

Agenda

Emergency Meeting of the USA Fencing Board of Directors

August 13, 2021 at 3:00 pm ET via Teleconference
1-877-805-0965 Passcode: 2478629

I. Call to Order

General Announcements

Remarks – Peter Burchard, President

Conflict of Interest announcement.

II. New Business

Motion (Mr. Burchard): In response, the president makes the following motions:

1. Within fifteen days, form a Fencing SafeSport Task Force to study the efficiency and efficacy of SafeSport and evaluate other measures for protecting our members and athletes of USA Fencing. This Task Force shall be drawn from the membership-at-large and must be independent of the current USA Fencing officers and directors. The Fencing SafeSport task force will contact other Olympic sports to encourage them to form SafeSport Task Forces and provide their own recommendations. There will be a 60-day period from appointment to form and report preliminary concerns and recommendations
2. USA Fencing will ask SafeSport to provide anonymized copies of open complaints involving USA Fencing members, including date of complaint, seriousness of allegations by category, and will request ongoing supplementation every six months.
3. Implement a communications platform for our membership to provide comments, suggestions, and feedback for anything related to SafeSport. Initially, this data will be used by the USA Fencing SafeSport Task Force for its recommendations.
4. Mandatory SafeSport training for all members of USA Fencing, including children.
 1. Logic: All must be trained to recognize when abuse occurs, whether they are directly involved, or are witness to it. (children's training is free).
 2. Link to SafeSport for children: <https://athletesafety.org/training/index>

III. Recess