



The Connection

Attendees: Connection Leaders Attending and Presenting at National Meeting

Date: Tuesday, June 7, 2022

Time: 12:00 PM EST- 1:15 PM EST

Committee Chair: Becky Herrera

Committee Secretary: Bethe Beaver

Roll Call : Daney Soto-Barreto, Bethe Beaver, Levon Burton, Lindsey Farris, Becky Herrera, Shauna Holm, Katrina Huberts, Jennifer Koonce, Nicole Leago, Joseph McGibboney, Kathy Penree, Melissa Strong, Alexis Trost, Sheila Trost, David Tu, and Chris York

Committee Charter: *The USASF Connection is the path for involvement for member program owners and coaches. The Connection provides opportunities to collaborate, contribute, share resources and mentor USASF members, all in an effort to promote the longevity and viability of All Star*

Previous Minutes Approved:

Agenda Topics: National Meeting

Next Meeting: Tuesday, July 12th @ 2:00 PM EST

- I. Welcome – Becky Herrera
 - A. Thank you for being with us.
 - B. Today’s meeting is focused primarily on the National Meeting and our social activities while in Chicago.

- II. DEIS Update – Kinshasa via Becky
 - A. The DEIS Toolkit is complete and everyone is very excited about the work that has been done and what we are offering to our USASF member Clubs.
 - B. Connection Leaders will received a copy of the toolkit via email, and the program will be rolled out to everyone at the National Meeting.

- III. National Meeting Schedule – Shauna Holm
 - A. Shauna has updated the Master Schedule. It will be posted in the Connection Leaders and 2022 National Meeting Band Apps for review.



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B. Please review the schedule ASAP!!

If you are scheduled for something you are not comfortable teaching or if there is a class you really want to offer – let Shauna know no than *Thursday, June 9th* so she can make the updates.

C. The EXPO

1. Connection Leaders will be needed to help with the Expo Friday evening between 5:30 PM – 10:30 AM, Saturday morning between 9AM – 9:45 AM, and again Saturday afternoon between 11:45 AM – 2:30 PM.

2. Becky will be posting and asking for volunteers in the Band Apps.

3. The Saturday times overlap with the Regional Assemblies, so Connection Leaders will be able to help with the Expo and attend their regional meetings.

D. Free Time for Connection Leaders

1. Connection Leaders will have more time this year to attend and participate in classes this year.

2. Shauna may need to pull some people from time to time to help, but otherwise - when not assigned to a specific class – please attend the class of your choice.

3. Having Connection Leaders in class – still learning and asking questions - is great “modeling” for the other coaches in attendance.

E. The PUMP Class – putting the STAR back into All Star.

1. Becky has been asked to take the lead on this class, and again – she may be asking...she will be asking/voluntolding other Connection Leaders to assist her.

2. We want this class to fun, motivational and exciting...as it leads right into Ali and Kathy taking the stage!



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- IV. Handouts and Power Points
 - A. Presenters may use their own computers when presenting this year. This will be an easier for everyone and presenters will have familiarity with their device.
 - B. Please send all documents/handouts you have for the attendees to Renee. She will upload into the BAND App for easy access while at the meeting and once attendees have returned home.
 - C. Shauna did not set a deadline for submission, but the sooner the better. We will have the ability to make changes and add information to the Band App while at the meeting. Renee, again, will be our contact.
 - D. Business Casual is requested for all presenters.
- V. IMPACT AND BOLT are available on location and at National Meeting.
 - A. Chris York gave a big shout out to Kinshasa and to everyone involved with these two opportunities. They had an inperson session at his gym yesterday, and he stated that he could already see a difference in his athletes and Club.
 - B. Both classes are being offered as add on sessions to all attendees at the National Meeting – and he encouraged everyone to take the time and invest.
 - C. Added bonus – these classes are available at no additional cost to Athletes and Junior Coaches.
- VI. Peer to Peer Mentoring – Nicole Leago-Devall
Nicole is working on the logistics and parameters for Peer to Peer Mentoring sessions while at the National Meeting. Check the Band App for updates.
- VII. Social Activities for Connection Leaders
 - A. David and Chris are working on a few opportunities for the Connection Leaders.
 - B. Keep checking the BAND App for events and respond when needed so arrangements can be made for all who want to participate.



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VIII. Registration for the 2022-23 USASF Season

- A. Several Connection Leaders have already started the registration process at their clubs, and the feedback from everyone so far has been that it is easy.
- B. Melissa Strong reported that she typically gets emails from parents asking for help and she has not received any so far this season.
- C. Sheila Trost also reported success and awarded a free pool party to the first team that completed the process.
- D. Daney Soto-Barreto shared that she had her entire staff complete the process together at their last staff meeting...great idea!
- E. We did have one report that Personnel Members are having issues completing Safe@AllStar, so that is being investigated.

**Final reminder to keep checking your email and the Connection Leaders BAND app for updates on the schedule.

We will see everyone in Chicago in a couple of weeks.



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