) **Attachment #06**
- i.** Regional AWSA Promotion and Outreach
- i. Darlene McCormick will continue to host the site as long as funding for scoring system helps to cover the cost. Otherwise we'd be looking at expense around \$300 for hosting.

- ii. Website and Social Media updates
- iii. Outreach Committee (recommendations) I will also follow up with email blasts.
  - 1. ??
  - 2. ??
- iv. Tommy Harrington at HQ could really use a social content partner from each region if you can find someone who is willing to provide regional news and pics for AWSA's social media

## 12) AWSA National Committees

- a. Executive (Jim Powell)
  - i. See minutes [Attachment #07](#)
- b. Awards (Hutch Haines)
- c. Barefoot (Joe Malenfant)
- d. Boat Drivers (Al Harris) (5 min.) [Attachments #08, 09, 10](#)
- e. By Laws (Karen Melnik)
  - i. By Laws
    - 1. ARTICLE X SECTION # –
      - Discussion
  - ii. P&P
    - 1. ARTICLE X SECTION # –
      - Discussion
- f. IAC (Doug Robbins, Hutch Haines) [Attachment #10a](#)
- g. Judges & Scorers Qualifications (Dean Rudy)
- h. Safety (Pat Byrne)
- i. Seeding (P&P 4.1.1 Approval of Records)
  - i. Appointment for Seeding Committee
    - 1. ?? Recommendations ??
- j. Show Skiing (Pat Byrne)
- k. Skiers Qualification (Dana Hinman)
- l. Technical (Chip Shand) [Attachments #11, 12](#)
  - i. .
- m. Tow boats (Doug Robbins) 10 min.



- i. A reminder that class L events may now use towboats 3 years old
- n. Waterways (Amy Craig)

### 13) AWSA President Message [Attachment #13](#)

- a. Membership
  - i. Considering COVID AWSA had a decent year, only losing 12% of members. We had about a 25% decrease in events but the events that were held were extremely full. We were able to pull off a last-minute Nationals with close to 550 competitors. Junior events at Nationals were the same size as normal which is great considering that overall Nationals #'s were down 20%. Zero reported COVID cases at or after Nationals.
- b. Ski League Committee
- c. Action Items of Note
  - i. Create library of tips and training videos for members only to increase member value
  - ii. Bring back Competition task force

### 14) AWSA Executive Item: (Jim Powell)

- a. **AWSA Executive Item: Teams @ Regionals/Nationals – 20 min.**
  - i. 2021 Teams
    - 1. Who will run team skiing in the region (team commissioner) Becky would like to stay on.
    - 2. What teams will make up the region? (states/Areas, etc.)
    - 3. Who will captain each of those teams?
- b. **AWSA National Website development in discussion**
  - i. AWSA Exec. has budgeted money for this initiative.
  - ii. May be able to host All Regional Sites.
    - 1. What suggestions, concerns, desires would ER have.
  - iii. Fresh look that appeals to potential new members
  - iv. Opportunity to get on our mailing list
  - v. Instruction for new skiers in an easy to find location
  - vi. Better visibility for AWSA and Eastern Region

### 15) AWSA/USA Water Ski Executive Items (Doug Robbins) – 10 min

- a. .

### 16) New Business

- a. **Consider holding future Regional Meetings as Virtual**

b.

17) AWSA National Board Meeting January 30,2021 –

18) **Regional Recommendations for AWSA Meeting** (non-rule related) – 15 min

a. .

19) (GROUP PHOTO) – Email me a Selfie! I'll past them together. [easternevp@gmail.com](mailto:easternevp@gmail.com)

20) Adjourn 5:00pm