Minutes of the October 7, 2016 meeting of the US Sailing Foundation

USSF President Dave Rosekrans called a Webex conference call meeting to order at 9 am, October 7, 2016. In attendance were Directors Tom Hubbell, Gary Jobson, Johnny Lovell, Jim Muldoon, US Sailing President Bruce Burton and Executive Director Jack Gierhart.

The position of Secretary is open after the resignation of Sarah Alger. A motion was passed to recommend Lee Parks to the US Sailing Board for the position of Secretary of the US Sailing Foundation.

Recognizing the importance of the past grants by the USSF, Dave Rosekrans proposed that the new USSF create a Grants Committee that would carry out the functions of the previous USSF, with Dave Rosekrans as Chair, Johnny Lovell, Ding Schoonmaker, Jim Muldoon, Tom Hubbell, and Lee Parks as Secretary. This committee be formally established after the new USSF is appointed by the US Sailing Board.

Georgia McDonald presented the purpose of the organization and the vision for the reorganization. A copy of the outline is attached. A motion was made, seconded and passed to adopt the new By-Laws for the USSF, as attached.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to recommend to the US Sailing Board of Directors that the previous Directors and Officers of the USSF be made Officers and Directors of the new USSF, as required by the newly adopted By-Laws.

A discussion of the need for a “Transition Board” led to the consensus that the new USSF should form an Advisory Committee to facilitate development of the new USSF. The committee may include both Directors and non-director advisors.

A discussion followed about the proposed policies previously supplied. Georgia will send the Memorandum of Understanding, the Ethics Policy and the Conflict of Interest to the current Directors. These should be completed, signed and returned before the October 18 meeting of the US Sailing Board.

Tim Rutter was proposed as a member of the Board of Directors. A motion was made, seconded and passed to recommend to the US Sailing Board of Directors to approve Tim’s acceptance onto the US Sailing Foundation Board of Directors.

In closing, President Bruce Burton and ED Jack Gierhart thanked the USSF Directors for their long and continuing service and thanked Georgia McDonald for her effort in creating the new USSF.

Dave Rosekrans and Georgia McDonald, acting Secretaries.