High Performance Committee Minutes

3.19.2022

Attendance
Wyatt Allen
Liam Corrigan
Yaz Farooq
Nobuhisa Ishizuka
Genevra Stone
Josy Verdonkschot
Stephen Hap Whelpley

Agenda
Discussion of the HPC Charter and its role for the CHPO and USRowing.
Appointment of an HPC Chair.
Discussion of potential selection camp lead coaches and selectors.

HPC Charter & Role of HPC

With new representatives onboard and changes made to the HPC charter, the meeting commenced with a brief discussion reviewing the refinement of the HPC Charter and how the HPC will interface with Josy, the CHPO. Members of the committee will have their terms reviewed at the following times:

Yaz & Wyatt - 2024
Gevvie & Liam - 2025
Hap - 2022

The updated Charter in discussion is found here:
https://usrowing.org/documents/2022/3/2/Revised_HPC_Charter_Comparite_2_28_22.pdf

Appointment of Chair

With a new composition, the HPC must appoint a chair to be the point person for the committee, the CHPO, the CEO, the board of directors and other third parties. The chair will be responsible for, among other things, calling, organizing, and recording meetings. Athlete representatives that are still competing are ineligible to serve as a chair of the committee.

After some discussion, the HPC selected Stephen Hap Whelpley as the chair for the committee.

Discussion of Selection Camp Candidates

After reviewing Josy's plan for the summer, Josy consulted the HPC regarding potential appointments to the Selection Panels for the first selection camps of the year in May. Separate camps will be held for the men and women. Presently, Sacramento is in consideration for the men's camp, and Mercer is in consideration for the women's camp. However, these locations are not confirmed at this time.

Each camp will require a Selection Panel consisting of two lead coaches (one sweep, one scull) and a selector. This would make for two Selection Panels, or 6 positions total with 3 at each camp (2 lead coaches, 1 selector).

The HPC engaged in a full discussion of potential candidates with an eye towards the practical considerations of location and timing. With the early camps being held in May, it was agreed that it would be difficult to enlist the support and involvement of collegiate coaches, who will still be in season.

The discussion concluded with an opportunity for the HPC members to voice any concerns or considerations that should be taken into account in connection with the appointments. The HPC emphasized the need to both carefully choose selectors and clearly define the position in order to set the appropriate tone and expectations for the future.