

2020 Annual Meeting

As announced in the June 12th correspondence, due to COVID-19 and restrictions set forth by the State and local authorities, the 2020 Annual meeting, contest director's meeting and board meeting will be held via Zoom.

The meeting is scheduled for Saturday, August 1, 2020. The Zoom link is below as well as a couple of links for Zoom protocols. It is desired that you use video and ensure your name is showing. Understanding the variety and potential limitations of possible login options, roll call will be done at the beginning of each meeting to ensure we are aware of who is attending the meeting. The roll call will be announced to all attendees. Any attendees joining will be placed in the waiting room until identification confirmation has occurred, and then they will be admitted to the meeting.

To ensure everyone has the opportunity speak – and to limit speaking over each other - we ask that you learn how to use the “thumbs up” to identify that you would like to speak. The Board Officers will ensure that everyone has an opportunity to unmute and be heard. The chat feature can also be used, and the Board Officers will monitor to ensure everyone has had an opportunity to speak. This structured process will allow participants to be a part of the conversation and limit the amount of inadvertent talking over each other.

Nominations for all Board positions was opened June 12th and will remain open until the start of the General Assembly meeting or around 10 am. There will be an opportunity to present any last-minute nominations during the Zoom call before closing nominations. In that this is unique and unprecedented time, we are working closely with USTA to ensure that the processes we use, and any electronic voting process is validated. We are still working through the details and as we finalize the process with USTA we will provide more information.

If you would like to run for a position of the Board or if you would like to nominate someone for a position, please email your nominations to the four Board Officers (to make sure nothing is missed).

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californiabatouncil@gmail.com - Tina

kaleocrawford@me.com - Kaleo

JohnsonCatreena@gmail.com - Catreena

In order to vote, a USTA Professional membership is required as well as a CBC Membership. If you voted in the last general assembly meeting in September 2019 – you are eligible to vote in the August 2020 meeting.

If you would like to vote, you must pay your 2019-2020 membership at least a week before the meeting to ensure that USTA registers and acknowledges your payment. After July 14th, USTA membership will be available by calling USTA member services. CBC membership is \$15 for a regular membership and can be paid via PayPal, this payment also has to be received a week before the meeting.

On 8/1/2020, the day will be broken down into three meetings:

9am – Competition Directors Meeting

- This meeting is open to anyone,
- The focus will be on the setting of the competition schedule, competition formats, and alternative solutions for next season.
- 2019 Meeting Notes (Pages 4 -5)
- 2020 Meeting Agenda (Page 6 -7)
 - Let us know if there are additional agenda items

10AM – General Membership Meeting

- Anyone can attend this meeting
- In order to vote for the Board positions, a USTA Professional membership and a CBC membership is required.
- All voters will be have their membership validated before the start of the voting process.
- 2019 Meeting Notes (Pages 8 – 9)
- 2020 Meeting Agenda (Pages 10-11)
 - Let us know if there are additional agenda items

12 PM - 2020/2021 Board Meeting

- This meeting is limited to the newly elected Board Officers
- Agenda will be emailed after the General Membership and before the start of the Board Meeting.

We appreciate your patience and understanding as we walk through this new process during this unprecedented time in our history. As previously stated, we are working closely with USTA to ensure that the Zoom meeting and voting process is validated and we will continue to share information as it becomes available.

Ready, Set... ***TWIRL!!***

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Zoom Information...Topic: Kristine Rodrigues' Zoom Meeting
Time: Aug 1, 2020 09:00 AM Pacific Time (US and Canada)
Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87921723861?pwd=dXlxRHJ2ZmJwT1RIWHNTMGJ0N1INZz09>

Meeting ID 879 2172 3861
Password – 666607

<https://www.pennlive.com/coronavirus/2020/04/zoom-meeting-etiquette-15-tips-and-best-practices-for-online-video-conference-meetings.html>

<https://www.technology.pitt.edu/blog/zoom-tips>

USTA California Baton Council

Competition Director Meeting

September 14th 2019

Minutes

1. Opening @ 9:25
2. Roll Call & Remarks - In attendance: Kristine Rodrigues, Tina Allman, Kaleo Crawford, Irene Mazzini, Kellie Donovan-Perelman, Mark & Ella Nash, Jeanne Di Paola (proxy for Paige Campell) Jennifer Sawin, Berta Lane Catreena Johnson, Jennifer Young.
Remarks - Kristine Thanks Kellie for being flexible to switch contest dates with Nash Twirling. Kellie will not lose her normal contest rotation position.
3. New Business
 - a. 2019 - 2020 California Baton Council Parade of Tournaments

1. December 14th	Revolution - Sacramento Area
2. January 17-19th	Pan Pacific - Red Deer, Canada
3. February 8th	Buckeye Cuties - Redding
4. March 14th	NTA - Lincoln/Sacramento Area
5. March 27th - 29th	US Trials - Cincinnati, Ohio
6. April 4th	Valley Baton
7. April 25th	PHMC - CBC location TBD
8. May 16-17th	State - CBC location TBD
9. June TBD	Western Regional - location TBD
10. July 14-18th	National Championship - Stockton CA
 - b. Snack Bar Assignments
 1. PHMC - Revolution
 2. States- Buckeye Cuties

Irene would like to see if Kellie is available to switch snack bar contests. Kellie is willing to switch if States is held in Sacramento area.
 - c. Competition Directors Packet
 1. Edits - Mark has a list of edits; He would also like to see a list of FAQ & new director info sheet of Do's & Dont's. Kristine asks him to email her the edits. She will update the Contest Directors handbook & will send out revisions.
 - d. Entry Forms -
 1. Paige would like to see an online entry form. Kellie thinks its possible to use a google docs form. Mark suggests to contact Monica Lee to help with online entries. Kristine will reach out to Monica. Mark would like to see a revision to the 50/50 IC fund. (* Arriving mid meeting Krystal Mignone) Krystal stated the the IC fund was set up as an fundraiser for athletes.

4. Open Forum - Kellie would like to see the schedule & logistics of contest day flow better, suggesting the Freestyle Event go before Teams. This would allow Team athletes to arrive at a later time. Ella would like to change the entire contest day, in her opinion, changing the layout of the day to accommodate the younger athletes would be more beneficial. Ella suggested to not hold compulsories at lunch, but rather at the beginning of the day. Kristine suggests to hold compulsories at the end of the day. Kellie stated most foundation athletes do not do compulsories. Kristine suggests the contest day could look like; teams, foundations, individual events, freestyle & compulsories. Kellie willing to try, however the suggested layout will make contest day longer. Irene is against changing day. Mark suggests having a designated lane for compulsories. Kellie suggests having a list of all judges who will be willing to just compulsories. Kellie purposes the contest day to look like this;

Teams, foundations, individual events, freestyle, *artistic twirl pairs at lunch, compulsories to be run all day in designated lane. This purposed schedule to be tested Dec-Mar and to be re-evaluated at March CBC meeting after Buckeye Cuties contest in Redding.

Paige would like to see a BOLD or Announcement/Signage signifying the CA State contest., such as a giant 'Welcome To CA States'.

5. Closing - Meeting adjourned @ 10:20am

**USTA California Baton Council
Competition Director Meeting
August 1, 2020
Via Zoom**

1) Open Comment/Remarks

2) Roll Call/Attendance Notation

3) New Business:

a) Couple of options

- Schedule as if no longer health & safety issues
- Plan B
- Plan C

b) 2019-2020 CA Baton Council Parade of Tournaments:

- December 14th Revolution - Sacto Area
- January 17-18th Pan Pacific - Red Deer, Canada
- February 8th Buckeye Cuties - Redding Area
- ~~March 14th Nash Twirling Academy - Lincoln/Sacto Area~~
- ~~March 27-29th US Trials - Cincinnati, Ohio~~
- ~~April 4th Valley Baton Club~~
- ~~April 25th PHMC CBC - TBD~~
- ~~May 16-17th State CBC - TBD~~
- ~~June TBD Western Region - TBD~~
- ~~July 15-18th National Championships - Stockton!!!~~

c) 2020-2021 CA Baton Council Parade of Tournaments:

- Revolution - Sacto Area
- Buckeye Cuties - Redding Area
- Nash Twirling Academy - Lincoln/Sacto Area
- Is this occurring? US Trials - Unknown location
- Valley Baton Club
- PHMC CBC - TBD
- May 15-16th State CBC - TBD
- June TBD Western Region - TBD
- July 6th - 10th National Championships - Daytona Beach

d) Other options/ideas for Plan B.

e) Snack Bar Assignments:

- PHMC
- State

4) Competition Director's Packet:

(1) Edits

(2) Items carried over to new Board for decision

(3) Finalize

(4) On-line

5) Entry Forms:

6) Open forum:

a) Any items carried over to new Board for decision

7) Closing Remarks/Comments

USTA California Baton Council
General Membership Meeting
September 14th, 2019

MINUTES

1. Opening @ 10:25
2. Roll Call - In attendance - Kristine Rodrigues, Tina Allman, Kaleo Crawford, Irene Mazzini, Jennifer Young, Kellie Donovan-Perelman, Jeanne DiPaola, Jennifer Sawin, Yvette Dooms, Matt & Jana Mayer, Michelle Steihl, Mark & Ella Nash, Berta Lane, Catreena Johnson, Karla Hubbel, Kurtis Hubbel, Krystal Mignone, Alex Garibay, Sandi Rios, Shelly Sherman
3. Minutes from 2018 review -
 - a. Review & Edits - Correction of spelling of Catreena & Alex's name
 - b. Approval of Minutes - Motion by Berta Lane, 2nd by Tina - Approved
4. Old Business
 - a. 2018 - 2019 BC Competition Reports:
 - i. PHMC -
 1. Contest went very well
 - ii. 2019 State Championship
 1. Member feedback: Kristine addressed the council regarding the hiccup/breakdown of communication the board received prior to the start to the contest. Kristine apologized about the hiccup and praised the board and our CBC volunteers for coming together and successfully handling the CA State contest. She let our board members know that many attempts have been made to communicate with Sarah Enos, the 2018/2019 CBC Vice President regarding her position as Contest Director of States and not effectively letting the CBC know she would not be at states. As a board, we will move forward from this. Kristine said the board has learned many lessons from this, and will establish new guidelines so this cannot happen again.

Member feedback: No decor signifying this contest was a 'State Contest'. No awards, awards that were there, not quality. No steps for placement, frustration felt from members. Also praise from members thanking every member for stepping up to the challenge. Members not happy with T shirt design and wants a professionally designed CA State T-shirt . Amid the frustration, one member stated that we are all volunteers and wear many hats. For those who stepped up, great job and let's move forward from this. Kristine thanked all members for the feedback.

Suggestions for awards/medallions. Members would like to see more awards given out. By doing this, it goes a long way with all the athletes.
 - b. 2018-2019 Workshops - 10 participants attended the masters workshop. Thank you to Krystal for her efforts.
 - c. Updates/feedback from Western Regionals/ Nationals/ IC & Grand Prix. Kristine suggests to contact each contest director to voice any concerns/comments. Keeping this meeting a CBC meeting.
5. Treasures Report:
 - a. Tina said the accountant has the CBC books & a report will be sent out once the books are back.
 - b. IC funds were distributed to the athletes attending IC at the CA State Contest.

6. Election of Board Officers 2020

- a. Responsibilities
- b. Nominations -

i. President Nominations; Kristine Rodrigues nominated by Berta Lane, 2nd by Irene Mazzini. Mark Nash nominated by Kurtis Hubbell, 2nd by Shelly. Votes counted, Kristine won presidential election.

ii. Vice President Nominations; Catreena Johnson nominated by Tina Allman, 2nd by Mark Nash. Jeanne DiPaola nominated by Irene Mazzini, 2nd by Jennifer Young. Mark Nash was nominated by Kristine Rodrigues, 2nd by Shelly Sherman. Catreena won vice presidential election.

iii. Secretary officer - no new nominations, no opposition. Kaleo Crawford will remain as Secretary.

iv. Treasure officer - no new nominations, no opposition. Tina Allman will remain the Treasurer.

7. Election of Remaining Board Members.

1. New Board Members: Irene Mazzini, Jeanne DiPaola, Jennifer Young, Alex Garibay, Berta Lane, Yvette Doods, Shelly Sherman, Mark Nash. All voted into role – no opposition.

8. Nominations for Standing Committee

- a. Membership- Kaleo
- b. Coaches/Judges Workshop - Kristine
- c. Council Contests
- d. Tabulation Workshop/Meeting/Training - Jeanne
- e. Public Relations- Tina
- f. Budget & Finance - Tina
- g. Photography - Lee Young
- h. Website Coordination
- i. Minute to Spin it - Paige
- j. Compulsories Events -
- k. Inventory - Kaleo
- l. Hospitality - Berta & Kaleo
- m. Wow Twirler - Jeanne
- n. NBTA/CBC Bridge

9. Open Forum

a. Sandi Rios shared USTA updates. New Age going into effect as of 9/1/19. IC New Age 12/31/19. USTA new rule is that athletes can only enter one level above their own. USTA will also add the Novice category to FOF. Parade Corp/Show Crop is now Entertainment, with a 10 member minimum.

IC now to be called Nations Cup, which will consider sending 'B' athletes. Reduction of the number of athletes from 6 to 2. World Championships to send 2 - 3 athletes. 2 for 'B' athletes and 3 for elite athletes.

A big thank you to Sandi Rios for sharing this new information.

10. Closing - Catreena motions to close meeting, Kristine 2nds motion.

- 1. Meeting adjourned @ 12:25

USTA California Baton Council
General Membership Meeting
August 1, 2020
Via Zoom

1) Opening Comments/Remarks:

2) Roll Call

3) Minutes from 2019 General Membership Meeting

- a) Review
- b) Approve

4) Old Business:

a) 2019-2020 CBC Competition Reports:

~~i) PHMC:~~

~~(1) Membership Feedback~~

~~ii) State Championship:~~

~~(1) Membership Feedback~~

~~b) 2019-2020 Workshops~~

~~c) Updates/feedback from Western Regional Championships, National Championships, IC/Grand Prix Championships~~

d) Any other old business?

5) Treasurer's Report for 2019 Season:

- IC \$\$ - status amounts

6) Election of Board Officers 2020

- Responsibilities:
 - Assist with competitions.
 - Helping out where needed
 - Garner volunteers
 - Participation in meetings
 - Participation in email communications
 - Positive Role Model for our future leaders
 - Positive Role model for furthering our sport of baton twirling

2) Overview of Process due to Zoom/Social Distancing

- Confirm USTA Membership
- Confirm CBC Membership
- Nominations:
 - President:
 - Vice-President:
 - Secretary:
 - Treasurer:
- Voting of Nominations for Board Officers

3) Election of Remaining Board Members

- Responsibilities
 - USTA Membership, Council Membership, Meeting Attendance, Email correspondence participation, help with further purpose of Council, assist in smooth running competitions, hold of position (photography, contest director, website, etc.)
 - Up to 3 Board Members can be parents, rest of Members must be USTA coaches and judges.
 - USTA Representative (Sandi Rios, Executive Director) and prior year President are automatically allowed to vote on Board
- Nominations for Board Members:
- Voting for Board Members

7) Nominations for Standing Committee Chairs

- a) Membership:
- b) Coaches/Judges Workshops:
- c) Council Contests, if applicable:
- d) Tabulation Workshop/Meeting/Training, if applicable
- e) Public Relations (Facebook, MailChimp):
- f) Budget & Finance (Yearly Audit): Tina to send to CPA
- g) Photography:
- h) Website coordination:
 - i) # of website hits.... New pictures
 - ii) New pictures
 - iii) Picture/Bio of the Board members
- i) Minute to Spin It
- j) Compulsory Events
- k) Inventory
- l) Hospitality
- m) NBTA/CBC Bridge

8) Open Forum

- a) Any items carried over to new Board for decision?

9) Closing Comments/Remarks:

READY, SET...TWIRL!!