

UNITED STATES BOWLING CONGRESS
Board of Directors Meeting
Arlington, TX
August 30, 2025

A meeting of the United States Bowling Congress Board of Directors took place on August 30, 2025 in Arlington, TX following notice duly provided. Present throughout, except as indicated, were President Dennis Hacker, Vice President Mike Cannington, Glenda Beckett, Zach Boulanger, Stephanie Dyson, Christopher Floyd, David Haynes, Chrissie Kent, Chrissy Lee, Matthew Orvis, Nick Pate, Kristopher Prather, Nathan Shock, Mark VanMeter, Matthew Voltz and Cheryl Younger.

Tyler Herreman, Kevin Krauss, Shannon Pluhowsky, and Matthew Russo were unable to attend this meeting and excused.

The attending board members constituted a quorum of the Board under USBC Bylaws.

Others in attendance were: Executive Director Chad Murphy, Deputy Executive Director Jason Overstreet, Managing Director Mike Larsen, Senior Director of Marketing Roger Noordhoek, Senior Director of Equipment Specifications Tom Frenzel, Equipment Specifications Committee members Karl Kielich and Melissa McDaniel, Technical Advisor Scott Sterbenz and Legal Counsel Scott Beightol. The minutes were recorded by Jason Overstreet.

Call to Order/Declaration of Conflicts

President Hacker called the meeting to order at 8:50 AM Central Time.

Board members Nick Pate, Kris Prather, David Haynes disclosed conflicts related to bowling ball regulations. All did not feel a need to recuse themselves from any agenda item.

Consent Agenda

A motion was properly made and seconded to approve the Consent Agenda which consisted of the following items.

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A motion was made and properly seconded to approve.

Urethane Bowling Balls

Chad Murphy presented an overview of the history and governance of urethane bowling balls.

Executive Session

The meeting moved to Executive Session to discuss confidential legal matters with legal counsel. (9:15 am CT)

The Board, by motion and vote, exited the Executive Session and returned to regular session (3:25 pm CT)

The following motion was made and properly seconded:

The USBC Board recommends the Equipment Specifications Committee revise the Manual, and the USBC Staff revise the Playing Rules to implement discussed amendments to the Manual and to the certain National Tournament rules related to slow oil-absorbing high-performance bowling balls

Motion approved unanimously.

Committee Roster Adjustments

President Hacker presented a revised committee assignment list to the board for approval.

A motion was made and properly seconded to approve. Motion approved unanimously.

Board of Director Member Prather exited the meeting due to travel schedule.

Executive Director Report

Jason Overstreet presented USBC's Certification Renewal Report from the United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee. The USOPC's Certification Review Group (CRG) renewed USBC as the certified National Governing Body (NGB) for the sport of bowling within the United States.

New Business

Overstreet presented an update to USBC's Gender Classification Policy for consideration. The update adds a new Section C. to the policy with policy language mandated by USOPC.

A motion was made and properly seconded to approve the updated Gender Classification Policy as presented to comply with USOPC mandate. Motion approved unanimously.

Old Business

No actions taken

Adjournment

President Hacker adjourned the meeting at 4:00pm