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1. **Call to Order (Mr. Akers)**

The President called the meeting to order at 9:00am on January 31st, 2020.

The Directors present were National Directors Sherry Butcher, Albert Berchtold, Larry Hill, Mike McGowan, Jan Meyer, Mike Mullins, and Kirk Verner. Regional Directors present were Chuck Akers, Ray Lallo, Luke Aikins, Randy Allison, Shauna Finley, Paul Gholson, Joshua Hall, Aila Hubbard, Brett Martin, Charles Crinklaw, Jack Pyland, Jim Rees, Michael Wadkins and Chris Wagner.

2. **Approval of the Minutes of Previous Meeting (Mr. Akers)**

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3. **Adoption of the Agenda**

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4. **President’s Report (Mr. Akers)**

I had the opportunity to travel on behalf of the organization since the last board meeting. I attended the USPA National Championships and the Skydiving Hall of Fame induction event. I am happy to report the nationals was very professionally run and USPA was well represented. At both events I was impressed at the number of people who expressed satisfaction with our headquarters staff and our board. Many thanks to everyone for continuing to provide excellent service our members

5. **Alternative Motions of the Full Board (Mr. Akers)**

6. **Interim Actions of the Executive Committee (Mr. Akers)**

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<td>Move to approve Shauna Finely and Ray Lallo’s travel and lodging expenses to oversee the Round Canopy Parachuting Team (RCPT) Skydive Palatka Event October 14th – 20th, 2019. Total combined expenses will not exceed $3,600.00</td>
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Motion 7: FB: Passed by Unanimous Consent (Mr. Akers)
Move to approve the Executive Director’s expenditure of $35,000 for immediate replacement of the three HVAC units at USPA Headquarters.

Motion 8: FB: Passed Yes-21 / No-1 / Abstain-0 (By Name: Director Meyer – No) (Mr. Akers)
Move to waive SIM Section 2-1. I. 4., to allow PRO rated jumpers Brad Patterson USPA 232222 and Matthew Blank USPA 219599, to conduct a wingsuit demonstration jump and deploy at 1000ft at the San Diego Wonder front Festival. The demonstration jump will be conducted on November 24, 2019. The implementation of this waiver is contingent upon FAA approval of the 7711-2.

Motion 9: FB: Passed by Unanimous Consent (Mr. Akers)
Move to accept the (electronically) attached document titled “2020 USPA 12.2.19EdReview” as the interim 2020 USPA Operating Budget until February 2, 2020

7. Treasurer’s Report (Mr. Berchtold)

USPA Reserve Fund
The USPA Reserve Fund was valued at $4,292,230 on December 31, 2019. It was valued at $3,578,731 on December 31, 2018. Additions of $48,000 were made during the first 6 months of 2019. The total increase to the reserve fund was $731,499 or 19.9% for the calendar year 2019. The increase from investment income and change in market value were $100,029 and 590,474 respectively equaling 19.11%.

US Parachute Team Trust Fund
The U.S. Parachute Team Trust Fund was valued at $1,399,339 on December 31, 2018. Contributions of $12,225 were added during the calendar year 2019. No distributions were made. The total increase of the fund was $286,849 or 20.49%. There was an increase from investment income and market value of $39,082 and 239,948 respectively or 19.79%. Our fund performance is in line with our investment policy statements.

USPA Headquarters Loan
The USPA Headquarters loan has been paid in accordance with its terms through December 31, 2019. The current balance as of January 21, 2020 is $316,237.

8. IPC Delegate Report

Steve Hubbard, Director of Competition, travelled to Moscow to attend the 2020 FAI International Skydiving Commission (formerly the International Parachuting Commission) Plenary Meeting from January 21-27, 2020. This year was an ISC Bureau election year (every two years) and most of the previously-elected board was re-elected this year, with the notable addition of USPA Southeast Regional Director Alix Hubbard being elected to the Bureau as the Recording Secretary, replacing the late Susan Dixon, who had stepped down due to medical reasons (she has since passed away, sadly.) The meeting was very productive and seemed to run
smoothly and efficiently. The rule changes made to the FAI sporting code will be added, where applicable, to the 2020 USPA Skydiver’s Competition Manual. The highlight of the meeting for the USPA is that the ISC Plenary unanimously approved Larry Bagley’s nomination for the Leonardo di Vinci Parachuting Diploma, which is an honor that is more than well deserved.

9. Executive Director’s Report (Mr. Scott)

I attended British Skydiving’s annual Skydive the Expo in Nottingham, England just last week. British Skydiving is the new name and branding of the British Parachute Association. It was a great event, attracting nearly 1,000 skydivers. I note that recently the International Parachuting Commission recently changed its name to the International Skydiving Commission and suggest that it’s time for USPA to commission a review of USPA’s name and brand.

2019 overall was a good year for USPA and U.S. skydiving. Membership grew by 1.3%, hitting a new record high of 41,271 in August. License and rating issuances were up over 2018 numbers.

U.S. skydiving lost 26 in 2019—15 in skydiving accidents and 11 in the fatal King Air crash in Hawaii. At 15, skydiving fatalities for 2019 were up by two over 2018’s 13 fatalities, setting 2019’s fatality rate at 0.47 per 100,000 jumps. Six of the 15 fatal accidents were due to low turns, evenly split between intentional and unintentional low turns.

As of the date of this meeting, 2019 financials are only complete through November, but so far, USPA has done well financially in 2019, with a current $499,267 operational excess, not counting investment revenues. We have the highest operating margin we’ve had in years, and all our reserve accounts and our net worth continue to grow.

Much was accomplished by USPA in 2019. The number of incident reports increased nearly five-fold over 2018. Progress continues with online applications and learning. USPA generated over 100 positive news pieces on skydiving. USPA supported U.S. Team members at seven FAI World Cups in six countries. We assisted seven new DZ with gaining airport access. We’re moving into paperless renewal forms and processes.

Going into 2020, we are committed to:
- More incident reports and safety trend info
- Instant online applications, but still friendly, efficient member service when needed
- More social engagement with skydivers and the public
- Promoting skydiving with widespread, favorable media coverage
- Effective and respected government relations

10. Old Business (None)

11. New Business

During the interim period between the summer meeting and this meeting the Board and Staff had some historic and exciting events. We held a special election in the Central Region to elect a new Regional Director. Many qualified candidates stepped up but in the end the members of that
region choose Charles Crinklaw as their new Regional Director. Also, the position of Director of Sport Promotion became available and National Director Shanon Searls was offered the position which she accepted. The Board and Staff again were faced with another situation to fill a vacancy on the board. As per USPA’s Governance the board exercised the right to select a new National Director at this meeting. Once again, many qualified candidates came to the meeting and addressed the full board. Though very close between all candidate’s Al King was selected to fill Shannon’s seat as National Director on this board.

12. Committee Reports

A. Competition

Chair: Kirk Verner
Members: Albert Berchtold
         Josh Hall
         Larry Hill
         Alixandra Hubbard
         Jim Rees
         Chris Wagner

Advisors: Steve Hubbard

1) 2020 USPA Nationals Schedule

Discussed the proposed schedule for the 2020 USPA National Championships. After discussion, the host requested to make the following changes:
   a. Add 1 day to the CF competition.
   b. Reschedule the Speed Skydiving event to follow vertical freefall events.
   c. Moved the 8-way FS event forward by one day.

| Motion 10: FB: Passed by Unanimous Consent (Mr. Verner) |
| Move to adopt the revised schedule presented by Skydive City for the 2020 USPA National Championships. |

2) Official Scoring System

Discussed the status and future of the official scoring systems used for USPA National Championships.

Tabled

3) Formally adopt the CP-Freestyle Event

The CP-Freestyle event was authorized as a test event at the 2019 USPA National Championships and had a significant turn out, this event was also used to select the US Parachute Team for the 2019 and 2020 FAI competitions. This committee feels as though USPA should formally adopt it as a competition event.
Motion 11: FB: Passed by Unanimous Consent (Mr. Verner)

Move to adopt the CP-Freestyle event as an official competition event.

4) Modify competitors minimum call times for CF event

This competitor feels as though the minimum call times when competing in multiple CF events aren't enough to make appropriate equipment changes while still leaving enough time to put forth their best performance as a team.

Response from Committee:

This International Skydiving Commission just took steps to SHORTEN the call times when you enter in to multiple events in the same FCE, and we feel as though the current call times should be more than sufficient for teams to make any necessary changes while leaving enough time to prepare each jump as a team. Additionally, we feel that extending those times would likely lead to more unfinished competitions.

No Action

5) Increase number of CP judges

The current required number of judges is insufficient to successfully judging the CP and CP-Freestyle events at USPA Nationals.

Response from Committee

The committee agrees that 8 judges is not enough to judge the CP events. We also find that this number does not align with the ISC's competition rules.

We would like to add the following requirements to CP judging staff:
Minimum CP Judges for CP and CP-Freestyle: Remain at 8

The host must provide and assign 4 additional persons to assist the judges during the competition. All four persons must be approved in advance by the Chief Judge, and should be either a USPA Regional CP Judge or a USPA National Judge rated in any discipline.

Motion 12: FB: Passed by Unanimous Consent (Mr. Verner)

Move to require hosts of USPA to provide 4 additional persons to assist the judges during the competition

6) Record Fees
It was brought up to the Director of Competition that it's more expensive to set a USPA National record than it is to set an FAI World or Continental record. After investigation, staff found that this is accurate and recommends modifying the record fees.

With the improvements made to the record processing system, and with the intention of fully digitizing the record submission process, along with the removal of the required record certificate for every record participant, the Committee agrees that the current fee structure can be changed to better suit the current record climate.

Current Fees
State Records
Small (<5) $35.00 + $10/per person
Large (5+) $50.00 + $10/per person

National Records
Individual: $50.00
Team: $100.00 + $10/per person

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7) Competition Records in non-Open Class

Currently, it is possible to set competition records in non-Open class events, despite the difference in competition rules, draw complexities and the other differences between the Open and non-Open classes. Competition Records should be based on the same competition rules, therefore, they should only be allowed to be set in the Open class, where applicable. The only exception to this is the Wingsuit Performance event, since it is the only event where there is no difference between the classes other than one is able to qualify for the US Parachute Team and the other is not.

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8) Permit State Night Records
We feel as though the safety considerations that initially stopped state-level night records are resolved by the inherent requirements of night jumps and feel as though it's time to remove that restriction to state-level records.

**Motion 15:** FB: Passed by Unanimous Consent (Mr. Verner)

Move to permit the Director of Competition to ratify state-level Night records.

9) Modify Accuracy Landing USPT Qualification Rule

Currently Accuracy Landing is the only discipline where a true alternate qualifies for the US Parachute Team. We feel as though the rule should be modified to match all other disciplines.

Current wording:
Men’s team, consisting of up to five members plus an alternate, will be formed from the highest placing male accuracy competitors.
Female team, consisting of up to five members plus an alternate, will be formed from the highest placing female accuracy competitors.

Proposed wording:
Men’s team, consisting of up to five members, will be formed from the highest placing male accuracy competitors.
Female team, consisting of up to five members, will be formed from the highest placing female accuracy competitors.

**Motion 16:** FB: Passed by Unanimous Consent (Mr. Verner)

Move to modify SCM Chapter 4, 3.2.1.1 and 3.2.1.2 as follows:

Current wording:
Men’s team, consisting of up to five members plus an alternate, will be formed from the highest placing male accuracy competitors.
Female team, consisting of up to five members plus an alternate, will be formed from the highest placing female accuracy competitors.

Proposed wording:
Men’s team, consisting of up to five members, will be formed from the highest placing male accuracy competitors.
Female team, consisting of up to five members, will be formed from the highest placing female accuracy competitors.

10) Duplicated information in Ch. 7-9

Currently, there is a lot of cross-over between Chapter 7 (Collegiate) and Chapter 9 (Formation Skydiving). We feel as though we can simplify Chapter 7 by referring to Chapter 9 whenever possible, thereby eliminating the need to update two identical locations.
11) Add Block 1 and Block 14 to Collegiate Dive Pool

Competitors have requested additions to the collegiate 4-way dive pool.

Motion 18: FB: Passed by Unanimous Consent (Mr. Verner)
Move to add Block 1 (Molar-Molar) and Block 14 (Bipole-Bipole) to the Collegiate 4-way dive pool

12) Lower exit altitude for Novice 2-way

This committee feels as though 13,000 feet is excessive for the Novice 2-way competition at Collegiates.

Motion 19: FB: Passed by Unanimous Consent (Mr. Verner)
Move to lower the Novice 2-way FS event exit altitude from 13,000 ft AGL to 11,500 AGL.

13) Belly/Back Orientation Definitions

In review, we found that there is no definition for "belly flying" and "back flying", despite being required by the MFS dive pool.
ISC's definition:

“Bellyflying” or “Belly to Earth” orientation requires that the competitor’s torso is in a horizontal (prone) position, with the front of the torso toward the earth. “Backflying” orientation requires that the competitor’s torso is in a horizontal (prone) position, with the back of the torso toward the earth.

Motion 20: FB: Passed by Unanimous Consent (Mr. Verner)
Move to adopt the ISC’s definition of belly and back flying

14) Increase 6-way Speed Break-off Altitude

This committee found that the mandatory break-off altitude of the 6-way Speed event at Collegiate Nationals had not been increased since the increase of the BSR deployment altitudes.

Motion 21: FB: Passed by Unanimous Consent (Mr. Verner)
Move to increase the mandatory break-off altitude in the 6-way Speed event at Collegiate Nationals from 4,000 ft to 5,000 ft.
15) Allocate USPT Funds for 2nd Place Teams

Previously, up to $100,000 was allocated to provide registration and accommodation for competitors at the 2018 World Championships. If allowed within the Net Income of the TTF, as referenced in 6.5.5, this motion is to provide all competitors the opportunity to have their registration fees (which include accommodation) for the 2020 Mondial covered.

There is an argument to be made that these second-place teams won medals in their various disciplines, while many competitors in individual disciplines did not medal. Due to the amount of individual competitors, that means that 20 or more non-podium competitors (AL, CP, CP-F, SP, WS-P) are gaining the financial support of the Team Trust Fund while 6 2nd place teams (CF 2, CF 4, CF Rot, FF, FR, WS-A), those who had actually won a medal at the national competition, are not afforded the funds.

No Action

16) USPT Leadership Funding

Because this year's Mondial is being held in an extreme location (Siberia, Russia), I feel as though we need to compensate the USPT leadership (Head of Delegation and Team Managers) above the allocated $750 USD that they currently receive if we have any hope of filling the positions, and with the problems I faced obtaining visas for the delegation that attended the ISC Plenary meeting in Moscow, I am going to need a lot of help when trying to assist the 100+ competitors who will be attending the Mondial.

I propose an additional $1000 USD per position, for a maximum of $8000 USD be made available to the following positions:

- 2020 USPT Head of Delegation
- 2020 USPT AE Team Manager
- 2020 USPT AL Team Manager
- 2020 USPT CF Team Manager
- 2020 USPT CP (and CP-F) Team Manager
- 2020 USPT FS Team Manager
- 2020 USPT SP Team Manager
- 2020 USPT WS Team Manager

This money is not simply given to these persons. They will need to provide an expense report, including a receipt that shows an out-of-pocket expense of up to $1000 to the Director of Competition. If the expense exceeds the $1000, that person will receive the maximum $1000. If the expense is less than $1000, the person will receive whatever that lower amount is.

The existing $750 USD that is already allocated to the above-mentioned positions will still be allocated and used to pay for the registration, as it has been used in years past.
This is ONLY for the 2020 US Parachute Team leadership attending the Mondial event.

Motion 22:  FB: Passed Yes-19 / No-0 / Abstain-2 (Mr. Verner)

Move to allocate up to an additional $1000 USD for each of the 2020 USPT leadership positions, for a total of up to $8000 USD, based on out-of-pocket expenses related to the travel to and from the 2020 Mondial in Siberia, Russia

17) Judge Examiners

Motion 23:  FB: Passed by Unanimous Consent (Mr. Verner)

Move to make the following changes to the existing Judge Examiners:

Remove:
Richard Bennett (AL, CP, WS)

Add:
Stephan Kramer - Speed Skydiving
Korissa Bomba - Canopy Piloting
Jami Pillasch - Artistic Events

18) Collegiate VFS Dive Pool & Camera

Mr. Honigbaum presented a position in support of significant changes to the Collegiate Video Pool rules, as well as other changes to the VFS dive pool.

After discussion, this committee feels as though we'd like to see the results of the other changes already made to the collegiate competition events before making more changes for the future.

No Action

19) USPT Uniforms

The committee discussed team uniforms for the upcoming mondial in Tanay. Proposals were heard from manufacturers who were interested in covering costs and supporting our US team uniforms.

Staff will pursue new a new uniform design and vendor. Funding for team uniforms has been included in the competition operating budget for 2020. Continued pursuit to defer uniform costs through sponsor negotiations will done into the coming months and update the board at the summer meeting.

Tabled

20) 2021 USPA Collegiate National Championships
The committee has selected Skydive Lake Elsinore to host the 2021 USPA Collegiate National Championships.

B. Executive Committee
   President: Chuck Akers
   Vice-President: Sherry Butcher
   Secretary: Ray Lallo
   Treasurer: Albert Berchtold
   Member-at-Large: Luke Aikins
   Chairman of the Board: Randy Allison

1) Executive Director Succession

Discussed the already-agreed plan for Executive Director succession (ED Succession) to reaffirm the plan with all committee members. Any other board members sitting in will also be reminded of the plan and timeline.

2) Annual Review for ED

Performed an annual review for the Executive Director. The president briefed the executive committee.

3) Executive Director Annual Review

Motion 24: FB: Passed by Unanimous Consent (Mr. Akers)
Move to award a 5% (salary as of 12/31/2019) performance bonus to the Executive Director for 2019.

C. Finance and Budget
   Chair: Albert Berchtold
   Members: Sherry Butcher
            Shauna Finley
            Jack Pyland

1) 2019 Financial Report

The committee received & reviewed the 2019 November ending YTD financial reports. All inquiries were answered by the Executive Director.

No Action

2) 2019 Investment Report
The 2019 Investment activities were presented in the Treasurers’ Report. The committee discussed our investment results for 2019 as well as our investment performances over the past few years.

No Action

3) 2020 USPA Budget/Draft

The 2019 Draft USPA Budget was presented by Mr. Scott. The budget was reviewed, discussed, and accepted by the committee.

**Motion 25:** FB: Passed by Unanimous Consent (Mr. Berchtold)

Move to accept the (electronically) attached document titled “USPA 2020 Budget Draft” as the 2020 USPA Operating Budget.

4) 2018 Audit Report

Narrative (optional): The Committee received and reviewed the 2018 audit report from our independent auditors.

**Motion 26:** FB: Passed by Unanimous Consent (Mr. Berchtold)

Move to accept the (electronically) attached document prepared by Rogers & Co., LLC and titled Consolidated Financial Statements and Independent Auditors’ Report for the Year Ending December 31, 2018 for the United States Parachute Association, Inc. & Affiliates” as the audited financial status for the USPA for the year ending December 31, 2018

D. Governance

**Chair:** Ray Lallo

**Members:** Paul Gholson
Alixandra Hubbard
Mike Mullins

**Advisors:** Jan Meyer

1) Typos 1-6

Typo corrections to Section 1-6, Governance Manual

Committee/Staff Workflow

2) Statute of Limitations external authorities

Discuss 1-6 statute of limitations in regard to actions where an ongoing investigation by an authority other than USPA is in motion.
Move to add the following as 1-6.6 C 4: In the event of an ongoing investigation by an authority other than USPA, time limitations for instituting a disciplinary action by USPA are suspended until the investigation by the outside authority is complete.

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3) RD or ND Vacancy

Add language and process for selection or special election guidelines/rules of a regional director or national director position vacancy.

Committee/Staff Workflow

4) S&TA manual

Add language to the S&TA manual that an S&TA is responsible to report a change in residence that affects their S&TA appointment within thirty days.

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5) Governance Manual Revision Update

Committee/Staff Workflow

E. Group Membership

| Chair: Mike Mullins |
| Members: Paul Gholson, Brett Martin, Charles Crinklaw, Jack Pyland |
| Advisors: Randy Ottinger |

1) The committee received a briefing from Michael Wadkins and Ron Bell on their fact-finding trip to Egypt and Israel where they discussed those countries parachute associations desire to have a more formal relationship with USPA by essentially adopting all USPA procedures.
There are many complex issues to be resolved and a subcommittee was formed to study this proposal and make recommendations.

2) The committee also received briefings from Ms. Searls and Mr. Florio on the DZ directory and possible enhancements to the GM program.

3) Ron Bell briefed the committee on the desire of the Brazilian parachute association to have reciprocal disciplinary procedures with USPA and as a result the following motion is proposed

Motion 29: FB: Passed by Unanimous Consent (Mr. Mullins)

Move to amend USPA Governance By-Laws Article 1 Section 6 by adding as C: Under a reciprocal agreement with the CBPq, USPA respects and honors disciplinary actions of the Board of Directors of the CBPq and accepts the due process procedures of the CBPq as satisfying those guaranteed in subparagraph A above.

F. Membership Services

Chair: Chris Wagner
Members: Sherry Butcher
Shauna Finley
Josh Hall
Mike McGowan
Jan Meyer

Advisors: Stephanie Seidel
Jen Sharp

1) Insurance Recap

Ms. Seidel presented the report.

2) USPA Store

Mr. Florio briefed recent history of the store, emphasis on sales income in relation to man hour costs across the HQ staff, issues of state tax collection, and discussions with various vendors leading to current store status. Store is maintaining sales of SIM/IRM, and the USPA calendar (latter at a loss). A-License stamp is now available for DZ's through Group Membership. Freefall badges & wings are through Protech.

3) "Jump Pilot" membership

Mr. Bell and Mr. Scott discussed publishing in the “USPA Professional” email that jump pilots can get free (limited) membership to receive the “USPA Professional” emailing. Will also look into USPA monitoring and posting on FaceBook “Jump Pilot” group and “diverdriver.com”.
4) Online Training & Rating Renewals

Ms. Sharp discussed road to the online training & rating renewal system (OTRRS), dealing with "cultural" attitudes and "just out of date" issues. Discussed process of membership & rating renewals, how system tracks validated & open requirements, and tracking tandem medical certificates. Online license applications: B-D is under final testing and will be similar to OTRRS function. Waiting for final validation from Protech before implementing. There are no plans for IRM app. The SIM app still under development (for Android & Apple).

5) Advisory Group for Data Sharing

Ms. Sharp discussed two outside users utilizing data on how Merit & Burble (through Merit) utilize USPA member data, best source for most current member data is through the USPA “Credential Verification” function.

G. Regional Directors

Chair: Jack Pyland
Members: All Present Regional Directors (RD)

6) Online Rating Renewals

Reviewed online rating renewal process and requirements

Ed Scott presented a short review with help from Jen Sharp about the On Line Rating Renewal system. Jen Sharp said that using the system reduces the work load at headquarters and processed the member’s renewal much faster. The new system now allows for more flexibility to produce reports about membership. It was discussed about several possibility of reports the RD's might want. The chair has asked the RD's to Email report ideas to the Chair so a list of the ideas can be assembled and given to headquarters to produce the requested reports.

7) Incident Reports

Reviewed of incident reporting program and trends

Ron Bell reviewed with the RD's a continual need for incident reports to be sent in. Mr. Bell shared several examples of the reports he has received with examples of good and bad reports. Me Bell shared with the RD's the need to show support for the Incident Reporting System.

8) Technologies

Discussed new technologies were being used by new jumpers possibly creating a distraction during jumps, RDs were asked to keep a look out if there is a need for safety attention to the use technologies.
H. Safety and Training

Chair: Michael Wadkins
Members: Luke Aikins
         Sherry Butcher
         Shauna Finley
         Ray Lallo
         Mike Mullins
         Jack Pyland
Advisors: Ron Bell
          Paul Gholson

1) Considered removing “should” and adding different language (MUST, WILL, etc.) to SIM for BSRs.

   No Action

2) Discussed adding clarification terminology to the AFF wind tunnel training SIM Section 2-1.G.4.b.

   Committee/Staff Workflow

3) Add verbiage in SIM Section 2-1 for AFF Tunnel crossover training for other disciplines

   Motion 30: FB: Passed by Unanimous Consent (Mr. Wadkins)
   Move to insert SIM section 2-1 G.5.e "Students who have successfully demonstrated the freefall and canopy skills in ISP Categories A and B in SL, IAD and tandem programs may jump with one AFF instructor after demonstrating the AFF wind tunnel requirements"

4) Add verbiage to SIM Section 2-1.G.6.b to remedy problems being experienced in the field with solo student group freefall jumps with coaches and D license holders.

   Motion 31: FB: Passed by Unanimous Consent (Mr. Wadkins)
   Move to change SIM section 2-1 G.6.b. to read "The maximum group size allowed for any group skydive is four if that group includes any solo students cleared for self-supervision. The solo student must have successfully demonstrated the skills of ISP Category G. There must be at least one instructor, coach or D-license holder (that has been approved by an S&TA) for each student involved"

5) Amend language to license requirements in SIM Section 3-1.B.5, to clarify and define what military training jumps and ground training academics are considered acceptable to obtain a USPA A license.
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<td>Move to amend SIM Section 3-1.B.5 to read &quot;License qualifications made during military training jumps must have completed all of the dive flows and ground training requirements outlined in the USPA ISP, must be properly recorded on the USPA A license progression card or higher license application for that USPA license and verified by the appropriate USPA official&quot;</td>
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6) Defined skill qualifications in SIM Section 3-1.C for logbooks entries for IE’s, Judges, or higher ratings in the USPA – what items need to be logged and who can sign for it:

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<td>Move to insert SIM Section 3-1.C.3.a &quot;Special requirements and additional qualifying items needed for Coach, Instructor and Instructor Examiner ratings such as FJC’s, air evaluations, ground evaluations, and teaching requirements must be logged, verified and signed by a S&amp;TA, or member of the USPA Board of Directors, or an Instructor Examiner.&quot;</td>
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7) Removed the night jump requirements for the D license and add it only as a PRO rating and tandem instructor requirement.

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<td>2. landed within seven feet of the target center on 50 jumps</td>
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<td>3. participated in a canopy formation of a 3 stack or larger.</td>
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<td>4. completed an intentional water jump</td>
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<td>5. successful completion of one hundred formation skydives, at least twenty-five of which must involve at least eight participants. Effective May 1st, 2020</td>
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8) Add verification of two-night jumps to PRO rating.

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<td>Move to add SIM Section 7-2.1.c. made two-night jumps (recommended that the first one be a solo and one in a group) with a freefall of at least 20 seconds: (1) with verification of prior night jump training from a USPA Instructor holding a USPA D license, who has also successfully completed two night jumps (does not have to be within twelve months of PRO rating application) Effective May 1st, 2020</td>
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9) Add the requirement in SIM Section 6-4 to make a daylight jump, that day, before conducting qualifying night jumps.

**Motion 36:** FB: Passed by Unanimous Consent (Mr. Wadkins)

Move to insert SIM section 6-4 E.1.f "Each jumper performing a night jump who is not familiar with the drop zone should make at least one jump during daylight hours on the same day, to become familiar with the drop zone and surrounding areas during daylight conditions"

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10) Add to the IRM that all IE’s must be able to read, write and speak English

**Motion 37:** FB: Passed by Unanimous Consent (Mr. Wadkins)

Move to amend IRM IE-1.C.1 by removing "understand" and inserting "speak"

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11) Defined language on how new IE’s will select and use evaluators. They have to conduct five courses within their specific minimum candidate to IE ratio. If unable they have to use seasoned evaluators for their courses. The online course manager (OCM) will help control this by providing a list to new IE’s that can be viewed to select evaluators.

**Motion 38:** FB: Passed by Unanimous Consent (Mr. Wadkins)

Move to insert IRM section 1-3.C.1. “Examiners who have taught five or fewer method-specific rating courses must use Evaluators who have evaluated in more than five rating courses and all courses must be of the same method”

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12) Defined Coach Jump in regard to rating renewals

Tabled

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13) Amend IRM section C-11.G.1 to read "Each candidate must obtain a score of 75% in the following ground training sessions.", and change G.1.b. to read "Category G, Dive Plan 1 and 2 ground training", and move to allow the Director of Safety and Training to make the appropriate changes in the IRM and Proficiency Card to reflect the new requirements and criteria of the Coach course.

**Motion 39:** FB: Passed by Unanimous Consent (Mr. Wadkins)

Move to amend IRM section C-11.G.1 to read "Each candidate must obtain a score of 75% in the following ground training sessions.", and change G.1.b. to read "Category G, Dive Plan 1 and 2 ground training", and move to allow the Director of Safety and Training to make the appropriate changes in the IRM and Proficiency Card to reflect the new requirements and criteria of the Coach course.
14) Add the IE requirement to observe category G-1 and G-2 ground preparations as part of the ground requirements to become a Coach IE

**Motion 40:** FB: Passed by Unanimous Consent (Mr. Wadkins)
Move to add IRM section C-1.D.e.(1) the ground evaluations for this requirement must be ground training on Category G, Dive Plan 1 or 2 as outlined in section C-6

15) Add FJC to expired AFF rating renewal requirements

Committee/Staff Workflow

16) Consider adding verbiage of emergency aircraft review to AFF in FJC portion of the AFF rating course in IRM section A-2.2-3.C

Committee/Staff Workflow

17) Change when AFF air evaluations start – Recommend that the air evaluations start with the command to take your position in the door. This would correlate and mirror the air evaluations that are being used in the field.

**Motion 41:** FB: Passed by Unanimous Consent (Mr. Wadkins)
Move to amend IRM section A-6 Air Evaluation 4. to read "Evaluation begins when the evaluator is directed to begin their setup at the door or step and ends—"

18) Add FJC to TI renewal requirements. Cat A and B ground training to IRM section T-1 F.1.c and amend IRM section T-1 I.2.b.(4), Keeping a USPA Tandem instructor rating current

**Motion 42:** FB: Passed by Unanimous Consent (Mr. Wadkins)
Move to insert IRM section T-1 F.1.c "conduct training or complete review training for solo student transition first jump course and ISP ground training for tandem progression Categories A and B" and amend IRM section T-1 I.2.b.(4) by inserting "for solo student transition first jump course and ISP ground training for tandem progression" after "review training" and removing "tandem jumping"

19) Add foreign tandem manufactures not currently recognized by USPA

**Motion 43:** FB: Passed by Unanimous Consent (Mr. Wadkins)
Move to insert IRM T-1.A.6.c.(8) "Paraavis (PA)"
20) Add verbiage to the BSR about military medical terminology regarding active duty verse, not on active duty.

**Motion 44:** FB: Passed by Unanimous Consent (Mr. Wadkins)

Move to change IRM T-1 A.4.f.(3) to read "Currently acceptable medical certificates include the FAA Class 3 Medical Certificate, Military flight, jump or diver physicals that are required by their position or duty status by their military command authority, or, for foreign jumpers, the civil aviation medical accepted in the country where they will be exercising their tandem rating privileges"

21) Add language to the IRM for requirements to pass the tandem course. The candidate will be required to conduct both Category A and Category B ground preparations to successfully pass the course.

**Motion 45:** FB: Passed by Unanimous Consent (Mr. Wadkins)

Move to insert IRM section T-1.H.2.b.(4).(i) "The candidate must teach ISP ground training for Category A and B twice each during the practice tandem phase to include full debrief of the ride to altitude, jump and landing" and IRM T-6.C.9 "ISP ground training for Category A and B to including debrief of the jump"

22) Discussed “landing” in SIM glossary - Need definition that fits all uses. The SCM and CP define landing. The committee will discuss this later for consistency and add to the glossary that fits all applications.

Example definition:

Landing: A parachute landing begins at the first point of contact of a parachutist with a surface and ends when cessation of motion on the surface can be accomplished.

**No Action**

Change Section 7-2. Who can administer the PRO rating exam.

**Motion 46:** FB: Passed by Unanimous Consent (Mr. Wadkins)

Move to change SIM 7-1.B.1 as follows:

e. The PRO Rating exam is administered by an S&TA, IE, USPA Judge or Board member and the examining official:
   (1) gives the applicant an answer sheet and the questions to the exam
   (i) No references or other assistance are permitted during the exam
   (ii) After the test, the examining official collects the materials and grades the exam.
   (iii) A score of 75% is required to pass
   (2) The score is recorded on the license application and in the applicant’s logbook.
   (i) An applicant not passing the paper exam will be eligible to retake this exam after seven days
(ii) Applicants who have not passed the USPA online testing program may retest using the same method immediately for a total of three attempts per day.

23) Add IRM IE-1 G.1.b.(1) Teaching the academic portion of any Instructor Rating Course meets the annual FJC requirement for that instructor rating.

Motion 47: FB: Passed by Unanimous Consent (Mr. Wadkins)
Move to add IRM IE-1 G.1.b.(1) Teaching the academic portion of any Instructor Rating Course meets the annual FJC requirement for that instructor rating.

24) Jen Sharp discussed digital logbooks that can be approved for verification of activity or experience. She further discussed with everything going more online and more digital, many jumpers are using digital logbook apps, but a lot of examiners or signatories are hesitant to use these for verifying activity or experience. She requested the board allow USPA staff to compile and publish a guideline, that is a list of apps and methods that are "approved" for verifying. This could be maintained online perhaps on this page: https://uspa.org/resources

“I'm envisioning a specific list of actual working apps that staff can review and make sure they fit the SIM requirements. The list would not necessarily be comprehensive, but it's a starting point so examiners and signatories can start gaining confidence in digital logging. The developers of these apps should be able to promote that they are on an approved list. It should be maintained outside of the SIM, and for informational purposes only”

The following motion resulted from this discussion:

Motion 48: FB: Passed by Unanimous Consent (Mr. Wadkins)
Move to direct staff to assemble a list of digital logbooks that comply with 3-1 requirements.

25) Frank Casares discussed demonstration jumps into stadiums.

No Action

26) Discussed Compliance Group guidance reference the difference of a Letter of notification of caution and warning vs letter of censure. Letter will address non-compliance actions that effect the members or the association.

Tabled

27) Discussed a Handy Cam (HC) Endorsement for tandem rating? Should there be defined training in the IRM

No Action
28) Approve a “U.S. Parachute Association Instructor Examiner” logo and allow all USPA examiners that are current with their rating to use this logo in conjunction with their USPA rating courses

Motion 49: FB: Passed by Unanimous Consent (Mr. Wadkins)

Move to approve a “U.S. Parachute Association Instructor Examiner” logo and allow all USPA examiners that are current with their rating to use this logo in conjunction with their USPA rating courses

29) Discussed a two-tiered tandem instructor rating and defined when the "3-years of experience" starts for the tandem prerequisite

Tabled

30) Regional Director Ray Lalio gave a report from the Round Canopy Parachute Team (RCPT) event he attended as a representative of the Safety & Training Committee

31) Changed the IRM and SIM to a one-year print cycle. Considered eliminating the IRM and making new courseware where the IE and candidate books are separate for each discipline. (Item was discussed 3 years ago - draft courseware has been handed out to the IEs in the field)

Motion 50: FB: Passed by Unanimous Consent (Mr. Wadkins)

Move to change the IRM and SIM to a one-year print cycle

32) Discussed having two types of instructional ratings. A ground rating (teaching rating) and an air rating (skill rating). This would only apply to Coach, SL, IAD, and AFF.

Tabled

33) Discussed the minimum time between consumption of alcohol and skydiving or attempting to skydive.

Motion 51: FB: Passed Yes-13 / No-7 / Abstain-1 (By Name: Director Martin – No) (Mr. Wadkins)

Move to add SIM Section 2-1.E.2. No person may make a parachute jump, or attempt to make a jump, within 8 hours after the consumption of any alcoholic beverage

34) Daniel Hilferty USPA #306198 - Night Jump Requirement for D License
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35) Kathleen Lynch USPA #200430 - Night Jump Requirement for D License

36) Dusty Hanks USPA #107733 on behalf of Cole Hanks (12) - Age requirement

37) Rob Range USPA #191171 - Manned ground-to-air communications

38) Eric Reid USPA #223222 - Medical waiver

Eastern Region Director Jim Rees brought this waiver forward. An FAA Airmen Medical Examiner was present and laid out a path for Mr. Reid to possibly have his medical reissued. The process would cost upwards of $10,000.00. Mr. Reid indicated he may not have the funds to pursue that path. In an historic and very gracious gesture, National Director Mike Mullins offered an interest free loan to Mr. Reid to complete the process. It is the committee’s hope’s that Mr. Reid will accept Director Mullin’s gesture of good will.

No Action

39) Sydney Fuentes USPA #340352 - Age requirement

Move to waive SIM Section 2-1.D.1 to allow Sydney Fuentes (17 years old), USPA #340352, who already received her A-license (A-93963) jumping outside of the United States to skydive inside
the United States, and its territories

40) Jeffery Bramstedt #115340 on behalf of his Samuel Jeffery Bramstedt (DOB 2/10/04, age 15) - Age requirement for his 16th birthday. His brother was approved summer of 2017.

**Motion 57:** FB: Passed Yes-13 / No-6 / Abstain-2 (Mr. Wadkins)
Move to waive SIM Section 2-1.D.1 to allow Samuel Jeffery Bramstedt (age 15), USPA #347000, to skydive beginning on February 10, 2020, and obtain his USPA licenses

41) Brian Reeve, USPA #279008, Uncle of Jason Danile Manley (16 years old), USPA #347013- Age Waiver

**Motion 58:** FB: Passed Yes-12 / No-7 / Abstain-3 (By Name: Director Hill – No) (Mr. Wadkins)
Move to waive SIM Section 2-1.D.1 to allow Jason Danile Manley (age 16), USPA #347013, to skydive and obtain his USPA licenses, contingent on approval from the manufacturer of the gear to be used

42) World War II Airborne Demonstration Team - Round Canopy Team

No Action

43) Red Bull demo team tandem

**Motion 59:** FB: Passed Yes-21 / No-0 / Abstain-1 (Mr. Wadkins)
Move to waive BSR: 2-1.L.3 to allow Luke Aikins USPA #74853, Andy Farrington USPA #112308, or Sean Maccormac USPA # 113484, to make a tandem jump into Las Vegas Top Golf on April 25, 2020, with DJ Teisto.”

13. **Adjournment**

**Motion 60:** FB: Passed by Unanimous Consent (Mr. Akers)
The President adjourned the meeting at 5:00 pm on February 2nd, 2020

Ray Lallo
USPA Secretary
Mountain Region Director
Ratings Issued
10-Year Period

Group Membership
10-Year Period

2019 Fatalities

King Air Crash
Joshua Drablos
Nikolas Glenov
Daniel Herndon
Larry Lemaster
James Lisenbee
Mike Martin
Jerome Renck
Jordan Tehero
Ashley Weikel
Bryan Weikel
Casey Williamson
Skydiving Fatalities

Brock Barto
Amie Begg
Dayton Bryant
Jose C. Suarez Caseres
Spencer Connolley
Richard Cordaro
John J. Cullen
Robert Davies
Timothy DeTine
Gerald Fischer
Justin Goff
Paul Haaf
Christopher Swales
Maria Robledo Vallejo
Paul Van Vuuren

2019 Fatalities

- 1 Collision-Aircraft
- 3 Low Turn-Unintentional
- 2 Incorrect Emergency Procedures
- 2 Low Cutaway-Reserve Deployment
- 3 Low Turn-Intentional
- 3 Equipment Problem
- 1 Landing Problem

Total 15

Skydiving Fatalities
20-Year Period w/5-Year Averages

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Safety & Training
2019
• Rejuvenated incident reporting: 29 vs. 163
• Online rating renewals / online course manager
• Online license and rating testing
• Created open, interactive feedback loops in standardization meetings, Examiner and S&TA Facebook pages

2020 Goals
• Maintaining rating proficiency cards online in the OCM
• Providing pre-course training / education materials / videos

Sport Promotion
2019
• Promoted Nationals, Medalists, and US Team members
• Over 100 PRs resulting in 100 news articles
• Promoted and grew Sisters in Skydiving program
• Promoted centennial of freefall
• Successful and profitable 2019 DZO Conference

2020 Goals
• Finalize and implement social media strategy
• Continue to ignite positive media coverage
• Push for ways to convert tandems to members
• Cross-promote with wind tunnels
• Promote Project 19 and women in skydiving

Competition
2019
• Supported 1 Mondial Nationals at S/D Paraclete
• Supported US Teams at 7 FAI World Cups in 6 countries
• Simplified judge currency system
• Simplified record processing

2020 Goals
• Fully digitize the record submission process
• Fully digitize the annual judge activity report
Communications
2019
  • Increased social media posts
  • Accommodated the loss of a graphic designer for a couple months and trained a new hire
  • Balanced Parachutist due to decreasing advertising interest
  • Helped S&T create successful Don’t Delay Cut Away campaign

2020 Goals
  • Redesign Parachutist Online and rebrand as Parachutist.com
  • Redesign USPA.org to match the new Parachutist.com
  • Establish consistent revenue-generating online advertising accounts

Government Relations
2019
  • Of 19 new DZs, 7 required USPA help
  • Hawaii King Air crash
    • Created fact sheet of improved jump plane accident record
    • Assisted DZs with increased FAA surveillance
    • Initiated jump pilot outreach
  • Continued assisting members with access

2020 Goals
  • Preparing for potential jump plane legislation
  • Provide more content for jump pilot education
  • Continue assisting members with access

Membership Services
2019
  • Highest membership ever: 41,270
  • Created paperless Foreign Affiliate renewal
  • Worked with IT to comply with Federal OFAC

2020 Goals
  • Change how we serve members
  • More staff training in customer service and tech requirements
  • Convert GM renewal to paperless
  • Digitize licenses, STCs and waivers from notebook binders and Microfiche files

Information Technology
2019
  • Built OFAC and SDN interface, saving $40,000 / year
  • Built shadow server and own API
  • Assisting with PCI compliance
  • Built and conducted electronic special election

2020 Goals
  • Preparing for upgrade to MS servers
  • Complete SIM and SCM apps
  • Improve features for skydiving records, GMs and awards
USPA into 2020 ...

- More incident reports and safety trend info
- Instant online applications, but still friendly, efficient member service when needed
- More social engagement with skydivers and the public
- Promoting skydiving with widespread, favorable media coverage
- Effective and respected gov’t relations
Appendix B – Round Canopy Parachute Team

Move that:

Effective immediately, USPA members who are members of a civilian parachute group listed with the FAA’s National Aviation Events Program may jump with that group using the following equipment and altitude:

Minimum altitude 1500’ AGL
Static line deployed
Round main
Chest mounted reserve
RSL not required
AAD not required
Altimeter not required

USPA members who are members of such groups may act as an instructor or jumpmaster, if so qualified by their group, using the above altitude and equipment, for those members of the group who have made a jump with that group, using the above altitude and equipment, prior to 13 October 2019, and may act as an instructor or jumpmaster for any member of the group who is a graduate of a military jump school as verified by DD214 or other military records.

These allowances extend to jumps at USPA Group Member DZs by parachute groups listed with the FAA’s National Aviation Events provided the following additional requirements are met:

1. Such groups will keep a record of all jumps made, by individual name, date, and location, of all jumps that are subject to this USPA motion and will make such information, along with each individuals military jump school verification, available to the Group Member DZ and USPA upon request.

2. Such groups will maintain separation, either by time or space, from the hosting Group Member DZ in the areas of administrative duties, training, aircraft, landing, and donning and maintenance of equipment.

3. Such groups must comply with all FAA regulations, including all FAA regulations regarding parachute equipment.
4. Such groups will coordinate with the host DZ to ensure that the groups round canopies and any square canopies are never in the air over the DZ at the same time.

5. Such groups must recognize that regardless of this waiver, any host DZ may withhold permission for DZ use for any reason.

6. Regardless of any allowances or provisions of this motion, such groups will not allow any first jump student under their control or supervision to jump at a GM DZ unless such jump is made in compliance with all provisions of the USPA BSRs.

7. Upon request, such groups will provide a copy of this motion to any host DZ.

8. Such groups recognize that USPA insurance is not in effect for any jumps made under such conditions with the procedures, equipment, and altitudes listed, and only jumps made in full compliance with the USPA BSRs are covered by USPA insurance.

This motion will remain in effect until rescinded by USPA, and may be rescinded by USPA for any reason at any time.