

**USA Ultimate
Board of Directors Special Meeting
Virtual/Via Zoom
August 20, 2024**

(11) Directors Present:

DeAnna Ball (Appointed)
Isaiah Bryant (At-Large)
Dr. Tom Crawford (CEO)
Caleb Denecour (Elite Athlete)
Jimmy Donnellon (Secretary)
Mike Edmonds (Independent, Treasurer) – Not present for the vote
Janna Hamaker (At-Large)
Dave Klink (President)
Benecia Newhouse (Independent)
Chris Novielli (At-Large)
Ben Van Heuvelen (Elite Athlete)

(2) Directors Not Present:

Leslie Gamez (Independent, Vice President)
Pawel Janas (Elite Athlete)

Meeting Called to order 3:04 MT

1. **Objective of the Special Meeting:** To give USAU representatives direction on how to vote at the WFDF Annual Congress on motion that was submitted by the Indonesia Flying Disc Federation: **“In view of the ‘plausible’ genocide in Gaza, Congress resolves that WFDF should update its November 2023 statement in line with the toll of the ongoing war, and call for a ceasefire.”**
 - a. Discussion:
 - i. Dave Klink, Ben Van Heuvelen, and Chris Novielli: Provided an update on their meeting with the Team USA athletes concerned about this issue.
 - ii. Tom Crawford: Provided an update on the WFDF position, background on a previous political statement and the current statement WFDF has made about calling for peace.
 - b. Jimmy Donnellon moves for USAU to vote no on the Gaza motion, but also for USAU’s representative at the WFDF Congress to make a statement for the record, to be drafted by Ben Van Heuvelen, Dave Klink, Caleb Denecour, Chris Novielli, and Jimmy Donnellon.
 - c. Caleb Denecour seconds
 - d. **Motion passes (5-4)**

Meeting adjourned by Dave Klink at 4:16 pm MT (Dave Klink move, Benecia Newhouse second)