Southern California Division, USFA, Membership Meeting

July 23, 2022, 3:00 pm Via Zoom Teleconference

Present: James Beihold (Treasurer), Karen Lieu (Secretary), Richard Lee (at large), Eric Speicher (Ace and Conejo), Anna Jordon (United Fencing), Karl Jordan (Points West), Lucas Dobrzanski (KAFF), Liz Geyer (KAFF), Michael Vazquez (LAIFC), and Division Members: Kaleb Jordan, Kimberly Prieto, Sofia Prieto

The meeting was called to order at 3:05 pm.

M/S/C (unan) to use Zoom Teleconference for this membership meeting, and for everyone attending to be allowed telephonic or electronic voting. (This will waive the related So.Cal. Division bylaws for this meeting.)

Election of and Officers and Directors:

Nominations for Officers:

Chairperson - James Beihold

Vice Chairperson - Karl Jordan and Tigran Shaginian* (petitioned)

Richard Lee was nominated at March meeting but declined to run.

Treasurer - Eric Speicher

Secretary - Karen Lieu

Nominations for Directors: Tim Robinson (Presidio), Az Mikayelyan (unattached), Karen Lieu (BHFC), Phil Hareff (Conejo), Tigran Shaginian (Swords), James Beihold (Swords), Daryl Taylor (Fortune), Richard Lee (at large), Eric Speicher (ACE/Conejo), Karl Jordon (Points West), Anna Jordon (United Fencing Academy), Rudy Streitz (KAFF), Brando Messinese (LAIFC)

M/S/C (unan) to approve the slate as shown in the meeting.

M/S/C (unan) Elected Officers: James Beihold as Chairperson, Karl Jordan as Vice Chairperson, Eric Speicher as Treasurer, and Karen Lieu as Secretary, Elected Directors: remove AZ Mikayelyan and Phil Hareff due to inactivity, add Michael Vazquez (LAIFC) and Liz Geyer (KAFF) to Board of Directors.

M/S/C (unan) move the Treasurer's report to the next meeting.

James Beihold will handle tax filing and transfer Treasurer duties to Eric Speicher next month.

Issues with equipment availability – Inventory will need to be conducted and cleaned.

2023 Junior Olympic Qualifiers – will be held weekend of Dec 17th/18th weekend depending on facility availability. Need 8000 square feet, \$1000 cap for facility rental.

Centennial Tournament – To be held November 13, 2023. The Southern California Division was establish in 1922. Will need more publicity, local news involved. Fencer David Wharton is an LA Times reporter. Form a press kit and possibly hold a parafencing event.

Volunteers for the Centennial Tournament committee: James Beihold, Karl Jordan, Eric Speicher, Karen Lieu, Daryl Taylor, Liz Geyer.

Special meeting for Centennial Tournament committee to be held August 6th at 5pm via ZOOM.

Meeting Adjourned at 3:55 pm

Respectfully submitted.

Karen Lieu (Secretary)