

**MINUTES**  
**SPECIAL MEETING OF**  
**THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF**  
**THE UNITED STATES BRIDGE FEDERATION**

**5/3/2005**  
**8 PM CST**  
**VIA CONFERENCE CALL**

Directors Present: Steve Beatty, Marvin Comer, Bob Hamman (by proxy to Steve Beatty), Jan Martel, Rose Meltzer, and Bill Pollack

Others Present: Gary Blaiss, Joan Gerard, Peter Rank, Steve Weinstein

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by President Jan Martel

**II. ATTENDANCE: ESTABLISH QUORUM**

The chairman noted that at least a majority of the directors were present at the meeting, thus establishing a quorum for the purpose of transacting business by the Board.

**III. AUGMENTATION PROCEDURE**

After considerable discussion, the Board voted 4-2 to use the procedure that had been approved at its last meeting for this year and to discuss a different approach for next year. The specific language of the Augmentation section of the USBF General Conditions of Contest was revised to provide that if a team requested a specific player or players and all of the members of the USBF Credentials Committee approved, the normal augmentation procedure would not be used. Augmentation procedure language attached as Exhibit A.

**IV. CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

The Board accepted the recommendations of the ITTC, WITTC & SITTC, except that no more than one member of a family should serve. Jan will email the proposed members of the committee and report back on who has agreed to serve.

**V. WAGERING**

The Board decided to defer any decisions regarding wagering on USBF events to a future meeting.

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.