



USEF Board of Directors Seat – Alternate USOPC AAC Athlete Representative

Summary of Job Duties

The Board of Directors is responsible for the development USEF's strategic direction and shall set policy and delegate the responsibility for implementation to the Chief Executive Officer and staff. Except as otherwise provided by the bylaws, the Board of Directors shall have all governance, supervising, and administrative authority of USEF. The Board's authority and responsibilities are detailed in Bylaw 301.

Athlete Representatives are expected to maintain communication with the USEF AAC and help ensure a strong and effective athlete voice in USEF governance.

The Alternate USOPC AAC Representative is expected to attend any scheduled USOPC AAC meetings if the AAC Representative is unable to attend. The AAC Representative may be replaced by his or her alternate if the representative fails to attend three consecutive AAC meetings for any reason or at least half of scheduled AAC meetings in any two-year period during the quadrennium, per Section III of AAC Bylaws.

For more detailed information about the USOPC AAC see <https://www.teamusa.org/Team-USA-Athlete-Services/Athletes-Advisory-Council>

Requirements

The Board of Directors meets six times per year. Two of these meetings are in-person. One is the Annual Meeting in January and the other is the Mid-Year meeting. The remaining four meetings are conducted via video platform throughout the year.

Attendance

Attendance is critical. USEF Bylaws mandate that any Athlete Director who misses an Annual Meeting and Mid-Year Meeting in the same year vacate the seat.

Term

This seat has 3 years left in the term. If the elected athlete meets the eligibility criteria at the end of their term, they can serve for a successive four-year term.

Eligibility

The USOPC requires the athlete serving in this role to be the opposite gender of the AAC Representative, who is currently female. Thus, this position can only be filled by a male athlete meeting the criteria below.

The Alternate USOPC AAC Athlete Representative must qualify as a 10-Year Athlete Representative: For purposes of this particular seat, a 10-Year Athlete Representative is an athlete who has represented the United States in one of the following non-age restricted Olympic or Paralympic events within the 10 years preceding election or appointment:

1. a Delegation Event (Olympic, Paralympic, Pan Am, ParaPan); or
2. an Elite Protected Competition defined by the Federation AAC and approved by the USOPC NGB Athlete Representation Review Working Group, which includes*:
 - FEI World Equestrian Games;
 - FEI World Championships;
 - FEI World Cup Finals;
 - FEI Nations Cup (Jumping 4* or 5*); or
 - FEI CPEDI (3* and higher)