# **Q3 KS Fencing Meeting**

August 6, 2025 Central Resources Library

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1. Meeting called to order at 6:03pm by Grady R.

## 2. Financial report by Steve Wildman:

- 1. Our current balance is still \$7479.54.
- Steve noted that he needed additional information to identify specific Stripe based transactions. Grady is going to get additional information to help with that.
- 3. Grady still needs to process refunds from the Summer Nationals Qualifiers.
- 4. Division Officer and Financial form was submitted to the national office by Steve yesterday (August 5, 2025).

#### 3. Old Business:

# 1. Division Equipment

- Most of the division equipment has been returned to the HFA location for storage. There is still one nonfunctional scoring machine. We will discuss when to fix/replace that after the referee (and possibly armorer) clinic is settled as that is a higher priority.
- 2. Sam will follow up with Jordan Billings about getting the division computer.
- 2. Referee Clinic/Armor Clinic Grady will be following up with Emilia Ivanova to try to find a date.
- 3. Division Calendar Grady will be following up on this.

#### 4. New Business

#### 1. Communication

- 1. We are agreed that the email blast through US Fencing is not working for us. We received zero responses to our survey.
- 2. We need to work at the club level to collect email addresses for future communications. Steve W. Has submitted a request through the US

- Fencing web site for a membership list. We will break that down by clubs and approach people to opt in.
- 3. We still need to decide how to manage and use that email list. Tabled until we have more data to work with.

#### 2. Tournament Fees

- 1. In the past, we have collected a small tournament fee (per fencer) from the hosting club for a sanctioned event. We have not done so since at least 2020. We do not intend to start this season but reserve the right to do so in the future. We discussed including this information in an email to be sent to the Division clubs.
- 2. We discussed including the Wichita club in communications just on principle.

# 3. New Transgender Policy

1. Sam mentioned the new USA Fencing transgender and nonbinary policy, pointing out that it is leaving Divisions and clubs open to repercussions if a non-qualified fencer competes in a sanctioned women's event, but the rules as presented do not give us a way to determine who is eligible. (We are expressly prohibited from using the gender information in the national database.)

## 4. Event Sanctioning

1. Steve W. submitted a sanctioning request for the KCF Holiday Tournament the first weekend of December. It was submitted via email to Grady and it was approved.

#### 3. Reminders

- 1. The next scheduled meeting is the Q4 meeting on November 5th, Central Resource Library.
- 2. KCFC Holiday Tournament Dec 6th & 7th, Kansas City Fencing Center.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:46pm.