## RICHARD WEISS

## **BOARD OF DIRECTOR CANDIDATE**

I BELIEVE MY LONG-TIME INVOLVEMENT AS A USA FENCING DIVISION CHAIR, NATIONAL RESOURCE COMMITTEE, TASK FORCE, AND NATIONAL BOUT COMMITTEE MEMBER, UNIQUELY QUALIFIES ME TO SERVE AS YOUR NEXT "AT LARGE" MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

I HAVE BEEN AND WILL ALWAYS BE AN ALLY AND ADVOCATE FOR THOSE WHO NEED US MOST AND WILL ALWAYS WORK HARD TO MAKE USA FENCING A SAFE PLACE FOR ALL WHO WISH TO COMPETE.



## I PROPOSED THESE PRIORITIES TO THE USA FENCING BOARD OF DIRECTORS NOMINATION COMMITTEE:

- CONTINUE TO IMPROVE FENCESAFE TRANSPARENCY -- SIGNIFICANT PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE OVER THE LAST SIX MONTHS BUT SIGNIFICANT WORK STILL NEEDS TO BE DONE.
- INCREASE LOCAL TOURNAMENT PARTICIPATION -- PRIORITIZE AS AN ORGANIZATION THE WORK WE DO WITH OUR DIVISIONS, COLLEGE CLUBS, AND MEMBER CLUBS TO SUPPORT THE GROWTH OF FENCING FOR EVERYONE LOCALLY.
- SUPPORT FOR THE SAFE GROWTH, DEVELOPMENT, AND RETENTION OF OUR AMAZING REFEREE COMMUNITY AS WE NAVIGATE THE COMPLEXITIES OF LOCAL, REGIONAL, NATIONAL, AND INTERNATIONAL EVENT CALENDARS.

## I AM PROUD TO LIST THE FOLLOWING "EXPERIENCE" WITH USA FENCING:

- USA FENCING DIVISION RESOURCES COMMITTEE MEMBER (REGION 6) SINCE 2014
- USA FENCING FENCESAFE COMMITTEE MEMBER SINCE 2016
- NATIONAL BOUT COMMITTEE STAFF/CHAIR 2011-2014, 2018-CURRENT
- VIRGINIA DIVISION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBER 2010-2016, 2018-CURRENT: CHAIR 2012-2016, 2018-CURRENT
- USA FENCING SERVICE TO DIVISIONS AWARD WINNER 2019
- USA FENCING SPIRIT OF THE SPORT WINNER 2021-22
- ORGANIZER AND BOUT COMMITTEE CHAIR OF MULTIPLE REGIONAL TOURNAMENTS (ROCS, RYC/RJCCS, AND SYCS)

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